

The Wilsonville Town Council met in regular session, Monday, March 18, 2019, 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 March 04, 2019, regular council meeting (mailed to the council members before this meeting) were reviewed. Melissa Rosetta made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented; Gordon Fluker seconded. The motion was approved 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.

Outgoing checks were examined by the council members immediately prior to 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 annual pet vaccine clinic will be Saturday, March 23, from 10:00 A. M. until noon. This is a shorter time period; however, there will be more workers this year.

The mayor has a scheduled meeting with ALDOT, Thursday, March 28.

On the agenda for the April 01 meeting will be the annual MWPP Report and the audit report.

April 02, the mayor will be meeting with legislators in Montgomery.

The legislature passed the ten cent gasoline tax into law in a special session, and the governor has signed the bill. Municipalities will get a very small percentage of the increase. Six cents of the increase will go into effect soon with two cents added each year until the full ten cents is in place. A little increase for the town is better than nothing.

There are several controversial bills coming before the legislature. SB23 would do away with police jurisdictions. The League of Municipalities and most of the mayors are opposed to this bill. It would hurt the smaller municipalities.

The mayor has the following meetings scheduled: Legislature to address funding for internet access; April 10, League of Municipalities Committee Meeting; April 12, Alabama Environmental Commission; April 17, Regional Planning Commission.

The mayor reminded everyone of the Easter Sunrise Service which will be at Wilsonville United Methodist Church this year beginning at 6:00 A. M.

The bleachers at Helms Park look good. One set is completely installed and the frame is up on the second set.

Gordon Fluker reported on the Central Park plans. He met with Councilmen Ray and Morris and Beautification Board member, Sue Whitfield, to discuss needed work. He, then, prepared a bid package for work around the fountains and the planters (dig out eighteen inches of the fill dirt and replace with topsoil, recommend plants for planters, mulch). Option A would be total maintenance of the park – cut grass, trim, pressure wash, on a bi-weekly basis during growing season, monthly during non-growing season. There will be a two month written termination notice if the work is not performed. The bid proposal will be mailed to Darrin Frisinger, Adam Newman, and Rodney Decker with an April 19 date for return.

The Planning and Zoning Board met February 19, 2019, and approved a recommendation to approve a zoning change from Holding Zone to Agricultural for the Frankie Sports property in Smith's Camp and approve the Lokey Landing Master Plan off Old Lokey Ferry Road. Richard Atchison made a motion the council approve these recommendations; 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;

Council Comment

The improvements at Helms Park are almost completed and look good. Councilman Morris said he is just glad to have it done. Councilman Atchison mentioned the need for some work on the entrance road to the park. It has washed in spots and needs some chert or gravel work. Mayor McCarty said, eventually, he would like to see that paved, as well as the parking area.

Councilman Ray addressed the Oakland Avenue street condition. He has contacted Clay Aderholt, Shelby County Highway Department, and asked him to look at the situation and offer suggestions for a solution.

Mr. Ray also expressed his appreciation for the work at Helms Park.

Councilman Greene said he has noticed the parks being used. There were people at the game tables at Central Park playing checkers or something recently. He was glad to see the tables being utilized.

Councilwoman Rosetta said the Stop sign at Cove Road and Hebb Road is down. The clerk will notify the county highway department tomorrow.

The mayor has spoken with the county highway department about the intersection of County Highway 61 and State Highway 25. Traffic needs to stop further back on Highway 61 to allow for big trucks making the turn off of Highway 25 onto Highway 61. He is asking for a stripe to be painted and a sign to let people know to stop further back.

Mayor McCarty asked the council to be thinking about adding some hours to our contract with the Shelby County Sheriff's Office. He would like to address this at the next meeting so the sheriff will be able to include the request in his budget request to the Shelby County Commission.

Public Comment

Nancy Fluker asked if we could spray for mosquitos at Oak Meadow Park. We do not do that.

Lane Ross asked if the Town needed to pay for the bridge replacement on Highway 25 since the new gasoline tax bill passed. The mayor stated that agreement was made quite a while ago and a contract was signed. We will not back out now. Mr. Ross said that looks like double dipping to him.

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

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

E. L. McCarty, III, Mayor

Attest