

The Wilsonville Town Council met, Monday, November 19, 2018, 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 Richard Atchison.

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 November 05, 2018, meeting (mailed to the council members before this meeting) were reviewed. Gordon Fluker made a motion to accept 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 council members examined the outgoing checks immediately prior to the meeting. Blake Ray made a motion to approve the checks for mailing; 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.

Mayoral Announcements

The Fourth Annual Christmas Tree Lighting is Monday, November 26. The tree was put up today; the sleigh is out. The Wilsonville Elementary School pre-kindergarten choir will sing first, the switch will be flipped, then Three on a String will perform. Edward Cohill will flip the switch this year. Larry Lowe stated a few more volunteers were needed to help; there were three volunteers and three employees there today. Karen McCarty prepared chili for lunch for the guys and Barbara Lowe brought cookies for dessert.

Barbara Lowe reported all the necessary wreaths for Wreaths Across America have been sold. The ceremony will be Saturday, December 15, at Central Park, after which the wreathes will be placed on the graves of veterans buried in the three cemeteries in Wilsonville. There will be a Fine Arts Club member at each cemetery with a map to help locate the graves.

The mayor has a Birmingham Regional Planning Commission meeting Wednesday, December 19.

Coffee With the Mayor, here, November 15, was quite a success. We had snow flurries that morning, but a lot of folks came out.

The mayor wished all a Happy Thanksgiving.

Ordinance Number 181119, concerning the state severe weather preparedness sales tax holiday in February, was discussed. Wilsonville has participated in this every year. Although this occurs in February, it needs to be approved early so the Alabama State Department of Revenue can post on their website those towns and cities who are participating.

The ordinance reads as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 181119

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF WILSONVILLE, ALABAMA, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN “COVERED ITEMS” FROM THE MUNICIPAL SALES AND USE TAX DURING THE LAST FULL WEEKEND OF FEBRUARY, 2019, AS AUTHORIZED BY ACT 2012-256, GENERALLY REFERRED TO AS THE STATE SEVERE WEATHER PREPAREDNESS SALES TAX HOLIDAY LEGISLATION.

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

Section 1. In conformity with the provisions Act 2012-256 enacted by the Alabama Legislature during the 2012 Regular Session, providing for a State Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax **Holiday, the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, exempts “covered items” from municipal sales and** use tax during the same period, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on the last Friday in February, 2019 (February 22, 2019) and ending at twelve midnight the following Sunday (February 24, 2019).

Section 2. This ordinance shall be subject to all terms, conditions, definitions, time periods, and rules as provided by Act 2012-256, except that the time period shall only be as specified in Section 1 above and not for all years thereafter.

Section 3. The Town Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this ordinance under the seal of the Town of Wilsonville, Alabama, and to forward said certified copy to the Alabama Department of Revenue to be recorded and posted on the Department website.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective on the 22nd day January, 2019.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 19th DAY OF November, 2018.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____ -
Town Clerk

Richard Atchison made a motion to adopt Ordinance Number 181119; Melissa Rosetta 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 Agenda – There was none.

Council Comment

Gordon Fluker asked about the sale of the property and well house on Highway 61. There is a snafu concerning the easement on the property.

Councilman Fluker also asked about the fire chief's truck. It will be taken to Montgomery to have a light package installed. We will get a call when they are ready to install; they are backed up right now.

Mr. Fluker also asked about the railroad crossing on Highway 61. It is quite rough right now and has to be crossed with caution. Councilman Morris said he had spoken with the railroad crew and was told the finishing crew is working in Talladega County coming this way. Until then, everyone will need to proceed very carefully. Council Greene stated the railroad owns the property and the county has a right-of-way for the road and not the other way around.

Councilman Fluker reported the footings have been poured at Helms Park for the installation of the new bleachers. The fabricator can now proceed with his part of the project and then, the actual installation will take place. The additions to the pads for the bleachers have not been poured.

Public Comment.

Larry Lowe asked why one of the tables at Central Park has two seats and the other table only has one. This is to allow for wheelchair accessibility.

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 passed with a unanimous vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P. M.

E. L. McCarty, Mayor

Attest