

TOWN OF McBEE
SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 20, 2017
4:45 P.M.

Present: Mayor John Campolong, Charlie Sutton, Marion Stephens, A. C. McLeod, Jr., Beulah Bolton, and Terri King (Administrator)

Absent:

Note to Minutes: Terri King, Administrator, typed minutes.

Meeting Called to Order: Mayor John Campolong called meeting to order.

Motion to Enter into Executive Session pursuant to SC Code FOIA 30-4-70 (a)(b)(1)(2) to **Discuss Police Department** matters made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Councilwoman Beulah Bolton. All were in favor.

Motion of Verify that only the Items Stated in the Motion to Enter Executive Session were discussed during the Executive Session made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Councilman A. C. McLeod. All were in favor.

Discussion

Mayor John Campolong

At this time we will take up the matter of the McBee Police protection and a contract the has been offered by the Chesterfield County Sheriff's Department. We have discussed and reviewed all the aspects of the proposed contract. Our purpose in considering a contract with the Sheriff's Department is the need to stay current with all aspects of providing police protection to the citizens of McBee. As a small town, McBee is not able to provide complete protection in the way we would like to. The Sheriff has offered us a contract, the same as they have with Jefferson. I would like to see McBee consider accepting their contract. This would be a contract that would be binding for 180 days.

Councilman A. C. McLeod

Could we negotiate with the Sheriff to cut the initial contract to 90 days, to see if this is what the Town needs?

Mayor John Campolong

Due to the initial expenses of the start- up in providing the services to McBee, the Sheriff's Department would not sign a 90 day contract.

I do want to mention, that the Sheriff's Department would be using our automobiles and once our vehicles are no longer usable, the Sheriff's Department would replace them with their vehicles.

Councilwoman Beulah Bolton

This contract would be effective as of when?

Mayor John Campolong

I will have to meet with the Sheriff's Department to let them know that we are interested in a contract. Then we would begin when the contract has been offered and approved.

I have had their contract reviewed by a lawyer and was told that it is okay.

Councilwoman Beulah Bolton

We have some citizens here today; could we tell them what we are talking about?

To the Citizens present:

As you know we have part-time police officers now, so what is being proposed is that we use deputies, who are fully certified, we would have coverage from 7 a.m. until midnight Monday through Friday. The normal deputy patrol would cover the Town during the remaining hours each night and during the weekend.

Councilman A. C. McLeod

We need to have another meeting in order to review the actual contract being offered to the Town.

Motion to contact Sheriff's Department to receive a proposed contract for Police Protection for the Town of McBee made by Mayor John Campolong, seconded by Councilwoman Beulah Bolton. All were in favor.

Motion to Adjourn made by Councilman A.C. McLeod, Jr. and seconded by Councilwoman Beulah Bolton. All were in favor.