Council Meeting Minutes for August 21st, 2023

The Town Council of the Town of Wilsonville met in the Town Hall Council chamber at 6:30 PM on Monday August 21st 2023. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ricky Morris at 6:30 PM.

Councilman Blake Ray opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Because the incorrect meeting minutes were mailed to the council members before the meeting, they were unable to review the August 7 2023 meeting minutes. They will review the minutes at the next meeting.

Payment of Bills and review.

Council examined the checks prior to the meeting. Larry Lowe had a question about the check made out to Sparky's Electric LLC for \$3691.00. The check was for work completed by Sparky Electric for the Fire Station, Revis Building and Park.

Motion: Larry Lowe motioned to approve paying of bills

Second: Melissa Rosetta seconded

Motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Don Belcher, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

Resolution 230821 (copy attached to these minutes), Policy for Street Light Installations was next on the agenda. Don Belcher noticed that we need to replace the word "City" with "Town" on point one. After some discussion,

Larry Lowe made a motion to approve resolution 230821

Richard Atchison seconded

Motioned passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Don Belcher, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

During discussion of Resolution 230821, Richard Atchison talked about the 123 Street Lights in Wilsonville, and the plan to have them converted to LED lights. Alabama Power will replace the various old-style lights with new LED ones at no cost. There would be a three-year agreement with Alabama Power. Wilsonville currently spends \$1330.76 per month on the Street lights and the projected new cost would be \$1160.00 per month. There was no vote required with this and the council was in accord to have Ricky Morris sign the agreement with Alabama Power.

Next on the agenda, Resolution 230822 (copy attached to these minutes), Town of Wilsonville Water Works Fees. Richard Atchison explained how the Water Committee had met and looked at tap-ons from the last year and determined that they had lost \$8,250.00 under the current fees. The Water Committee

agreed that they needed to adjust the pricing accordingly. This would be the new pricing as of September 1st 2023. After discussion on the new pricing structure including the differences for renters and homeowners, Larry Lowe suggested reviewing the new pricing over the next fiscal year to ensure the town is not continuing to lose money on the Water Works Fees.

Don Belcher made a motion to approve Resolution 230822 Water Works Fees

Blake Ray seconded

Motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Don Belcher, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

Mayor/Council Committee comments:

Richard Atchison gave an update on the Sewer project on McGowen Road saying he believed they were about 3/4 completed with the project

Larry Lowe spoke about the online payment system Pay N Seconds and the service fee involved is \$2.95. On a minimum base water bill that is almost 11% service fee.

The Ballfield/ Yellowleaf Park was property was discussed. Alabama Power is making progress on acquiring the property from Sedgco.

Don Belcher brought up getting Jake Brake signs up with in the city limits. Some citizens of Wilsonville have been asking for something to be done about the noise coming from the engine braking in town. We need to find out from ALDOT the process to get permission for the signs.

Kay Ray mentioned the Council looking at the resolution for the Rebuild America project. Resolution 2023-230821 (copy attached to these minutes) Resolution Adopting Transportation Plan Pursuant To The Rebuild Alabama Act (ACT 2019-2) would allow the Town to reapply for a paving project for the upcoming fiscal year.

Richard Atchison made a motion to pass Resolution 2023-230821

Don Belcher seconded

Motion passed with the following vote: Richard Atchison, yes; Don Belcher, yes; Lauren Kennamer, yes; Larry Lowe, yes; Blake Ray, yes; Melissa Rosetta, yes.

Public Comments:

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 P.M.