

**CITY OF GOOD HOPE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 26, 2012**

OPEN: The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Corey Harbison at 6:30 P.M at the Good Hope City Hall. Invocation was given by John Harris.

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

MINUTES: Danny Buchanan made the motion to approve and adopt the March 12, 2012 council meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Susan Eller. Roll call vote: unanimous yeah votes by the Mayor and Council.

REPORT OF COUNCIL

PLACE ONE: John asks the council to review the bank balances of each account.

PLACE TWO: No Report

PLACE THREE: Susan stated that the bid opening was March 14, 2012. There were 8 contractors who submitted a bid for the Mayfair sewer project. The lowest bid was \$209,631.00 from Benchmark Contracting. Wynn Echols with Engineers of the South advised the council he believed the contractor would do a good job on the project and that they would be monitored close. Danny made a motion to accept the bid from Benchmark. The motion was seconded by Susan Eller. Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the Mayor and Council.

The council discussed the terms of the tie of between the homeowners and the City. A motion was made by Susan to allow the homeowners a 6 month grace period to tie into the city's line with no impact fee. After 6 months the customer will be responsible for the current impact fee for the time they decide to tie in. The motion was seconded by Maxie.

Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the Mayor and Council.

PLACE FOUR: JERRY BARTLETT: No Report

PLACE FIVE: DANNY BUCHANAN: Danny stated that opening day for ball starts Saturday, March 31, 2012.

RESOLUTION, ORDINANCE, ORDERS, AND OTHER BUSINESS

CULLMAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE CONTRACT:

The council discussed the City of Cullman is turning all of their billing over to the Cullman Electric Cooperative and will no longer be able to collect sewer fees for the City of Good Hope. The Cullman Electric Cooperative has sent an agreement to collect sewer fees for the City of Good Hope. It will be a one year contract and they will charge .88 cents per customer Susan made the motion to accept the agreement. The motion was seconded by John. Unanimous yeah votes by the Mayor and Council.

FREEMAN ROAD:

Corey stated that due to the disrepair of Freeman Road he had the road crew to gravel the road that was once chip sealed. He asked the council to approve \$20,000.00 for base work on the road and \$25,000.00 to finish up the project with a chip seal surface. A motion was made by Danny to allow the funds for the project. Susan seconded the motion. . Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the Mayor and Council.

JAMES DAVENPORT ANNEXATION:

Corey stated that he had a petition of annexation from James Davenport to annex his land on County Road 469 into the City of Good Hope. The property does touch the city limits. A motion was made by Susan to suspend the rules. The motion was seconded by Susan. Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the Mayor and Council. A motion was made was made by Susan to pass an Ordinance to accept the annexation petition. The motion was seconded by John. Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the Mayor and Council.

LERORY AND LINDA POPE ANNEXATION:

Corey stated that he had received a request from Leroy and Linda Pope to annex their property along County Road 222 into the City of Good Hope. This property does not touch the city limits and would require a legislative act to bring it in. The council discussed concerns about sewer service to the property. Corey stated that he had advised the Popes that the City could not get sewer to them. A motion was made by John to pass a resolution to proceed as required by law to annex the pope property into the City of Good Hope. The notice shall be published in the local news paper for four consecutive weeks.

CLOSE:

John made a motion to close the council meeting. The motion was seconded by Susan. . Roll call vote: unanimous yea votes by the Mayor and Council.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF _____ 2012.

Corey Harbison

ATTEST:

Lisa Dahlke