

The Regular meeting of the McGill Town Council was held on September 19, 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
Cynthia Angelopoulos, Member
Andy McVicars, Member

Absent Council Member: Ed Dubrutz, Member

Also in attendance:

Steve Stork, WPC Board of County Commissioner
Delores Manchester, Secretary
Stacy Laird, McGill Revitalization Assoc.
Eva Trimble, Kinneer Library/Cultural Center
Bonnie Gurr, Kinneer Library/Cultural Center

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

Council Vice-Chairperson Ballandby led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Council Chairman Winder called for any public comment.
There were no comments at this time.

SELECTION OF TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER TO SERVE ON SNPLMA GRANT COMMITTEE TO WORK WITH WPC MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT DURING DESIGNING AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF MCGILL BALL PARK:

The Council recalled that they had already selected Council Member Andy McVicars to serve as the SNPLMA grant consultant during the planning and reconstruction of the McGill Ball Park.

The Council directed the secretary to follow up with a memo to the Public Works Director.

REQUEST PERMISSION AND ASSISTANCE TO HAVE A PICNIC TABLE BUILT AND TO BE PLACED ON THE FRONT PORCH OF THE MCGILL COMMUNITY/SENIOR CENTER FOR STORY HOUR AND FOR STUDENTS TO WORK ON THEIR SCHOOL STUDIES:

Eva Trimble, Kinneer Library/Cultural Center, addressed the Council explaining that many school students utilize the free internet they offer through the volunteer library at the Community/Senior Center. These students gather on the front porch of the Center to do their homework. Oftentimes the students are on the porch until dark. They feel that the volunteer library could better serve these students if there was a picnic table placed on the front porch so the students could be more comfortable while doing their studies.

Council Chairman Winder explained that the McGill summer parks worker is still on the payroll. Before his seasonal employment ends, he would like to see Greg Irby be assigned the task of building the picnic table.

Council Member McVicars agreed, noting that Mr. Irby is an excellent carpenter and there is a lot of clean-up in the parks after the County Maintenance winterizes the sprinkling systems.

The Council directed the secretary to prepare the memo to the McGill Parks worker listing some extra projects the Council would like to have him work on.

REPORT ON RENOVATIONS TO KINNEAR LIBRARY BUILDING:

No report given.

AUTHORIZATION TO HANG A UNITED STATES FLAG, INCLUDING SOLAR LIGHTING, ON MOUNTAIN PEAK OVERLOOKING MCGILL:

Ernie Rivera addressed the Council explaining that he has been pursuing the hanging of the US Flag on his own because the Flag Pole is outside the town limits and the Council cannot provide funding outside their limits. He has been working with an engineering firm to assist with the redesigning. He is hopeful that next spring he will have more to report on the progress.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council Member Angelopoulos motioned to approve the McGill Town Council minutes dated August 15, 2017. Council Member McVicars seconded the minutes. Council Vice-Chairperson Ballandby abstained from voting due to being absent from that meeting. Motion was carried by a majority vote of the quorum present.

CORRESPONDENCE:

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

1. McGill-Ruth Sewer & Water GID agenda (Aug. 21st & Sept. 18).
2. Deposit in the amount of \$40.00 for rental of Center.
3. Deposit in the amount of \$30.00 for sale of McGill 100 Year History Book.
4. Deposit in the amount of \$40.00 for rental of Center.
5. Fire Protection and EMS Agreement received August 25, 2017.
6. BOCC minutes dated July 12, 2017 (received on August 30, 2017).
7. Secretary monthly report.
8. Memo to WPC Sheriff regarding Nuisance Abatements/Vandalism.
9. Memo to WPC Public Works re: public restroom/stop signs.
10. Police Report @ Bradleys Bestway Market.
11. Memo to WPC Finance Director requesting budget augmentation for street light #5.
12. E-mail from WPC Finance Director re: budget augmentation.
13. McGill Neighborhood Watch monthly report.
14. Letter to Alan Pedersen, Utah Highway Patrol thanking him for service at Bicycle Rodeo.
15. Resignation of McKenzie Bauman as Community/Senior Center Custodian.
16. E-mail from WPC Public Works re: SNPLMA grant for Ball Park.

Council Chairman Winder noted that the Council received a letter of resignation from McKenzie Bauman as the Custodian for the McGill Community/Senior Center. A letter of appreciation to Ms. Bauman thanking her for the excellent job she did has been prepared. The McGill Parks Maintenance person, Greg Irby, had previously expressed an interest in assuming the custodian duties if the position ever became vacant. He feels that Mr. Irby has done an excellent job in the parks, and he feels that the Council can slide him over into the custodian position as well.

The Council directed the secretary to prepare the Personnel Action Form and letter of appointment, and provide a copy to the WPC HR Director. Salary to be \$10.00 per hour, not to exceed \$100.00 per month, or 10 hours per month. Separate payroll reporting form is to be used.

APPROVAL OF BILLS/AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE:

The following bills were read into the record:

Bradley's Bestway Market	\$ 3.99
(Neighborhood Watch refreshments)	
Fireworks West Internationale	\$5,000.00
(Labor Day Fireworks)	
Chris's Service, Inc.	\$ 78.55
(parks gasoline)	
Bradleys's Bestway Market	\$1,217.65
(Labor Day Picnic supplies)	
OPI	\$ 29.99
(copy machine monthly contract)	
Bath Lumber	\$ 297.39
(park supplies)	
McGill Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 25.00
(reimbursement for rental of park)	
White Pine County Road Dept.	\$ 129.43
(parks gasoline)	

Council Vice-Chairperson Ballandby motioned to approve the bills as read.
Council Member Angelopoulos seconded the motion.
Motion was carried by a unanimous vote of the quorum present.

NUISANCE ABATEMENTS:

Council member Angelopoulos reported that she noticed that #6 Avenue D there is a horse trailer full of trash again. This had previously been reported, but it appears that the persons at that address seems to need a reminder to haul their trash on a regular basis. Also, at the corner of Avenue F and First Street, there are several piles of trash bags full of garbage that has not been hauled.

ANIMALS AT LARGE/VICIOUS DOGS:

Council Member Angelopoulos reported that there had been a German Sheppard running at large in her neighborhood, but it seems to have disappeared, or at least, she has not noticed it recently.

PARK MAINTENANCE:

Council Chairman Winder noted that the McGill parks are looking exceptionally well this year. There was a broken sprinkling line and the parks worker had repaired it, he also needed to repair the timer for the sprinkling system at one of the parks. The parks worker also noticed that there is a chain and lock on one of the gates at the McGill Ball Park. He instructed Mr. Irby to purchase bolt cutters and cut the lock.

Stacy Laird, MRA, explained that they had locked the back gate at the Ball Park during the tournament during the Labor Day weekend. She will see to it that the lock is removed.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The secretary reported that McGill is presently 17% into their budget, with only 1% of the revenues coming in so far. This is not unusual as revenues do not usually come in during the first few months of the new budget year. Presently McGill shows 20% spent, but she would point out that McGill traditionally obtains all their purchase orders at the beginning of the budget year, so it shows expenditures more than what they actually are.

FIRE/EMT REPORTS:

No report given.

STREET LIGHTS:

Council Chairman Winder reported that he faxed the list of requested street light repairs last month, upon checking with JW Electric, he learned that they had not received the list. He hand delivered the list of requested repairs this time.

Council Chairman Winder reported that he had been called to testify in Court regarding Street Light #5 that had been struck, so he had the secretary provide him with copies of all the documents. The District Attorney will be charging the driver of the vehicle with a felony. He later contacted Mt. Wheeler Power, provided them with a copy of the police report, then requested that they disconnect the power until a new pole has been delivered. He contacted Dirt Works regarding the removal and clean-up, and he has ordered another street light pole. White Pine County Finance Department is maintaining a complete file on all insurance claims.

STREETS & STREET SIGNS:

No report given.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM:

Council Chairman Winder referred to the monthly report prepared by Mike Borovansky, McGill Neighborhood Watch Coordinator. There had been 9 persons in attendance at the Neighborhood Watch meeting and there had been a representative of the US Forest Service there to give a presentation. They had discussed the use of ATVs and the maps showing designated travel roads. The Forest Service Rep cautioned users of Public Lands, if they should encounter any illegal marijuana growing activities, to not approach the growers, but to report it to the proper authorities. He also noted that many of the illegal marijuana growers use pesticides and they are now discovering that the pesticides are killing wildlife.

YOUTH/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Council Member McVicars noted that since the Labor Day activities, there will not be much going on until it is time for Santa to arrive in McGill.

BUSINESS PLAN/McGILL MERCHANTS REPORTS:

No report given.

KINNEAR LIBRARY/CULTURAL CENTER REPORT:

Eva Trimble reported that the Kinnear Library/Cultural Center will be holding their annual Fall Festival on October 6th from 3:00 to 5:00 P.M. There will be games and activities for people of all ages. They will be selling “Walking Tacos”, but people will need to come to find out what a “Walking Taco” is.

Also, Debbie Mitchell will be starting Family History Classes from 10 until Noon every Wednesdays. Also, the McGill Grade School will be bringing the First Grade students to the Kinnear Library/Cultural Center on the Wednesday following the Town Council meeting.

McGILL REVITALIZATION ASSOCIATION:

Stacy Laird, MRA, reported that there had been a very good turnout during McGill’s Annual Labor Day Festivities and they were able to raise close to \$1,600 to help cover expenses.

McGILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT WOMEN’S AUXILIARY:

No report given.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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

Steve Stork, County Commissioner, addressed the Council that he was able to attend some of the McGill Labor Day Festivities, such as the Street Dance and the picnic at the Swimming Pool Park. He was not able to attend the fireworks display, but heard they were fantastic.

Commissioner Stork explained that he wanted to personally respond to the letter McGill Town Council sent regarding the Interlocal Agreement for Fire Protection. He is not able to attend all the McGill Town Council meetings because of other meeting schedules, and because of the illness of a family member. He went on to explain that County Commission agendas and minutes are available on line to everybody and the agenda headings can be clicked on to retrieve any attached documentation. Noting, that oftentimes, the only information he receives is in the form of the attachments to the agenda items. The Fire agreement was hashed out between attorneys long before the Commission saw any drafts.

Council Chairman Winder made note that this present meeting is only the third time Commissioner Stork has attended as the McGill liaison. He has been in attendance at some of the County Commission meetings himself, but was not able to retrieve the final draft of the Interlocal agreement until a signed copy was sent to the secretary in August. He read the Commission minutes and he would note that this is not about “us and them”, if we have to search for information, why have a liaison. If some topic is coming up that he thinks might be of interest to McGill, he would appreciate a “heads up” just in case the topic was missed.

Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Stork asked if McGill Town Council wished him to remain as their liaison.

County Member McVicars assured him that McGill Town Council wishes him to remain as their liaison. Council Member Angelopoulos agreed, noting that she re-read the letter that McGill sent, several times, and she did not find anything in the letter was appeared offensive.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further comments or business to be brought before the McGill Town Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.