

The Wilsonville Town Council met Monday, December 06, 2021, in the Council Chamber Room at the Wilsonville Town Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ricky Morris at 6:30 P. M.

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, Don Belcher, Mavis Cohill, Lauren Kennamer, Larry Lowe, Blake Ray, Melissa Rosetta.

The minutes of the November 22, 2021, regular council meeting (mailed to the council members before this meeting) were reviewed. Larry Lowe made a motion to approve the minutes, as presented; Don Belcher seconded. The motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Don Belcher, yes; Mavis Cohill, abstain; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

The November, 2021, treasurer's report is not ready for presentation and will be an agenda item for the December 20, 2021, meeting.

Blake Ray made a motion to amend the budget, adding \$7,459.00, to the capital expense line for park and recreation, to cover the expense of the delivery and installation of replacement wood fiber around the playground equipment at Oak Meadow Park; Melissa Rosetta seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, no; Don Belcher, yes; Mavis Cohill, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, no; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

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

Holly Hawkins and Randy Hagerla, representing the Owens House in Columbiana, spoke to the council about the needs of the Owens House. The director has stepped down, and all projects, including the new building project, have been

canceled until money lost during the Covid19 Pandemic can be recouped. Pamphlets were handed out to the council members explaining the decreases in state and federal funding. There are more children in need of their services, but funds are low. Richard Atchison asked how much they would like the Town to donate; they would like a percentage of the Covid Relief Fund money the Town received. Blake Ray asked if only Shelby County uses their services; other counties share, as well. Mavis Cohill would like to tour the Owens House; she was advised to call before coming.

Mayor/Council Comment

The mayor thanked everyone who helped with the Christmas Parade.

Blake Ray reported on the storm shelter situation. The manager of Safe-T Shelter from Hartselle, Alabama, would like to come look at the site behind Fire Station Number 1. Don Belcher asked if we would get a better deal if we did two shelters at the same time. Larry Lowe stated a shelter will be needed on the other side of the railroad tracks. The question was asked about ownership of property next to Fire Station Number 2. Roger Perry stated the Town owns that property. Richard Atchison stated the problem there is there is no parking space and the ground is low and wet.

Melissa Rosetta said the Fine Arts Club will be sponsoring Wreaths Across America, Saturday, December 18, beginning at 11:00 A. M., at the Wilsonville Baptist Church Gym. The mayor and council members are invited and encouraged to attend. If everyone could please let her know, ahead of time, whether or not they will be attending; she needs to know who will be there.

Melissa also announced Blake Ray was named Teacher of the Year for Shelby County.

Councilwoman Rosetta attended the annual RSVP Luncheon. Ten year pins were awarded to the following Wilsonville residents: Linda Bell, Terry Bell, Dianne Dill, Donna Harper, Jim Harper, Anne Phelps, Don Powers, Joyce Saxon, Karen Stamps, and Steven Stamps. The Wilsonville United Methodist Church received a plaque for 5,904 hours of volunteer work.

Councilwoman Rosetta announced the following upcoming Library events: Author Glen Wills will speak, December 16, 6:30 P, M., in the Council Chamber Room; Elsa (Frozen) will be visiting December 17, 2:00 P. M, in the Council Chamber Room.; a special Christmas story time, December 21, 2:00 P. M., in the library.

Larry Lowe thanked the council for letting him flip the switch for the lighting of the Town Christmas Tree in memory of his wife, Barbara.

Larry Lowe stated an extra trailer will be needed for the wreathes when they are shipped. Richard Atchison said his trailer can be used but someone will have to pull it.

Blake Ray said the light at the top of the flag pole is not working and needs to be checked and repaired.

Richard Atchison thanked Mavis Cohill for organizing the Christmas parade and getting everyone in line.

Paula Perry thanked everyone who donated to the Angel Tree. We had ten angels on the tree and they were all taken. She also thanked Mavis Cohill who initiated the project.

Public Comment

Phillip Studimire said the garbage truck is leaving trash on the side of the road when dumping the cans. We need to ask the driver to check on that.

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

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

Ricky Morris, Mayor

Attest