

The Regular meeting of the McGill Town Council was held on July 18, 2017 at the McGill Community/Senior Center located at the top of Avenue K at 7:00 P.M.

The following McGill Town Council Members were in attendance:

Bob Winder, Chairman
Roxane Ballandby, Vice-Chairperson
Ed Debrutz, Member
Andy McVicars, Member

Absent Council Member: Cynthia Angelopoulos, Member

Also in attendance:

Delores Manchester, secretary
Greg Irby, Parks Crew Leader
Stacy Laird, Business Rep/McGill Revitalization Assoc.

Council Chairman Winder called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Council Member Dubrutz led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Council Chairman Winder called for comments from the audience.
There were no comments at this time.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017 and/or FY2017/2018:

The secretary explained that the fifth street light pole had been struck and damaged during the latter part of June. It will take several months for the invoices and insurance payment to come in, and last year's budget might be closed by then. She used previous repair bills as estimates. She contacted the County Finance Department to ask if they wished the charges to be coded to last year budget, or this year budget. She received an answer this afternoon from the Finance Director stating that she would like the purchase orders coded to this present year's budget.

Purchase Order requests were presented as follows:

Mt. Wheeler Power, Inc.	\$1,055.00
(re-routing of power/turning on and off power)	
JW Electric	\$3,378.14
(street light pole repair or replace)	
Dirt Works	\$1,040.00
(Removal and clean up around street light)	

Council Member McVicars motioned to approve the above listed purchase order requests.

Council Member Dubrutz seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the quorum present.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE ORDERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017/2018:

It was explained that McGill usually presents their purchase order requests at the beginning of the budget year.

Purchase Order requests were presented as follows:

Bradley's Bestway Market	\$2,000.00
(Labor Day Picnic Supplies)	
JW Electric	\$4,000.00
(Street light inventory)	
QUILL	\$ 500.00
(Council minute books)	
JW Electric	\$6,000.00
(repair of street lights with bucket truck)	
Lantis Fireworks & Lasers	\$5,000.00
(Labor Day fireworks)	
Sanitary Septic Services	\$ 540.00

(portable toilets for Labor Day)
Alert-All Corp \$ 500.00
(Fire Prevention school promotions)

Council Vice-Chairperson Ballandby motioned to approve the purchase order requests as listed above.
Council Member Dubrutz seconded the motion.
Motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the quorum present.

QUESTIONS REGARDING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH WPC FOR MAINTENANCE OF MCGILL PARKS:

Council Member Dubrutz explained that he has read the Nevada Revised Statutes for unincorporated towns, and he has read the agreement between McGill Town Council and the White Pine County Maintenance Department for the Interlocal Agreement for the McGill Park Maintenance (more specifically Article II, Section 2.0). He has also read the e-mail from the Deputy District Attorney where he referred to NRS 269.105(1). He does not agree that McGill should have to be responsible for all costs for the Back Flow Valves as presented during the Budget Workshop (estimated at Ball Park - \$4,000; Avenue K Park - \$2,000; First and Avenue K (or Senior Center Park) - \$1,000; and Circle Park - \$4,000). Back Flow Valves are a part of the parks system, but it is also part of the infrastructure, which is what he is questioning why McGill should have to bring it up to code when they are County Parks.

Council Member Dubrutz read a portion of Article II, Section 2.0 of the Interlocal Agreement into the record....

”Any costs associated with specialty equipment, sprayers, fertilizer spreaders, chemicals, fertilizers will be negotiated with the Public Works Department prior to the maintenance cycle. Any construction or alterations to the parks and equipment will require approval of the Public Works Department”.

Council Member Dubrutz requested that a letter be drafted to the District Attorney requesting an Attorney General Opinion why McGill should have to have to pay for the Back Flow Valves for the White Pine County Parks and Senior Center Park. He would also like this letter under the signature of the McGill Town Council Chairman and himself, as a Council Member.

The Council directed the secretary to prepare a draft of this letter for Council Member Dubrutz’ review.

STATUS REPORT ON RENOVATIONS TO KINNEAR LIBRARY BUILDING:

Nothing new to report.

AUTHORIZATION TO HANG A U.S. FLAG, INCLUDING SOLAR LIGHTING, ON MOUNTAIN PEAK OVERLOOKING MCGILL:

Council Member McVicars explained that he has not been able to speak with Ernie Rivera regarding this matter. He has spoken with Kennecott and Chris Collis and has the Council has their full support.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council Vice-Chairperson Ballandby motioned to approve the McGill Town Council minutes dated May 16, 2017.

Council Member McVicars seconded the motion.

Council Member Dubrutz abstained from voting due to being absent from that meeting.

Motion was carried by a majority vote of the quorum present.

Council Member McVicars motioned to approve the McGill Town Council minutes dated June 20, 2017.

Council Member Dubrutz seconded the motion.

Council Chairman Winder abstained from voting due to being absent from that meeting.

Motion was carried by a majority vote of the quorum present.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Correspondence received or mailed since the previous meeting were listed as follows:

1. Neighborhood Watch Bicycle Rodeo flyers, certificates, and letter of announcement.
2. List of Park duties.
3. McGill Ruth Water agenda.
4. Neighborhood Watch monthly report.
5. Letter to McGill Ruth Water GID thanking them for activities donation.
6. Secretary monthly report.

7. Letter to Woody Robinson thanking him for his years of service.
8. Memo to WPC Sheriff regarding nuisance abatements complaints.
9. Memo to WPC Public Works regarding yield/stop signs.
10. Letter to Bill Miller thanking him for his years of service to McGill.
11. Sympathy letter to Greg Irby, Parks Employee.

APPROVAL OF BILLS/AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE:

The following bills were read into the record.

OPI	\$ 29.99
(monthly copy machine contract)	
Chris's Service, Inc.	\$ 307.30
(parks gasoline)	
Bath Lumber	\$1,403.68
(Parks operating supplies - \$926.16)	
(Parks repair & maintenance - \$477.52)	
Greg Irby, (Parks Crew Leader)	\$ 39.98
(reimbursement for 2 solenoids)	
WPC IT – McAfee	\$ 89.99
(internet security renewal)	
(NOTE: this was paid by WPC IT, just needs to be approved)	

Council Vice-Chairperson Ballandby motioned to approve the bills as read.

Council Member McVicars seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by unanimous vote of the quorum present.

NUISANCE ABATEMENTS:

Stacy Laird, Business Rep, reported that there have been a lot of items being thrown out on the Old Highway (commonly known as Mary Fields Road). Items being thrown are old appliances, junk, and dead animals. Because the location where the trash is being thrown is outside the boundaries of McGill, Joni Drahos is also reporting this to Nevada Department of Wildlife.

ANIMALS AT LARGE/VICIOUS DOGS:

Nothing to report.

PARK MAINTENANCE:

Greg Irby, Parks Crew Leader, addressed the Council explaining that he is a little behind this week with his park duties because he had been gone for several days on bereavement leave. He needs to get more bark for the Avenue K Park. He has had problems with the water timers and discovered that he needed to obtain solenoids, he replaced the solenoids and the timers are working now. He needs to research the internet about the timers at the Ball Field so he can fix them, as well. He has distributed weed and feed and the parks are getting greener. He found it necessary to terminate the assistant parks person because of an incident at Bradley's Bestway Market.

Council Chairman Winder reported that Greg Irby is doing a great job working at the parks in McGill. He would recommend that Greg Irby receive a salary increase, and the Council also needs to approve the Personnel Action form for Dennis "Woody" Robinson.

Council Member Dubruz motioned to approve the following Personnel Action Forms:

 Dennis "Woody" Robinson – resignation

 Dennis Brooks – termination

 Greg Irby – reclassification of existing salary

Council Member McVicars seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the quorum present.

Council Chairman Winder pointed out there is now only 1 parks employee. If Crew Leader Irby gets overwhelmed, his is to let the Town Council know so they can schedule some help.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The secretary reported that she has not received the new 2017/2018 budget from WP Finance yet. She provided copies for the Council for the Fiscal Year 2016/2017 ending budget. That report shows that the budget is 100%,

with 84% of the revenues coming in, and with 49% spent. There are still some outstanding expenditures, but McGill is ending that budget year in the black.

FIRE/EMT REPORTS:

Council Member Dubrutz recalled that McGill Fire Chief Garcia had provided the Council with 3 draft copies of the Interlocal Agreement between White Pine County and the City of Ely. Noting that he has studied all 3 of the draft proposed agreements. He does not agree with the idea of combining these services. The way he is reading this, everybody will be charged for the services they receive. He feels that McGill, as a governing body, and other communities are being left out of the loop, and he would like correspondence sent to the BOCC noting McGill's concerns.

The Council directed the secretary to prepare the above requested correspondence.

STREET LIGHTS:

Council Chairman Winder reported the following street lights requiring service: Between Avenue Q and N on North Fourth Street (Street Light #5) – Circle Drive - #17 Sixth Street - Avenue G & Fourth Street - #26 Third Street - #52 North Third Street - #55 North Third Street.

STREETS & STREET SIGNS:

Nothing to report.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM:

It was reported there had been 8 persons in attendance at the last McGill Neighborhood Watch meeting, with the main topic of the meeting was planning for the Second Annual Bicycle Rodeo that was being held on July 15th.

YOUTH/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Council Member McVicars reported there are no activities being planned right now. However, they are beginning to put together their plans for the Labor Day festivities.

BUSINESS PLAN/McGILL MERCHANTS REPORTS:

Nothing new to report.

KINNEAR LIBRARY/CULTURAL CENTER REPORT:

Nothing new to report.

McGILL REVITALIZATION ASSOCIATION:

Stacy Laird, MRA, reported that the committee is beginning their planning for the Labor Day festivities. They are working on a raffle for a trip to Wendover.

McGILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT WOMEN'S AUXILIARY:

Nothing new to report.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Council Chairman Winder called for any further comments from the audience.

Council Member Dubrutz recalled that during the April Town Council meeting there was a person who had approached the Council about repairing/rebuilding the Community Bulletin Board that is situated between Bradley's Bestway Market and the Drug Store Museum. At that meeting, he had offered to help by providing some lumber and he volunteered his assistance. The work was to begin in June. In July he received a call from that person and they agreed to meet at Bradleys Market. He waited about 45 minutes and nobody showed up.

The secretary reported that person came into the office and had returned the key to the Bulletin Board. She stated that she had not asked for any volunteer help with this project, and that she decided not to fix the Bulletin Board.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further comments or business to be brought before the McGill Town Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.