

The Wilsonville Town Council met Monday, January 04, 2021, in the Council Chamber Room at the Wilsonville Town Hall. Mayor Ricky Morris called the meeting to order at 6:30 P. M. The mayor stated this is the first meeting of the New Year, and he hopes it will be a better year!

The meeting was opened with prayer by Councilman Richard Atchison.

Councilman Atchison led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The following council members answered roll call: Richard Atchison, Mavis Cohill, Lauren Kennamer, Larry Lowe, Blake Ray, Melissa Rosetta.

The minutes of the December 21, 2020, meeting (mailed to the council members before this meeting) were reviewed. Larry Lowe made a motion to accept the minutes, as presented; Blake Ray seconded. The motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Mavis Cohill, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

The December Treasurer's Report was presented by Councilwoman Kennamer, as follows:

GENERAL FUND	Total Income:	\$ 66,143.49
	Total Expenses:	\$111,704.85
	Net Income:	(\$45,561.36)
	Total Liquid Assets:	\$1,574,178.48
WATER WORKS	Total Income:	\$57,154.23
	Total Expenses:	\$32,162.96
	Net Income:	\$24,991.27
	Total Liquid Assets:	\$946,499.69

Checks were examined by the council members immediately prior to the meeting. Blake Ray asked about a check for tree removal for \$2,500.00. This was an emergency situation. There was a major water leak and the tree was on top of and its roots were wrapped around and in the water line. It was also late in the evening and had to be done. Blake Ray made a motion to approve the checks for mailing; Melissa Rosetta seconded. The motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Mavis Cohill, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

The vacant council seat was the first item on the agenda.

Larry Lowe made a motion to appoint Jimmer Bolden to fill the seat. There was no second to the motion.

Richard Atchison made a motion to appoint Don Belcher to fill the seat. Mavis Cohill seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Mavis Cohill, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes. Mr. Belcher will be sworn in at the January 19th meeting and fill the council seat.

Mayor Morris reported the wooden section of the fence at Oak Meadow Park is partially down. It has been suggested it be replaced with chain link fencing to match the rest of the fencing around the park. Richard Atchison stated there needs to be some sort of privacy fence placed there due to the proximity of the house and swimming pool on the other side of the fence. Larry Lowe agreed. Prices will be obtained on chain link fencing with slats added for privacy.

Mayor Morris stated he will meet with Wayne Barber as soon as possible to discuss credit card payments for utility bills.

The sidewalk project construction is ongoing. The guardrails have been replaced and lowered. Other work was in progress today.

The mayor will be attending an Industrial Seminar through Shelby, Inc.

Roger Perry is waiting for the report from the engineer on upcoming water projects.

Mayor Morris reminded everyone to continue to wear masks and being considerate of others during this pandemic. He also reminded us to support our local businesses.

Council Comment

The Food Pantry give away was discussed. Melissa Rosetta stated it is her understanding Wilsonville has been approved for January through June, 2021. Pam Greene will be notified to submit requests to the council for needed items ahead of purchasing in the future.

Mavis Cohill stated a food truck will be here Wednesday and Thursday of this week. She has another truck interested in coming and will try to get the owner to come to a council meeting.

Richard Atchison stated Rescue 88 will have community meetings concerning proposed charges for services outside any town/city limits. One of the meetings is scheduled January 14th 6:00 P. M., at the Wilsonville Baptist Church. There are rumors going around about this issue, and he suggested everyone attend the meeting to get official and correct information.

Richard Atchison stated he hopes those who were interested in the open council seat consider running in the next election. The town clerk mentioned openings on Town Boards on which they might also consider serving.

Public Comment – There was none.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 P. M.

Ricky Morris, Mayor

Attest