

**TOWN OF PARACHUTE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 2014**

Meeting called to order at 6: 30p.m. by Mayor McClung

ACTION MINUTES:

(A) ROLL CALL

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Norm Feck, John Loschke, Timothy Old, Tom Rugaard

TRUSTEES ABSENT: John Yadloski

STAFF PRESENT: Town Manager Stuart McArthur and Town Clerk Denise Chiaretta
Town Attorney Edward Sands

(B) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(C) COMMENTS FROM CITIZEN NOT ON THE AGENDA
There were none

(D) DISCUSSION OF THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF THE TOWN OF PARACHUTE

Staff: STURAT S. MCARTHUS, TOWN MANAGER
CARE' MCINNIS, MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE
ED SANDS, TOWN ATTORNEY

Care' commented to the board to look at things from the municipal judge's position. When a person leaves and a new person is hired she feels that it would be beneficial to the court for the judge to have a say in who is appointed, she stated that the town manager is stating that if she appoints she will have to come up with funds as she is not using an employee that is already an employed. The court should be allowed to appoint someone that has training in the court system using funds that are already budgeted for the court.

Trustee Williams asked if the judge had to swear that she had hired the court clerk. Judge McInnis stated that no she had to swear if she actually hired the court clerk.

Town Attorney Sands stated that the home rule charter stated the town manager may appoint the court clerk but Parachute has an ordinance that states the judge shall appoint the court clerk.

Trustee Feck asked about the wages, if a part time court clerk was hired would the wages be taken away from the employees already budgeted to pay a part time clerk.

Judge McInnis stated she is not asking for more funds

There was more general discussion on what is the judge's responsibility.

Judge McInnis stated that she would like the authority to appoint the court clerk.

Town Attorney stated that the Town Charter states that the Town Manager may appoint the Court Clerk but the Town has an Ordinance that states the Municipal Judge appoints the Court Clerk

Judge McInnis was asked if she would be willing to appoint Denise Chiaretta as her Court Clerk.

She stated that she would be willing and Denise stated she would be willing to be the court clerk.

There was discussion about a having an ordinance drafted for the January meeting so the Home Rule Charter and the Towns Ordinance did not conflict.

(E) EXECUTIVE SESSION

No executive session was called.

(F) MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved and Seconded by Trustee Loschke / Williams

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

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