

The Wilsonville Town Council met Monday, January 19, 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 meeting was opened with prayer by Councilman Blake Ray.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Councilman Blake Ray.

Don Belcher, newly appointed to the council, was sworn in by Town Clerk Kay Ray.

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

The minutes of the January 04, 2021, meeting (mailed to the council members before this meeting) were reviewed. There was a correction to paragraph one, page two, final sentence, in which chain link fence was misspelled.

Melissa Rosetta made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction; Larry Lowe 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.

Checks were examined by the council members immediately prior to the meeting. Larry Lowe made a motion to approve the checks for mailing; Blake Ray seconded. The motion passed with the following vote: Melissa Rosetta, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Mavis Cohill, yes; Don Belcher, yes; Richard Atchison, yes.

Mayoral Announcements

The mayor attended a Retail Development Forum. He will have a handout to share later.

Mayor Morris has talked with Chad Scroggins, Shelby County, who has offered help from the county on the fence replacement at Oak Meadow Park. The county will remove the rotten wooden fence with the aid of Wilsonville employees and will install black chain link fencing to match what we already have around the rest of the park. This will cost \$4,900.00, of which the county will pay half. Larry Lowe

stated we should proceed with the project as stated above. If we want to add a privacy feature later, the Town can do that.

The Town Committees and Boards need to be updated. Lauren Kennamer offered to help go over these and help with the update.

Clay Adderholt, Shelby County Highway Department, has a directional sign for the Library. A decision will be made as to where to place the sign.

There were several street signs stolen along Hebb Road. Shelby County is working on the replacement signs.

The mayor is working on getting a name to do some concrete work needed near Fire Station Number 1.

Pam Greene gave a detailed report on the Food Bank project from September through December, 2020. She is resigning as coordinator of this project due to health problems and physical limitations. The mayor thanked Ms. Greene for the work she has done getting this project organized.

The Food Bank distributed food today. A new coordinator will be named.

Roger Perry reported the engineer is working on the list of water projects that need to be done.

Mavis Cohill reported the food trucks are not coming as often right now. They have cut back to coming every other week. She has some new trucks lined up to come in February.

Larry Lowe asked about meeting with a man who is talking about building a brick and mortar restaurant.

Council Comment

Larry Lowe thanked the volunteers who helped remove the wreathes from the Wreathes Across America Project. He asked if anyone knew of a goat owner in the area who might want the wreathes. He has been told goats will eat them!

Blake Ray would like to see the council be able to sit up front at the dais again. This would allow for use of the microphones so members can be heard. He would like to contact Ben Davis, Facilities Manager for Shelby County, about the possibility of getting Plexiglass dividers to put between council members. Richard Atchison and Mavis Cohill agreed. Blake will look into this.

Blake Ray also asked about the removal of the billboard on Highway 25 behind Central Park. He understood it was to be removed at the end of the year. The town clerk will call and remind the company of this.

Councilman Ray also mentioned the upcoming vote concerning creating a district for rescue services. Only residents in unincorporated Shelby County will be voting.

Mavis Cohill asked if there could be an e-mail contact added to the Town website. We will check with Wayne Morris about that.

Melissa Rosetta asked if the council needed to approve the presented expected expense list for the Food Bank Distribution presented by Ms. Greene. This will need to wait until a new coordinator is named.

Larry Lowe asked about the AMIC proposal for adding coverage for storm clean up coverage. This was included in the council packet for examination. It will be on the agenda for the next council meeting.

Melissa Rosetta asked when we will know if we are a city or not. This will be determined by the census count. The census figures have not been published yet. Larry Lowe stated there has been no announcement about the date the figures will be published.

Richard Atchison asked if the council could get a total of what has been paid to The Kelley Group and Triple J Construction on the sidewalk project at the next meeting. The clerk will prepare that.

It was stated we would like to continue the Food Bank project. Blake Ray will be the contact person.

Roger Perry reported there are several Water Department projects the engineer is prioritizing to present. Some of them are: eliminating all of the galvanized lines in the system; water tank conversion, which requires a change in the permit; getting prices from contractors; working on a proposed map. There are twelve or fourteen total items.

Mr. Perry stated fire hydrants have been installed at the Lokey Subdivision.

Lauren Kennamer asked about the striping of parking spaces on South Main Street in front of the businesses and across the street from the businesses.

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, and the motion received unanimous consent.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 P. M.

Ricky Morris, Mayor

Attest