

The Wilsonville Town Council met in regular session Monday, January 23, 2017, in the Council Chamber Room at the Wilsonville Town Hall. Mayor Lee McCarty called the meeting to order at 6:30 P. M.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Councilman Larry Cohill.

The following council members answered roll call: Richard Atchison, Larry Cohill, Gordon Fluker, Ivan Greene, Ricky Morris, Blake Ray, Melissa Rosetta.

The minutes of the January 03, 2017, meeting (mailed to the council members prior to this meeting) were reviewed. Gordon Fluker made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented; Ivan Greene seconded. The motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Larry Cohill, yes; Gordon Fluker, yes; Ivan Greene, yes; Ricky Morris, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

Checks were examined by the council members immediately preceding the meeting. Larry Cohill made a motion to approve the checks for mailing; Ricky Morris seconded. The motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Larry Cohill, yes; Gordon Fluker, yes; Ivan Greene, yes; Ricky Morris, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

Mayoral Announcements.

The Lokey annexation ordinance has an addition to the legal description provided by Bill Justice. Since there is a change in the wording, there will be a new vote to approve the annexation. The amended ordinance reads as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 161219

WHEREAS, on or about the 28<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, Montgomery Lokey and Mary Ellen Lokey, as Trustees of the Lokey Revocable Living Trust, filed a petition with the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, as required by §§ 11-42-20 and 11-42-21, Code of Alabama 1975, as amended, petitioning and requesting that the property hereinafter described be annexed to the municipality of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, which petition contained an accurate description of the property proposed to be annexed together with a map of the said property showing its relationship to the corporate limits of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, and the signatures of the owners of the property described were signed thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WILSONVILLE, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, does adopt this Ordinance assenting to the annexation of the following described property to the municipality of the Town of Wilsonville:

NE 1/4 of SE 1/4, Section 14, Township 21 South, Range 1 East; N 1/2 of SW 1/4, Section 13, Township 21 South, Range 1 East; NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, Section 13, Township 21 South, Range 1 East; the portion of NE 1/4 of SE 1/4, Section 13,

Township 21 South, Range 1 East lying West of Brasher Branch also known as Sunrise Cove; S 1/2 of SW 1/4 of NE 1/4, Section 13, Township 21 South Range 1 East, except for lots 1-A, 2-A, 3-A, and 4-A and Road Easements of "Sunrise Cove" as shown by Subdivision Map recorded in Map Book 5, page 31 in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama. Less and except any portion of the above described property which lies below the datum plane of 397 feet above mean sea level conveyed to Alabama Power Company by deed recorded in Deed Book 250, page 443, in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama.

2. That the corporate limits of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, be extended and rearranged so as to embrace and include such property, and such property shall become a part of the corporate area of such municipality upon the date of publication or posting of this Ordinance, as provided for in the Code of Alabama as cited above.

3. That the Town Clerk be and she is hereby authorized and directed to file a copy of this Ordinance, including an accurate description of the property being annexed, together with a map of the said property showing its relationship to the corporate limits of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, to which said property is being annexed, in the office of the Judge of Probate of Shelby County, Alabama.

4. That the Zoning Map of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, and any other official maps or surveys of the Town shall be amended to reflect the annexation of the above-described property, and that a copy of this Ordinance be transmitted to the Town Planning Commission.

5. That this property is temporarily zoned HZ as provided in the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama.

This ordinance was adopted and passed by the Town Council of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, this the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 201\_\_\_.

Town of Wilsonville, Alabama

by \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

Attest:

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Clerk

Gordon Fluker made a motion to adopt Ordinance Number 161219, as presented above; Ricky Morris seconded. The motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Larry Cohill, yes; Gordon Fluker, yes; Ivan Greene, yes; Ricky Morris, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

There will be a pre-construction meeting concerning the Hebb Road sidewalk project tomorrow at 11:00 A. M. in the council chamber room. The contractor indicates he wants to begin the project January 30.

There was a meeting with Shelby County officials about the Shelby County radio system for emergency communication last week. The meeting was attended by Mayor McCarty, Jim Blair, Loren Russell, Chief Davy Edwards, Roger Perry, Richard Atchison, and Donnie Smith. The cost for Wilsonville to participate will be \$12,000.00 (this is based on population). Richard Atchison stated the new system will be operating on a totally different frequency than now and the cost includes radios for all the fire trucks. Mr. Blair and Mr. Russell will do an assessment survey regarding getting WIFI service from Station One to Station Two and possibly, the whole downtown area. There will be no charge for the assessment survey.

The annual safety meeting/banquet will be tomorrow night at the Wilsonville Methodist Church. Be there at 6:30, ready to eat at 7:00.

The Shelby County Board of Education won top rating in the state and is the largest system to do so. They are doing a video to promote the system and have asked the mayor and the principal to appear.

The wall at Central Park is being repaired. State Farm Insurance has paid us for the expense.

There have been 606 views on Facebook of the last council meeting. This proves the interest is there for the service. The mayor was shocked at the number!

Robert Macon, United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development, addressed the council concerning what is offered in the way of grants and low interest loans for the area. There are grants available through a business program for small rural businesses and farmers. For instance, a grocery store might get a grant for new more energy efficient coolers. There are grants for creation of jobs, for instance, renovation of a vacant building to prepare for a new business.

Virginia Johnson , USDA, said home loans are available for those who do not have a home. Individuals would need to contact her for details. This would not go through the Town.

Karen McCelvey, USDA, spoke about loans to low income individuals for home repair. The person would have to be over 62 years old. There are grants, up to \$7,500.00, where no repayment would be required. The grantee would not be able to sell the house for three years. Making a home handicap assessable might be such a project. There is usually a wait time for the grants; they are in high demand. This would not go through the Town.

Roger Perry reported the water leak in the middle of Valentine Circle has been repaired. He had to dig up the street (as well as a phone line which had not been marked). The road is chert covered with tar and gravel. He filled the hole up with gravel and will keep a check on it and add more if it settles later.

#### Council Agenda

Ivan Greene asked that building a community center be on the agenda for the next meeting. He said, during the campaign, several people asked him about a community center in Wilsonville. He has visited a couple of centers in the area. The mayor stated it would not be merely the cost of building a building but ongoing expenses for upkeep, insurance, hiring a director, etc. Gordon Fluker stated the Baptist Church has activities for seniors. Karen McCarty asked if everyone could participate or just church members. If these activities are open to all the people, that needs to be publicized. The question was asked as to what the center could offer that the churches do not already offer. Who would use the center and what would be offered? Mayor McCarty stated he did not know how a center could be built without a tax increase, and he is against a tax increase. He would rather see things done to increase property values in town such as parks, sidewalks, and businesses to draw more people. The community center would be a drain on finances, not a moneymaker. Melissa Rosetta stated she had inquiries about a community center during her campaign, as well, and she seconded Mr. Greene's request for the matter to be on the agenda for the next meeting. Larry Lowe asked why there are so many centers in the area if they are not beneficial. Larry Cohill asked who would come since the townspeople do not seem to gather together except for church services. A feasibility study could be done. The issue of the community center will be on the agenda for February 06.

#### Council Comment

Gordon Fluker asked about the bucket truck. The truck is in town.

Ivan Greene asked if there is a schedule for pothole repair. The mayor asked the clerk to remind him about this issue. He will check with Shelby County; we do not have equipment to do those repairs.

Blake Ray asked if the USDA could help with broadband issues. Mr. Macon will get check on this and get back with us.

Melissa Rosetta asked if the restrooms at Oak Meadow Park could be opened when we have unseasonally warm weather. Roger Perry stated the restrooms have been winterized so it not just a matter of unlocking them. It would cost approximately \$30 each time they were opened to do this. Ricky Morris asked about putting heaters in the restrooms. This is not feasible since when the lights are turned on, fans come on, too, which circulate outside air into the restrooms. The restrooms are not built for year around use.

Mrs. Rosetta also asked about an area on the walking track at Oak Meadow Park where water stands quite often. Mr. Perry stated the park is built on limestone which means the soil is not permeable. In the winter when the water table rises, water actually comes up out of the ground. The mayor will look into the matter.

Mrs. Rosetta said the gate from the parking lot into the walking track at Oak Meadow Park has some issues. There are sharp places sticking up where someone could get hurt. The mayor would like to wait about doing anything to the chain link fence until the sidewalk project is completed. We may do away with that fence entirely at that time.

#### Public Comment

Larry Lowe asked why a gap was not left in the wall at Central Park when repairs were done to facilitate the installation of the Christmas tree. Roger Perry stated there is wiring inside the wall. Mr. Lowe also said the bucket truck will be needed to maintain the Christmas lights on the businesses and churches in town. He stated a service manual for the truck can be downloaded and used to find the problem.

Sue Whitfield, Wilsonville Beautification Board, thanked Roger Perry for getting the lights in front of the businesses downtown back on. She thanked the mayor and council, as well.

There being no further business to come before the council, Richard Atchison made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gordon Fluker seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 P. M.

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E. L. McCarty, III, Mayor

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Attest