

ORDINANCE 2026-03

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY OF VILONIA, ARKANSAS APPROVING THE CONVERSION AND RECONSTITUTION OF THE VILONIA WATERWORKS ASSOCIATION PUBLIC FACILITIES BOARD INTO A PUBLIC WATER AUTHORITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE SOUTHEAST FAULKNER COUNTY PUBLIC WATER AUTHORITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH A.C.A. § 4-35-201 ET. AL.; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, The City of Vilonia, Arkansas (the “City”), previously authorized the creation of the Vilonia Waterworks Association Public Facilities Board (the “PFB”) pursuant to applicable Arkansas law and City Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, The PFB has provided water services to residents within and surrounding the City for many years; and

WHEREAS, The PFB desires to convert and reconstitute itself as a public water authority pursuant to the provisions of Arkansas Code Annotated § 4-35-201 *et. al.*; and

WHEREAS, The proposed conversion will allow the entity to operate more efficiently, access additional financing opportunities, and continue providing reliable water service to its customers; and

WHEREAS, The PFB has completed and approved the necessary paperwork and adopted a resolution approving such conversion and has requested approval from the City as required by law; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of Vilonia, Arkansas finds that the conversion and reconstitution of the PFB into a public water authority is in the best interest of the citizens of the City and the PFB’s surrounding service areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF VILONIA, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1.

The City Council hereby approves the conversion and reconstitution of the Vilonia Waterworks Association Public Facilities Board into a public water authority in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated § 4-35-201 *et. al.*.

SECTION 2.

The public water authority shall be known as the Southeast Faulkner County Public Water Authority.

SECTION 3.

The conversion shall include all rights, powers, duties, assets, mains, hydrants, meters, valves, standpipes, storage tanks, pumping tanks, intakes, wells, purification plants, vehicles, real property (see addendum A), all property listed in the most current state audit, liabilities, contracts, and obligations of the PFB, which shall continue uninterrupted in full force and effect under the newly constituted public water authority, as provided by law.

SECTION 4.

The officers and governing body of the newly formed public water authority shall be established in accordance with applicable Arkansas statutes and the organizing documents of the authority.

SECTION 5.

The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the intent of this Ordinance.

SECTION 6.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 7.

The provisions of this ordinance are severable. If any provision hereof shall be held to be invalid, such holding of invalidity shall not affect the validity of applicability of the remainder of the provisions hereof.

SECTION 8.

An emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 29 day of July 2026.

APPROVED:



Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk

ADDENDUM A

Comprehensive Inventory of Assets Owned, Operated, or Maintained by VWA Within the City Limits of Vilonia

This inventory is intended to constitute a comprehensive listing of all vehicles, equipment, buildings, infrastructure, appurtenances, easements, records, and all other real and personal property owned, operated, or maintained by Vilonia Waterworks Association Public Facilities Board (VWA) within the municipal boundaries of the City of Vilonia.

Vehicles

- 2 × Ram 3500 Service Trucks
- 1 × Ram 3500 Dump Truck
- 1 × Ram 2500 Truck
- 10 × Ram 1500 Trucks

Trailers

- 2 × Tilt-Bed Equipment Trailers
- 2 × Utility Trailers
- 1 × Lawnmower Trailer

Equipment

- 2 × Kubota Mini Excavators
- 1 × Kubota Tractor
- 1 × Kubota Lawnmower

Buildings

- Office Building – 19 Industrial Drive
- Shop Building – Industrial Drive

Public Water Distribution System Assets

- All fire hydrants located within the city limits
- All water meters located within the city limits
- All water service lines within the city limits
- All water transmission mains within the city limits
- All water distribution mains within the city limits
- All water valves, including gate valves, butterfly valves, and other distribution valves

- All valve boxes and valve covers
- All fittings, couplings, mechanical joints, and related appurtenances
- All water service connections and curb stops
- All pressure-reducing valves and pressure-sustaining valves
- All blow-off assemblies and flushing hydrants
- All air release and air vacuum valves
- All meter boxes and meter pits
- All water main crossings and associated appurtenances
- All system identification markers and locator posts
- All water storage facilities, including tanks and reservoirs
- All booster pump stations and associated equipment
- All Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) equipment, telemetry systems, and communications equipment
- All generators serving the water distribution system
- All easements and rights-of-way associated with the public water distribution system
- All maps, engineering plans, as-built drawings, records, GIS data, and documentation pertaining to the public water distribution system
- All other assets, infrastructure, fixtures, appurtenances, equipment, improvements, and real or personal property owned, operated, or maintained by VWA as part of the public water distribution system within the city limits.