

Dear Board:

I am sure you are all still reeling from the difficult news of the last few days. I should report that the morale of the employees of the Town has been seriously damaged by the unfolding sequence of events. All of us here had a glowing view of Gene and his general popularity with all of us has made his arrest doubly difficult for all of us. Regardless of how difficult the charges levied against Gene are for us to accept I must inform you that the information obtained by Woodfin Police was reviewed by the District Attorney's office prior to obtaining warrants. The fact that DA believes there is enough evidence to obtain a conviction indicates the strength of the evidence gathered by our officers.

While all of us are still trying to accept this news I expect that there are people in Town who will never believe that the man they know and love as Gene Wills could ever have committed the crimes which he has been charged with, regardless of the evidence. Therefore I would like to advise the Board to be prepared for the chance that we may have some citizens interested in demonstrating their support for Gene by coming to the public forum. Obviously this is an emotionally charged issue for many of us and I would like the Board to be prepared for a potentially difficult meeting.

I do not know of any plans that might disrupt the meeting, but I think the Board should be prepared to hear a variety of complaints about the investigation, the media coverage of the arrest, and testimonials to Gene's character.

Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Yours truly,

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Town of Woodfin
Board of Aldermen Meeting
June 21, 2005
6:30 P.M.

Pre-Meeting-During the Pre-Meeting the Board of Aldermen will informally review the various issues on the agenda for purposes of clarification.

Meeting

Meeting Call to Order

Invocation by Reverend Clark Henderson of Newbridge Baptist Church

Approval of Consent Agenda

Executive Session - *the Board of Aldermen will adjourn to chambers to discuss legal and personnel matters pertaining to the Town of Woodfin.*

As you are all aware by now Gene Wills had resigned his position with the Town. I would like to recommend to the Board that Johnny Brooks be given the title of Interim Public Works Director and given an opportunity to see if he is able to handle the job. I would propose a 90 day trial period, after which time the Board can determine if Mr. Brooks is performing as needed. I have great confidence in Johnny's abilities and work ethic. I feel strongly that he will be able to best manage the department and would like the Board to consider his long service with the Town.

Public Forum-*Citizens may address the Board concerning various topics after being recognized by the Mayor.*

Consent Agenda

- I. Approval of Agenda
- II. Approval of the Minutes
- III. Approval of the Check Register

New Business

- I. Consideration of a Resolution on the Matter of Vacating a Public Road.

This is the same resolution the Board passed last month. It calls for a public hearing on July 19, 2005. The very specific laws governing public notice for a road closing were not adhered to due to my absence during and after the birth of my daughter. Therefore I would like the Board to set a new date for the public hearing so that we can legally consider the closing of the unpaved portion of Norton Drive. I apologize for having to bring this matter back before the Board.

- II. Public Hearing on the 2005-06 Annual Budget.

The Board will need to open a public hearing so that members of the public may ask questions or raise concerns related to the budget. As of today we have had no citizen inquires regarding the budget despite a legal ad in the Citizen-Times and a large feature article on local budgets which advised citizens of its availability for review. I do not anticipate much public debate.

- III. Consideration of an Ordinance establishing the 2005-06 Annual Budget for the Town of Woodfin.

After the public hearing is closed the Board will consider the Budget Ordinance. This is contained in the budget copy you have received and is outlined on pages 17-20 of the budget. This portion of the budget is the official governing document for the Town's finances.

- IV. Resolution setting a Date for a Public Hearing on a Proposed Modification of the Fence Ordinance.

Attached you will find a proposed fence ordinance that has been developed by the Planning and Zoning Board. They have requested that the Board consider this amendment to the zoning code. If you choose to do so we must set a date for a public hearing on the matter with the attached resolution.

Reports

I. Police Report

Chief Holloman will be absent due to his annual vacation. Sgt. Roberts will report to the Board at the meeting.

II. Parks and Recreation Report

Delivered by Ms. Maney.

III. Public Works Report

Delivered by me with assistance from Johnny Brooks.

IV. Administration Report

Adjournment