

The Wilsonville Town Council met in regular session, Tuesday, January 09, 2018, in the Council Chamber Room at the Wilsonville Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lee McCarty at 6:30 P. M.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Councilman Blake Ray.

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 December 18, 2017, regular council meeting (mailed to the council members before this meeting) were reviewed. Gordon Fluker made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented; 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.

The December Treasurer's Report was presented by Councilman Gordon Fluker, as follows:

GENERAL FUND	Total Income:	\$162,750.33
	Total Expense:	\$ 60,237.00
	Net Income	\$102,513.33

These figures include grant income of \$68,770.21 and property tax income of \$25,115.22.

	Total Liquid Assets:	\$1,497,387.11
WATER WORKS	Total Income:	\$45,322.06
	Total Expense:	\$29,185.58
	Net Income:	\$16,136.48
	Total Liquid Assets:	\$375,169.75

Checks were examined by the council members immediately prior to the meeting. Larry Cohill made a motion to approve the checks for mailing; 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.

The annual safety meeting will be held Tuesday, January 30, 2018, at Wilsonville First Baptist Church. Be there at 6:30 P. M. Dinner will be served at 7:00 P. M. We need to get a number of people who are planning to attend as soon as possible.

Mayoral Announcements

The mayor met with ALDOT December 20. The Highway 25 Bridge Bid is ready to go out on January 03. Three endangered species have been identified in Bulley Creek which has increased the price of the project. The contract is scheduled to be let in March or April.

Mayor McCarty plans to attend a legislative meet and greet, January 12th at Jefferson State Community College and another January 23rd in Montgomery.

The Alabama League of Municipalities Convention will be in May this year in Montgomery. The mayor encouraged all the council members to attend.

February 28, at the Greater Shelby Chamber of Commerce Meeting, In Pelham, Alex Dudchock will deliver the State of the Community Report.

The mayor asked Councilman Fluker for an update on the fence installation at Oak Meadow Park. Work has not yet begun due to the weather. Weather permitting, work should begin tomorrow or Thursday. Once work begins, it should be completed in two weeks. The materials have been ordered and are on hand to begin the work.

The Town has purchased a used emergency generator. It is a fifty KW Kohler with only 8.1 hours on it. It has a diesel John Deere motor. The cost was \$8,500.00. Richard Atchison stated a little electrical work for about \$1,000.00 will need to be done in order to connect it to what we have in place. The mayor thanked Councilman Atchison and Roger Perry for their work obtaining the generator.

The Christmas tree removal went very well. A section of the rock wall at the park can now be removed, when needed, to get equipment in and out of the park. That way we can put up and take down the tree with Town equipment and not have to rent anything.

Councilman Morris asked if work has begun on the Highway 441 bridge replacement project the Shelby County Highway Department is doing. Roger Perry said clearing for the project began today.

The mayor stated he would like to have an executive session meeting immediately following the open council meeting to discuss a potential real estate purchase, which is one of the allowed reasons for such a session in the Alabama code, as read by the town clerk.

Ricky Morris made a motion to go into executive session after the adjournment of the regular meeting to discuss a potential real estate purchase, not reconvening the regular meeting afterwards. Larry Cohill seconded the motion which 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.

Council Agenda – There was none.

Council Comment

Blake Ray asked if there was any further information on the countywide streamline radio system. The Fire Department has some pagers in need of repair. The mayor said it is his understanding the project will be done by the end of 2018 according to an e-mail he received. Councilman Atchison said it is his understanding it is in the testing phase now. We will try not to spend money on repairs to the present equipment since what we have now will be obsolete when the planned changes are made. We will attempt to make only minimal repairs, if absolutely needed.

Councilman Ray also mentioned the need for improved internet connection for the Fire Department. There is web based training available if we get improved internet service. The mayor is still looking into upgrades. Both the federal government and the state government are talking WIFI/internet improvements for rural areas at this time.

Councilman Greene stated Frances “Skeet” Phelps has been nominated for Citizen of the Year at the annual Diamond Awards presented by the South Shelby Chamber of Commerce. The winners will be announced this Thursday at the Chamber meeting.

Public Comment

Robin Griffen asked what the endangered species are in Bulley Creek. The mayor was not sure.

Lane Ross asked about a construction sign on Hebb Road that has not been removed. He asked who the owner of the sign is. That is uncertain since both Shelby County and the Town have had projects in that area.

Larry Lowe asked when the real estate purchase will be made public. The mayor said not tonight. Before a contract can be signed, if it comes to that, the matter will be presented at a public meeting and either approved or disapproved at a public meeting.

Gordon Fluker asked about the flag at Central Park. He has found a flag on line of a higher quality, advertised as triple stitched, for \$350.00. He pointed out a smaller flag was proposed at an earlier meeting. The clerk will call American Flag, from whom we bought the current flag, about the guarantee Councilman Cohill saw on their website.

There being no further business to come before the council, Richard Atchison made a motion to adjourn the public meeting. Ricky Morris seconded, and the motion received unanimous consent.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P. M.

E. L. McCarty, III, Mayor

Attest

The Executive Session meeting convened at 7:17 P. M. and was adjourned at 8:30 P. M.