



**CITY of McLENDON-CHISHOLM**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**August 11, 2015**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Moody called the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of McLendon-Chisholm, Texas to order at 6:30 p.m.

City Council Present:	Gary Moody	Mayor
	Steve Hatfield	Mayor Pro-Tem
	Gary Lovell	Council Member
	Jack Pullen	Council Member
	Patrick Short	Council Member
	Jerry Klutts	Council Member

Staff Present:	David Butler	City Administrator
	Deborah Sorensen	City Secretary
	David Paschall	City Attorney

**2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro-Tem Hatfield gave invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

None

**4. PUBLIC HEARING**

A Public Hearing of the City Council to receive comments regarding consideration of the proposed tax rate of \$0.32 per \$100 valuation for 2015.

- a. Open Public Hearing – Mayor Moody opened the Public Hearing
- b. Receive comments from public –

Kathy Howell 104 Parade Point – There was no town meeting when the insurance companies raise rates. She is in favor of tax increase and planned protection. She believes in supporting strategic long term vision of the City.

Brett Packer 322 Pheasant Hill – Has lived here 20 to 21 years. He appreciates the fire department, they have saved two fires in his house. He rather be proactive than reactive. Doesn't agree with the total amount being proposed. He appreciates City Council and the Fire Department.

Steve McCall 200 Harvest Ridge – He has lived here 2½ years. He is a 37 year police veteran and has worked with a fire department in the past. The McLendon-Chisholm Volunteer Fire Department has done a wonderful job. Having a volunteer fire department with full time staff at the station will have faster response times. He hopes everyone supports this. Can't rely on Rockwall County Sheriff all the time and they will eventually start to charge us.

Bob Hermann 1248 Wales – Rockwall has similar set up to what we are proposing. He explained how the volunteers work. In Heath, police are 8 hours on and then the next day they are with the

fire department. They are both police and fire. The actual increase includes the City's City Hall Bond. The City is only actually asking for 27 cents.

Terrell Miller 35 Windsor Drive – His dad was on the school board where they lived. They planned for the future, it was hard.

Herman Larkin 8 Greenhollow – He has lived here for 8 years. It is only 7 cents for the fire department. We need services. They are trying to seed the fire department for future growth. They operate as first responders for medical calls, fires, and car wrecks. He is in support of the City Budget.

Robert Jones, Fire Chief – They have a very good relationship with the City. There's a time the City needs to take over the fire department. This is a private volunteer fire department and they could eventually go home and there will be nothing. Trying to prevent anything from happening. Trying to take small steps towards their goal. Thankful for the forward thinking of City Council.

Jim Roth 1110 Newcastle – His dad was on a volunteer fire department. They want to now talk about being proactive. 2 City Council Members are on the RCH water board. A 350% increase in taxes is not proactive. This leads to a kamikaze effect – not getting re-elected.

Alan Ray 3 Granite Ridge – Moved here in 2008 and doesn't understand. More people is more money. It's never enough. City Council missed the City Hall by \$650,000. The taxes are 4 times more than what they are paying now. Cut the pork out. The City needs to budget.

Larry Diamond 820 Kentwood – Why not put the taxes before the voters. Vote on the budget too. How many are for the budget?

Mark Kippett 31 Fireside – Have family in police and fire departments. He supports the budget for it. He was in the Air Force for 26 years. He worked for Raytheon and works on budgets. He thanked City Council for their service.

Michael Davis 106 Chaney Place – He comes from a fire fighting family. He comes up with 21 cents, where is the other 10 cents coming from? Can we adopt a larger budget?

Robert Steinhagen 304 Pheasant Hill – He started a new website, CRFGMC.org. Why didn't the voters vote on the new city hall. He went to the town hall meeting. The letter is written by a PR firm. It cost \$12,000.00. He's in opposition to it because of the half truths. He is against the tax increase.

Russell Macelland 1338 Hwy 205 – He agrees with previous speaker.

Glenna Brown 308 Partridge – What is the timeline for the fire and police? Will it start immediately?

Brent Jones 240 Harvest Ridge Drive – When transfer assets, who will maintain those assets and will it increase the taxes. He thinks that 32 cents is high, maybe 24 cents.

Jack Quinn 256 Quail Creek – Thanked City Council and Staff. What is the City doing to attract more businesses? He appreciates the Fire Department and Sheriff.

c. Close Public Hearing – Mayor Moody closed the Public Hearing.

## **5. PUBLIC HEARING**

A Public Hearing of the City Council to receive comments and take appropriate action regarding an amendment to Section 4-13 Commercial Development Standards of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

- a. Open Public Hearing – Mayor Moody opened the Public Hearing.
- b. Receive comments from public - None
- c. Close Public Hearing – Mayor Moody closed the Public Hearing.

## 6. PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the City Council to receive comments and take appropriate action regarding an adding chimney building materials to Section 6-9(a)(2) Construction Materials of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance.

- a. Open Public Hearing – Mayor Moody opened the Public Hearing.
- b. Receive comments from public - None
- c. Close Public Hearing – Mayor Moody closed the Public Hearing.

## 7. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Consideration and action on approval of minutes from the City Council Regular Meeting held on July 28, 2015
- b. Building Official Report for the month of July 2015
- c. Rockwall County Sherriff Activity for the month of July 2015
- d. McLendon-Chisholm Volunteer Fire Department and EMS Activity for the month of July 2015

Council Member Short made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mayor Pro-Tem Hatfield seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

## 8. REGULAR BUSINESS

- a. Receive a report from the RCH Water board president regarding water for the City

Council Member Pullen, also RCH Water Board President, reported they need a larger water line to hook onto a 12 inch line. They met with the City of Rockwall and will install a 16 inch line what will run from Springer Elementary to their tanks. The City of Rockwall will expedite the permits. The Engineer will be at the Board Meeting tomorrow at 2 p.m. He apologized for any inconvenience.

- b. Receive Final Report and Recommendation from Planning & Zoning Commission regarding amending Section 4-13 Commercial Development Standards of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance

City Council received final report and recommendation of approval from the Planning & Zoning Commission.

- c. Receive Final Report and recommendation from Planning & Zoning Commission regarding adding chimney building materials to Section 6-9(a)(2) Construction Materials of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance

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- d. Discussion and consideration of amending Section 4-13 Commercial Development Standards of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance

Council Member Short made a motion to approve Section 4-13 Commercial Development Standards of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance. Mayor Pro-Tem Hatfield seconded the motion. **Motion passed 5-0.**

- e. Discussion and consideration of adding chimney building materials to Section 6-9(a)(2) Construction Materials of the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance

Council Member Lovell asked for clarification on this item. Planning & Zoning Commission will review this item again and bring it back next month.

- e. Receive Report from Mayor Pro-Tem Hatfield regarding initial meeting with McLendon-Chisholm Volunteer Fire Department of City's acquisition of fire department

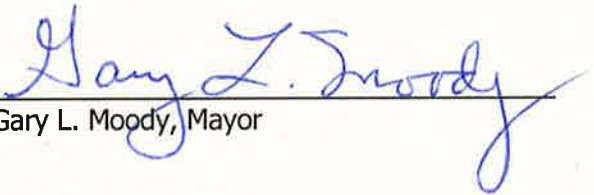
Mayor Pro-Tem Hatfield stated that he met with the fire department to negotiate and MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) that would outline the merge of the MCVFD and the City. He would like to try to have an agreement in place by March 2016 with the take-over taking place October 2017. At the present time we have a great relationship with the MCVFD.

- f. City Administrator Report

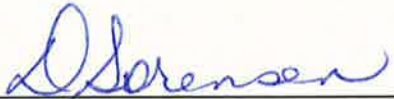
David Butler reported Pullen Road needs to be repaired. He will have an estimate at the next meeting. He is dealing with code enforcement issues.

## 9. ADJOURN

Council Member Klutts made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Pullen seconded the motion. **Motion passed 4-0.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

  
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Gary L. Moody, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Deborah Sorensen, TRMC, City Secretary

