

## **Meeting of the Vilonia City Council**

### **March 21, 2017**

**The Vilonia City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor James Firestone.**

**Members present – Clay Heslep, Skip Cates, Sherry Clements, Joe Maxwell and Jim King. Absent-Kathy French. A quorum was declared.**

**Approval of minutes from meeting in February –Councilman King made a motion to approve, Councilwoman Clements 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion carried.**

**Approval of financial statement for February -Councilwoman Clements made a motion to approve, Councilman Cates 2<sup>nd</sup> and the motion carried.**

**Announcements -None**

**Emergency Management -The Mayor mentioned that Keith Hillman was teaching a Hazard Material Class and could not be at the meeting so no report was given. Councilman Heslep said Clint Tucker puts on a tournament once a year for the needy (Pay It Forward). We have a fireman Odell Martin who has cancer and we want to do something for him and we have suggested April 22<sup>nd</sup> as the date for this. The Mayor said that was a bad date as it conflicts with the dedication of the chapel at the Military Museum. Councilman Heslep said we will pick another date and get back with the council on this.**

**Planning Commission – No report given.**

**Police Department – No report given.**

**Parks & Rec -No report given. The Mayor mentioned we will have close to 300 kids involved. He said the baseball tryouts will be around the 4<sup>th</sup> of April.**

**Chamber of Commerce -No report given.**

**Senior Citizens -No report given. Marshall said they are still planning on the Rook, Domino and Skip-Bo Tournament. Councilman Cates stated the tournament will be held next Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday with meals being served each night.**

**Sewer Department – No report given.**

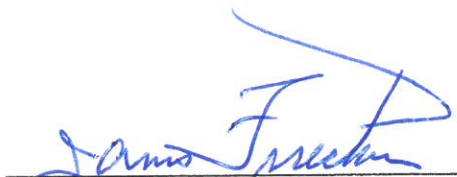
**Councilman King mentioned that our fire and police department came to our church last Thursday Night and did one of the best presentations on what to do if a shooter shows up at the church and how do we handle it. Also what to do in an emergency situation of the church service. They did an excellent job of teaching and explaining and helping people and they did it in a most professional manner. The Mayor said you don't think about this but at this day and time you need to be prepared if an emergency occurs.**

**Old Business -None**

**New Business -A) Proclamation Arkansas Gives Day -The Mayor read said proclamation which designates April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as Arkansas Gives Day. The Mayor asked a representative for Arkansas Gives if they would like to speak. That person stated this would be the last year for Arkansas Gives. We have over 900 Participates. Our goal is to raise \$5 million dollars this year. This would make a 3 yr. grand total of giving of \$10 million for individual donors. The Mayor said he hoped everyone would be in a giving mood on April the 6<sup>th</sup>.**

**Ordinance 2017-1 Building Permit Fees -The Mayor said if it's alright with everyone he would like to pull this ordinance from the agenda and bring it back up next month as I feel there is more work to do on the ordinance. Everyone agreed.**

**Adjournment – There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.**

  
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**Mayor**

  
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**Recorder/Treasurer**

**Date** 4-18-2017