

The Regular meeting of the McGill Town Council was held on February 21, 2017 at the McGill Community/Senior Center located at the top of Avenue K at 6:00P.M.

The following McGill Town Council Members were in attendance:

- Bob Winder, Chairman
- Roxane Ballandby, Vice-Chairperson
- Cynthia Angelopoulos, Member
- Ed Dubrutz, Member
- Andy McVicars, Member

Also in attendance:

- Delores Manchester, Secretary
- Elizabeth Francis, WPC Finance Director
- Stacy Laird, Bus. Rep/McGill Revitalization Assoc.
- Lee Garcia, McGill Volunteer Fire Chief
- Tim Woolever, WPC District Fire Chief/Director of EMS
- Rick Ashby, White Pine County Sheriff Deputy
- Steve Stork, WPC Board of County Commissioner/Liaison
- Debbie Nordstrom, McGill Grade School

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Council Chairman Winder called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Council Member McVicars led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Council Chairman Winder called for comments from the audience.

Debbie Nordstrom, McGill Grade School, addressed the Council explaining that she is in attendance this evening to work on a school project for the McGill Grade School. She is not certain what type of project they will select yet, but she does wish it to be for the betterment of McGill.

The Council assured her that, whatever project they come up with the Town Council will support them in their endeavor.

BUDGET WORKSHOP:

APPROVAL OF FISCAL YEAR 2017/2018 MCGILL TOWN BUDGET:

White Pine County Finance Director, Elizabeth Francis, addressed the Council explaining that she does not have the numbers from the State of Nevada for McGill’s budget, as of this date. McGill’s revenues come from Consolidated Tax, Capital Improvements, Local Gaming, Miscellaneous Receipts/Donations, Building Rental, and Inter-Governmental. Last year the revenues for McGill were set at \$102,205.00, so she would suggest that McGill set their budget close to that amount for the coming year. She received a copy of the correspondence McGill sent to SNPLMA committing to 40% of the parks budget for the maintenance of the McGill Ball Park if the Town should receive the grant. She is not certain if the Council needs to have a specific line item right now. Possibly the parks personnel will need to indicate the amount of time they spend working at the Ball Park. This is something that can be worked out at a later date.

She had received a memo from WPC Maintenance Superintendent, Bill Calderwood, regarding back flow valves that will be required to be installed at each park in McGill. Cost are estimated as follows: Ball Park - \$4,000, Avenue K Park - \$2,000, First and Avenue K - \$1,000, and Circle Park - \$4,000.

Council Vice-Chairperson Ballandby arrived for the meeting at 6:40 P.M.

The McGill Town Council proceeded to study their budget and set it as follows for Fiscal Year 2017/2018:

280-501 – General Government		
Salaries & Wages	\$3,000	
PACT		365
Medicare		44

Social Security		112	
Operating Supplies & expenses		1,550	
Telephone		2,800	
Water and Sewer	500		
Master Policy Insurance		3,500	
Equipment under \$5,000	500		
280-502 Public Works			
Operating supplies & expenses		\$4,000	
Facility repair & maintenance		6,800	
Kinnear Library			***\$77,500 (carried forward from previous year)
Electricity		16,700	
Miscellaneous		12,200	
Contract Services	200		
Promotional Materials		200	
Equipment under \$5,000	3,000		
280-503 – Public Safety			
Operating supplies and expenses	-0-		
Fire Department supplies	600		
EMT supplies		-0-	
Miscellaneous		100	
Neighborhood Watch		500	
Auto repair & maint.		-0-	
Equipment under \$5,000	-0-		
Capital outlay			(purchase of brush truck-funds held from fund balance)
Capital outlay interest		1,492	
280-504 – Parks and Recreation			
Salaries & Wates	\$22,500		
PACT		912	
Medicare		326	
Social Security		1,395	
Operating supplies and expenses	3,000		
Facility repairs and maintenance	3,200		
Water and Sewer	6,500		
Auto repair		1,000	
Equipment under \$5,000	11,000		(back flow valves)
Equipment over \$5,000		1,000	(reward carried forward)
Town Beautification		250	
Total amount of McGill’s budget for Fiscal Year 2017/2018 - \$187,010.00			

Council Member Dubrutz motioned to set McGill Town budget at \$187,010 with estimated revenues at \$102,205.

Council Member McVicars seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

\*\*\*It was noted that pursuant to NRS 269.105 McGill will require a breakdown of all monies expended at the Kinnear Library for the purpose of listing those expenses during the payment of bills. NRS 269.105(2) reads as follows:

“All claims for such salaries and expenses shall be presented to the town board or board of county commissioners, who shall consider and allow or reject the same, in whole or in part, and a record of their action shall be entered upon their minutes”

\*\*\*\*\*NOTE – THE BUDGET WORKSHOP PORTION OF THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:05 P.M. AND THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING CONVENED AT 7:12 P.M.

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

AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASES MINUTE BOOKS FOR PRESERVING MCGILL TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES:

The secretary explained that has caught her minutes up to 2007, she is requesting to purchase 2 more minutes books which will allow her to bring McGill up to 2011. The Purchase Order had already been approved earlier in the budget year (PO-001-9002).

Council Member Angelopoulos motioned to authorize the purchase of 2 minutes books.  
Council Vice-Chairperson Ballandby seconded the motion.  
Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

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

It was noted that Ernie Rivera was not present for this discussion.  
It was the consensus of the Council to carry this matter.

FAILURE TO REMOVE TRASH ACCUMULATIONS AND/OR HAULING TRASH TO LANDFILL; AND IDENTIFYING/DOCUMENTING UNSIGHTLY YARDS, HEALTH HAZARDS, AND ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS:

Council Chairman Winder announced that the WP Board of County Commissioners recently held their Public Hearing for the adoption of County Ordinance 468 for updated codes regarding failure to haul trash and waste matter. McGill Town Council had been requesting this code be updated to simplify the reporting procedure allowing to report to other agencies other than the BOCC. This ordinance will need to be published in the local newspaper one more time, then the code will become effective.

The McGill Town Council noted their thanks the White Pine Board of County Commissioners and the District Attorney for their hard work in making the amendments to this ordinance.

STATUS REPORT ON RENOVATIONS TO KINNEAR LIBRARY BUILDING:

The secretary reported that she ran into the WP Maintenance Super, Bill Calderwood, he apologized to her because his crew has not done as much work on the Kinnear Library Building that they had planned. He lost one employee and the BOCC has requested he work on another project.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council Member Dubrutz motioned to approve the McGill Town Council minutes dated January 17, 2017.  
Council Member McVicars seconded the motion.  
Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE:

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

1. Written status report on the 4 street lights that had been struck by passing vehicles.
2. E-mail from WPC Road Super Miller reporting on traffic signs within the town of McGill.
3. Page of BOCC minutes dated November 20, 2016 regarding first reading of Ordinance 468.
4. List of persons killed in local mines dating back to the 1800's.
5. Secretarial monthly report.
6. E-mail from WPC Finance Director containing budget workshop papers.
7. Deposit of funds in the amount of \$60 for sale of 2 McGill books.
8. List of liaison appointments by BOCC.
9. Letter to Jeff Wilbanks regarding McGill Ball Park grant application.
10. Deposit of funds in the amount of \$30 for sale of McGill book.
11. McGill Neighborhood Watch report.
12. McGill-Ruth Water agenda.
13. WPC BOCC agenda listing agenda item regarding McGill Slag Ditch/secretary response.
14. Copy of Ordinance No. 468 regarding code amendments regarding failure to remove accumulations.
15. Copy of a letter from Roberta Stein to the Governor asking for additional police coverage in McGill.
16. Response letter from Governor Brian Sandoval regarding additional police coverage in McGill.

Council Chairman Winder reported there is an agenda item on the upcoming BOCC meeting regarding flooding, liabilities, and responsibilities for the Slag Ditch in McGill. The secretary had sent an e-mail to Road Super Miller listing some of the past issues with the Slag Ditch (dumping of trash, dumping of discarded telephone poles, filling a portion of the ditch with dirt). If anyone has anything further to add, they will need to get their concerns to the Commission Liaison Stork.

APPROVAL OF BILLS/AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE:

The below listed bills were read into the record:

Bradley's Bestway Market (Neighborhood Watch refreshments)	\$ 2.99
WP Chamber (annual dues)	\$75.00
Office Products Inc. (monthly copy machine contract)	\$29.99

Council Member McVicars motioned to approve the bills as read.

Council Member Dubrutz seconded the motion.

Motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

NUISANCE ABATEMENTS:

Council Member Angelopoulos reported that she has been waiting for Ordinance #468 to be updated. She now has a list of concerns she would like to report.

1. #36 Fourth Street – One ton truck filled with about 40 or 50 bags of trash that has not been hauled for several months. The resident cannot use the excuse that the truck does not run, because he was seen driving it last week.
2. #6 Avenue C – Horse trailer full of trash.
3. The yard behind the Victory Club is beyond a health hazard. The yard is so full of trash and debris that there is no more room, so the trash is piling up in the alley and some trash reaches to the neighbor's yards. There are old vehicles parked all along the alley to the point that no emergency vehicles can access any of the homes in the area.

Deputy Sheriff Ashby assured the Council that he would follow through with the 3 reported complaints.

The Council assured Deputy Ashby that they would follow through with this in writing.

ANIMALS AT LARGE/VICIOUS DOGS:

Nothing new to report.

PARK MAINTENANCE:

No report given.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The secretary reported that McGill Town Council is presently 58% into their budget year, with 40% of their revenues coming in. Presently they are 36% spent.

FIRE/EMT REPORTS:

McGill Volunteer Fire Chief, Lee Garcia, reported that the McGill Volunteer Fire Department responded to 8 calls this past month, 1 was a vehicle fire, 1 was a vehicle roll over, and 6 calls were for medical purposes.

WPC Fire Chief, Tim Woolever, addressed the Council explaining that he has 36 years experience in the fire services sector. Before that he worked in mining and was a volunteer EMT, then he worked at NDF, he has now relocated here to retire, applied for the position of EMS Coordinator and was selected. He has spoken with Bill Miller, WPC Road Super, and he confirmed that he is working on flood drain issues in McGill. He has also worked with WPC Maint. Super, Bill Calderwood about upgrading LED lighting and upgrading heating for all the county buildings. With the shrinking budgets, everyone needs to be trained. They all need to work together and spread themselves around so money stretches farther, and inner agency prevention.

Council Chairman Winder noted that there are grant funds through LEPSE for training.

STREET LIGHTS:

Council Chairman Winder listed the following lights that are either out or blinking:

#14 Avenue K - #7 Avenue K - #2 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street – Avenue O & North 4<sup>th</sup> Street – Between Avenue N & Avenue O at North 4<sup>th</sup> near small concrete building - #52 North 3<sup>rd</sup> – bottom of Avenue G & 4<sup>th</sup> Street.

STREETS & STREET SIGNS:

Council Member Dubrutz reported that the stop sign at the corner of Avenue Q and 4<sup>th</sup> Street had been taken out, when he called, the Road Department responded right away. Also, the Road Dept. inspected street signs and replaced a telespar post on Smelter and Avenue B. They also straightened the telespar post on Avenue A and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM:

It was reported there were 11 persons in attendance at the Neighborhood Watch meeting. WPC Deputy Jeramiah Peterson was in attendance as the new officer assigned to the program. The new officer had been briefed on past topics, such as: Bicycle Rodeo, McGill's Dummy Patrol Car, past and future presentations, and they are considering inviting the Task Force to give a presentation next month.

YOUTH/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:

Council Member McVicars reported that the volunteer groups have gathered to begin discussing the arrival of the Easter Bunny and how the McGill Town Council can be of service.

BUSINESS PLAN/McGILL MERCHANTS REPORTS:

Nothing new to report.

KINNEAR LIBRARY/CULTURAL CENTER REPORT:

Stacy Laird reported that she has been working with a teacher from the Middle School to help to help students do their homework in the evenings, utilizing the Library, as there are many students who do not have internet at home.

McGILL REVITALIZATION ASSOCIATION:

Stacy Laird, MRA, reported that the McGill Revitalization Association will help with the Easter Egg Hunt in April. They are considering having a bake sale and are planning their annual yard sale.

McGILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT WOMEN'S AUXILIARY:

McGill Volunteer Fire Chief Lee Garcia reported that the Women's Auxiliary has held a meeting and they are looking at possible fundraisers for their organization.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

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

There were no additional comments.

MEETING ADJOURNED:

There being no further business or comments to be brought before the McGill Town Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:43P.M..