

**TOWN OF GOOD HOPE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 10, 2009**

OPEN: The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Corey Harbison at 6:00 p.m. at the Good Hope Town Hall. Invocation was given by John Harris.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Corey Harbison and Council members: John Harris, Maxie Jones, Susan Eller, Jerry Bartlett, and Danny Buchanan were present.

VISITORS: No visitor comments.

MINUTES: Motion to approve adopt July 13, 2009 minutes: Susan Eller. Motion seconded: John Harris. Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the mayor and council.

REPORTS OF COUNCIL

JOHN HARRIS, PLACE ONE: After review by the council and mayor of the previous month's financial report, John made the motion to approve and accept the July 2009 financial report. Maxie seconded the motion. Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the mayor and council.

MAXIE JONES, PLACE TWO: We have done some paving on Owens and Allred roads, cleared back on some road right-of-ways, and a lot of mowing.

SUSAN ELLER, PLACE THREE: Susan asked Grady Parsons to give an update on the pump stations that was previously owned by Jack Alexander and the present owner is Marcus Clark. Grady Parsons of Southwest Water Company stated about three years ago the Town upgraded the upper pump, and it is in good shape now. The lower pump station is in need of upgrading to the same condition as pump station #1. The quotation cost of upgrading the lower pump station will be approximately \$8,780.

Grady also gave an update report on the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

Susan discussed the proposed waterline additions in Good Hope by the City of Cullman. They are proposing a 10" waterline down Reid Road from County Road 222 to County Road 437, and 8" lines for Hathcock and Day Gap Roads. The project will improve pressure, fire protection and reliability of water service to Good Hope residents. All proposed waterlines include fire hydrants to be installed every 1000 feet along each line.

JERRY BARTLETT, PLACE FOUR: Jerry discussed the upcoming Good Hope Fall Festival to be held at the Municipal Park October 10, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., some of the activities that will be held and the Chicken Dressing supper from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall basement. The Chicken Dressing supper tickets will be \$7.00 per plate.

DANNY BUCHANAN, PLACE FIVE: Danny presented the request from the Youth Football to allow them to build a football field at the Town's Municipal Park.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS

TOWN ATTORNEY RESIGNATION

Mayor Corey Harbison stated the Town Attorney Jacqueline Renee Mills, has resigned as the Town's attorney. She will be working in Birmingham. Motion to accept the Town Attorney's resignation: Susan Eller. Motion seconded: Danny Buchanan. Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the mayor and council. Corey stated the mayor and council will be having a work session to interview the attorneys that are interested in being the Attorney for the Town of Good Hope, August 25, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the Town Hall.

SOUTHWEST WATER COMPANY

See Council place three section.

ICE MACHINE FOR BASEMENT

Corey commented that the Senior citizens have their weekly gathering in the basement of the Town Hall each Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. They have asked the Town to put in an ice machine in the basement. The ice machine will cost \$2100.00 and they will pay \$600.00 toward the ice machine. Corey stated the ice machine will be used by the seniors, the employees, and the people who rent the basement for family gatherings and showers. Jerry Bartlett made the motion for the Town to pay \$1500.00 and the seniors to pay \$600.00 for an ice machine to be installed in the basement of the Town Hall. John Harris seconded the motion. Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the mayor and council.

MAYOR REQUEST FOR SOUTHWEST WATER COMPANY

Corey asked Grady Parsons of Southwest Water Company to provide information on sewer rates and impact fees for neighboring and comparable sewer systems.

CLOSE: Susan made the motion to close the council meeting. Jerry seconded the motion. The council meeting was closed at 6:30 p.m. with the consent of the mayor and council.