

The Wilsonville Town Council met Monday, February 19, 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 Ricky Morris.

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 February 05, 2018, regular council meeting (mailed to the council members before this meeting) were reviewed. Gordon Fluker made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented. Larry Cohill seconded, and 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 prior to the meeting. Melissa Rosetta 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 mayor attended an Alabama Environmental Commission meeting concerning the ash lake capping at E. C. Gaston Steam Plant recently.

The mayor will be attending the Greater Shelby Chamber of Commerce meeting, Wednesday, February 28, in Pelham. The Shelby County mayors are to speak at this meeting.

On February 21, Mayor McCarty will be attending a Birmingham Regional Planning Commission Meeting.

March 13, the Shelby County Mayors will be meeting.

The mayor will be attending the Columbiana City Council Meeting tomorrow. Plans for the Shelby County Arts Council building will be presented at this meeting. He attended a Mardi Gras event at the Shelby County Arts Council recently. It was a good program, and Lee encouraged everyone to attend the events sponsored by the Arts Council. The community needs to support them as much as we can.

Gordon Fluker reported the fence is installed at Oak Meadow Park. It looks very nice.

The mayor stated the council needs to go into executive session to discuss the purchase of property. Richard Atchison made a motion to go into executive session; Larry Cohill 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 mayor stated the executive session would last around fifteen minutes. The regular meeting was adjourned to executive session at 6:36 P. M.

The regular council meeting was called back to order at 7:20 P. M. There was no business to come before the council from the executive session.

Council Agenda – There was none.

Council Comment

Councilman Fluker asked about where we stand on putting security cameras at the parks. He came by Oak Meadow Park late one night and there were adults, or possibly older teens, on the playground equipment. He asked if we need to have a closing time for the park except for the walking track. Also, he has heard there is a problem, again, at Helms Park with individuals going there late at night. Could we put a gate at Helms Park that could be locked when baseball games are not in progress?

Councilman Ray asked about the rural broadband issue. The mayor met with Yvonne Miarray at a meeting in Montgomery concerning this. Councilman Ray stated he understands the Alabama House of Representatives has passed a bill offering tax breaks to companies who would provide broadband service. The

mayor stated the bill has passed the House but not the Senate. Councilman Atchison stated Space-X sent a satellite up today for the purpose of broadband service.

There was a question about the Highway 441 bridge progress. Roger Perry says the county is working on the by-pass road at this time. After the by-pass road is finished, the water lines will have to be moved, after which the actual work on the bridge will begin. The water will probably be off on Highway 441 overnight when the water line work is done.

Public Comment

Larry Lowe stated he has heard a rumor Alabama Power Company is buying more property on Highway 441 for another ash storage facility. The mayor stated he is attending the Environmental Management Commission meetings (seven commissioners) every other month.

There being no further business to come before the council, Richard Atchison made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Larry Cohill seconded, and the motion received unanimous approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 P. M.

E. L. McCarty, III, Mayor

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