

MINUTES

Montevallo City Council Work Session

October 12, 2026

5:30 p.m. at City Hall

Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member Lelia Mitchell, Council Member Brandelyn Nelson, Council Member Alyssa Green. Absent: Council Member David King and Council Member Kenneth Dukes. Quorum present.

Work Session Called to Order at 5:30 PM by Mayor Nix with Quorum present.

Discussion of New Business Items:

- **Discussion of Resolution 10122026 – 735** a Resolution declaring certain items as surplus City property to be sold at public Auction.
- **Discussion of Request from Kathy King** on behalf of the Shoal Creek Park Foundation to install panels for interpretive signage at two kiosks installed on the Cemetery Trail at Shoal Creek Park.
- **Discussion of Request from Finance Committee** for use of funds from the Sanitation Account for the purchase of a new Bobcat Skid Steer Loader from Loader Services. Sourcewell Pricing State Bid List in the amount of \$84,275.31.
- **Discussion of Request to renew contract with VC3 for hosting of City website** - 4-year term, includes necessary upgrades to comply with ADA website mandates. (Mandatory by April 2028).

Other Business: Request for matching funds in the amount of \$25,000 for Parks and Recreation Grant: Restrooms/ Storage Building at multi-purpose fields; Grant \$100,000.

Mayor Nix called for Committee Reports:

Mayor Nix called on Chief Burr for the Police Department report. Chief Burr reported there were 79 Reports in September and 820 Total Reports for the Year. See Appendix 1.

Mayor Nix called on Chief Davis for the Fire Department report. Chief Davis reported there were 138 Calls for September and 1,211 Total Calls for the Year. See Appendix 2.

Mayor Nix called on Sarah Shaw for the Impact Montevallo report. Sarah reported Impact will be participating in National Night Out with the SPOT Trailer, MHS Homecoming Parade Thursday, and serving as judges for the MHS Parade Floats; Impact has hired Mary Elizabeth House to work part-time assisting with community outreach activities, peer-to-peer support programs, education initiatives, and social media; Red Ribbon Week will be held October 26th – 30th and the theme is "Be A Hero, Live Drug-Free," there is multiple activities planned for the youth and community and we invite you to participate in the Impact Community Challenge being held on Tuesday, October 27th at Theron Fisher Stadium; Impact will be participating in Hometown Halloween and Day of the Dead Festival. See Appendix 3.

Montevallo City Council Meeting

October 12, 2026

6:00 p.m. at City Hall

Present: Mayor Rusty Nix, Council Member Lelia Mitchell, Council Member Brandelyn Nelson, Council Member Alyssa Green. Absent: Council Member David King and Council Member Kenneth Dukes. Quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Meeting was called to order at 6 PM by Mayor Rusty Nix.

Invocation Chief Todd Burr gave the invocation.

Approval and/ or corrections of the Minutes: 09.28.26 Minutes - Motion made by Council Member Mitchell, Seconded by Council Member Nelson, All Ayes, Motion Passed.

Recognitions/Awards: None

Opportunities for Citizens to speak to the Council: None

Public Health & Safety (Police, Fire Code Enforcement, Impact, Housing Abatement, Annexation) - Reported during City Council Work Session.

Sustainability (Streets & Sanitation, Recycling, Arbor & Beautification, Environmental, Historical Comm.) - Reported during City Council Meeting.

Recreation and Community Development (Parks & Recreation, Vallo Cycle, Youth Athletics, Trails) - Reported during City Council Meeting.

Education, Arts & Outreach (Schools, UM, Boys & Girls Club, Library, American Village, Sister City Commission, Art Walk, MJCC) - Reported during City Council Meeting.

Finance, Economic Development & Tourism (Finance, MDCD, IDB, Chamber, Main Street, Planning and Zoning) - Reported during City Council Meeting.

Mayor Nix called for Committee Reports to Continue:

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Mitchell for the Sustainability Reports. Council Member Mitchell called on Kirk Hamby, Head of Public Works. Kirk reported Public Works reported the department hauled 16.9 tons on Free Landfill Day; overall during the recent storm there was minimal damage.

Council Member Mitchell reported the Historical Preservation Commission meeting was held the last Tuesday, October 6th at the library.

Council Member Mitchell reported the Arbor and Beautification Board cancelled their meeting to attend National Night Out.

Mayor Nix called on Council Member Green for the Recreation and Community Development Reports. Council Member Green called on Sydney Baugh, Park Director for the Youth Athletic and Senior Center

Reports. Sydney reported that youth football is underway; youth basketball registration is open online and there are several in-person dates being held at the Scout Lodge; she reported this year they will be hosting the cheer competition on November 1st and hosting the Championship on November 14th; the seniors will be participating in Music Mornings at Heardmont Park this Wednesday and their Fall Party will be held Friday, October 30th and everyone is welcome.

Council Member Green reported Montevallo native Kobe Cottingham earned his 3rd gold medal in cheer.

Mayor Nix called for on Council Member Nelson for the Education Arts & Outreach Reports. Council Member Nelson thanked everyone who came out to the University of Montevallo's Flock Party last week; the inauguration ceremony for the new president, Dr. Michelle Johnston was amazing.

Mayor Nix called for the Finance and Economic Development Reports.

Mayor Nix reported the Finance Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 27th at 4 PM in Council Chambers and the meeting is open to the public.

Mayor Nix called on Adele Nelson, Executive Director, Montevallo Chamber of Commerce. Adele reported the Chamber will be participating in National Night Out; the Chamber will partner with the Library to sponsor the Annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest; Pre-Orders are being taken for the Montevallo Pecan Sale; October Chamber Luncheon will be October 21st and the speaker will be Dr. Michelle Johnston, UM President; Montevallo Hometown Halloween will be Friday, October 30th; the Chamber will be assisting with the 4th annual Day of the Dead event on Sunday, November 1st; Adele reported HGTV has reached out to the Chamber and they are doing a state-by-state guide for unusual festivals and Tinglewood has been selected to be included in the guide. See Appendix 4.

Mayor Nix reported Planning and Zoning will meet October 15th at 6 PM in Council Chambers and is open to the public. Data Center definitions and conditional usage will be discussed.

Mayor Nix reported there would be a Zoning Board of Adjustments meeting on Tuesday, October 13th at 5 PM in Council Chambers.

Consent to Pay the Bills: Mayor Nix asked for a Motion to Pay the Bills. Council Member Mitchell made a motion to pay the bills, Seconded by Council Member Green, All Ayes. Motion Passed.

New Business:

- **Resolution 10122026 – 735** a Resolution declaring certain items as surplus City property to be sold at public Auction. Motion made by Council Member Nelson, Seconded by Council Member Green, All Ayes, Motion Passed. See Appendix 5.
- **Request from Kathy King** on behalf of the Shoal Creek Park Foundation to install panels for interpretive signage at two kiosks installed on the Cemetery Trail at Shoal Creek Park. (Text of signage Appendix 1). Motion made by Council Member Mitchell, Seconded by Council Member Green, All Ayes, Motion Passed. See Appendix 6.
- **Request from Finance Committee** for use of funds from the Sanitation Account for the purchase of a new Bobcat Skid Steer Loader from Loader Services. Sourcewell Pricing State Bid List in the amount

of \$84,275.31. Motion made by Council Member Mitchell, Seconded by Council Member Green, All Ayes, Motion Passed. See Appendix 7.

- **Request to renew contract with VC3 for hosting of City website** – 4-year term, includes necessary upgrades to comply with ADA website mandates. (Mandatory by April 2028). Motion made by Council Member Nelson, Seconded by Council Member Mitchell, All Ayes, Motion Passed. See Appendix 8.

Old Business: None

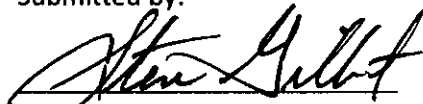
Board Appointments: None

Other Business: Shelby County Grant: Request for city-match funds of \$25,000 (25%) to receive grant funds in the amount of \$75,000; total project is \$100,000 for multi-purpose field, restrooms, small storage area, and small concession stand. Motion made by Council Member Mitchell, Seconded by Council Member Nelson, All Ayes, Motion Passed.

Citizen Participation: Bobby C.P. Pierson, 1131 SW Oak St asked if there might be signage like the Historical Markers for events such as Tinglewood.

Adjourn: Mayor Nix called for a Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Council Member Mitchell, Seconded by Council Member Green, All Ayes. Meeting adjourned at 6:19 PM.

Submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Gilbert", written over a horizontal line.

Steve Gilbert
City Clerk / Treasurer

APPENDIX 1

	January-26	February-26	March-26	April-26	May-26	June-26	July-26	August-26	September-26	October-26	November-26	December-26	Total
Total Reports	93	104	88	92	121	90	57	96	79		0	0	820
Criminal Cases	70	79	58	71	90	60	40	78	60				606
Non-Criminal	23	25	30	21	31	30	17	18	19				214
Traffic Accidents	4	12	14	11	12	6	8	18	11				96
Traffic Citations	63	66	60	79	48	74	45	106	105				646
DUI Arrests	5	7	2	4	8	4	5	6	4				45
Public Intox Arr	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	7	0				17
Alias Arrests	11	12	10	8	10	11	6	7	3				78
Juvenile Arrests	1	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	1				7
Misd Arrests	11	6	11	13	10	0	5	13	12				81
Felony Arrests	4	7	4	4	4	6	2	5	5				41
Drug Related	6	16	8	11	12	7	3	6	5				74
Total Arrest	39	49	39	41	49	30	22	44	24		0	0	343
Auto Thefts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
Burglaries	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	6	0				7
Auto Recoveries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
Auto Burglaries	2	1	1	0	0	4	2	1	1				12
Criminal Mischief	0	1	0	2	1	1	1	1	0				7
DV. Related	6	5	3	5	10	4	7	8	2				50
Assaults	1	1	1	3	1	0	0	0	0				7
Fraud/Forgery	1	1	1	1	0	2	1	0	0				7
Harass / Reck	5	5	2	3	2	4	1	4	3				29
Misc. Offenses	24	23	28	23	32	42	11	30	28				241
Robberies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				0
Sex Crimes/Other	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				2
Thefts / Attempts	9	8	3	8	2	2	0	2	6				40
Suicide / Attempts	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0				1
Deaths	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1				4

2026 Montevallo Fire And Rescue Events by Type

Report Date: 10/1/2026

APPENDIX 2

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
ABDOMINAL PAIN/INJURY		6	2	1	5	4	2	3	1	6	30
ADMIN EVENT	ADMIN EVENT FIRE SERVICE	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
ALARM	BURGLARY ALARM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM	1	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	5
	COMMERCIAL BURGLARY ALARM	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
	COMMERCIAL FIRE ALARM	2	4	2	2	2	3	2	3	1	21
	MEDICAL ALARM	3	1	6	6	1	5	3	3	2	30
	RESIDENTIAL FIRE ALARM	6	2	2	2	5	5	1	4	4	31
	SCHOOL/CHURCH FIRE ALARM	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
ALLERGIC REACTIONS		2	2	2	1	0	0	4	2	0	13
ALTERED MENTAL STATUS		7	2	4	8	5	8	10	8	11	63
ANIMAL	ANIMAL BITE/ATTACK	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
ASSAULT		1	1	3	1	1	2	3	5	2	19
BACK PAIN/INJURY		1	0	1	2	1	0	0	1	1	7
BLEEDING		3	0	2	3	5	2	4	1	4	24
BREATHING PROBLEMS		11	8	11	11	13	12	9	11	9	95
BURN INJURIES		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CARDIAC	CARDIAC ARREST - ADULT	1	0	1	2	2	5	1	1	2	15
	CARDIAC ARREST - CHILD	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
CHEST PAIN		10	13	6	11	9	11	8	9	6	83
CHOKING	CHOKING - ADULT	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2
	CHOKING - INFANT	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	CHOKING CHILD	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
DIABETIC RELATED		4	3	1	4	2	1	1	3	2	21
DRUG OVERDOSE		2	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	0	7
ELECTROCUTION		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
EXTREMITY INJURIES		1	1	8	6	7	7	6	7	7	50
EYE INJURY		0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
FALL	FALL FROM STANDING POSITION	5	9	3	5	1	4	9	5	4	45
FD ASSIST	CHILD LOCKED IN CAR	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	5
	LAW ENFORCEMENT	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	4
	LIFTING ASSISTANCE	9	6	10	5	12	2	10	6	6	66
	MUTUAL AID	1	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	4	12
	OTHER AGENCY	0	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	1	9
	PUBLIC	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	1	6
	TREE DOWN	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
	WITH WATER	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
FIRE	APPLIANCE FIRE	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
	BRUSH / WOODS FIRE	4	4	3	2	2	1	0	3	3	22
	BURN COMPLAINT	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
	COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE FIRE	2	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	0	8
	DUMPSTER FIRE	3	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	7
	RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE FIRE	6	6	3	4	2	2	3	2	1	29
	TRANSFORMER / POLE FIRE	0	0	0	1	6	5	1	0	5	18
	VEHICLE FIRE	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	5
GAS	GASOLINE / DIESEL SPILL	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
	NATURAL / PROPANE GAS LEAK	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	5

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GENERAL ILLNESS		20	19	22	9	14	14	19	18	12	147
GUNSHOT	SHOOTING WITH INJURIES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
HEAD/NECK INJURY		1	2	1	1	3	2	2	4	1	17
HEADACHE		2	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	6
HEART PROBLEMS		2	4	10	7	5	5	11	17	10	71
HEAT PROBLEMS		0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	3
MVC	MVC - CHECK FOR INJURIES	3	5	8	6	6	3	8	3	4	46
	MVC - PEDESTRIAN INVOLVED	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
	MVC WITH INJURIES	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	2	9
NOTE IN CAD		1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
OB/GYN PATIENT		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
ODOR	ODOR OF ELECTRICAL	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	5
	ODOR OF PROPANE / NATURAL GAS	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
PERSON	PERSON DOWN	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	7
POSSIBLE STROKE		0	6	3	1	4	2	4	2	0	22
SEIZURE		2	2	4	3	0	1	2	1	2	17
SUICIDE ATTEMPT		0	1	1	2	2	0	0	3	2	11
TEST CALL		0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2
TRAUMATIC INJURY		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
UNRESPONSIVE PERSON		7	8	6	3	3	5	6	7	10	55
UTILITY LINES DOWN		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Total		137	126	141	124	129	126	145	145	138	1,211

City Council Meeting: October 12, 2026

Ms. Sarah Hogan Shaw, program director provided the following report:

-  **October Schedule:** This is another busy week.
- I will be assisting with the set-up for National Night Out tomorrow and at the event tomorrow night, Impact will have the SPOT Trailer and an information booth.
 - Impact will be participating in the Homecoming Parade on Thursday evening. Along with having a vehicle in the parade, we are also serving as judges for the High School floats. We greatly enjoy this partnership with the high school and look forward to cheering on our youth.
-  **Program Assistant:** I'm excited to share that Impact has hired Ms. Mary Elizabeth House, freshman at UM and former Montevillo Junior City Council Mayor, to work part-time with us as a program assistant. She will be assisting with community outreach activities, peer-to-peer support programs and education initiatives through print and social media.
-  **Red Ribbon Week:** Red Ribbon Week is fast approaching and we have been finalizing all the week's activities with our school and community partners. Red Ribbon Week will be held the last week in October, the 26th thru the 30th. This year's theme is Be A Hero, Live Drug-Free.
- Dress-Up Days for the schools are being finalized and will be released on the students return to school on Wednesday and on our social media.
 - Impact will host Lunch time trivia at each school one day of the week.
 - We are excited to continue our Challenge event this year, the Impact Community Challenge will be held on Tuesday, October 27 from 4 – 6 at the football stadium. This year's teams are open to all ages, youth and community are encouraged to sign up. The event consists of relay challenges such as a water balloon toss, sack race, hula hoop pass, back to back relay, the color run and tug-a-war. Our theme is Compete. Connect. Celebrate. This event is a fun way to bring youth and community mentors together to celebrate living a drug-free lifestyle. We will be accepting 6 person relay teams. I've provided you each with a flyer. We would welcome teams of local organizations, groups, businesses, maybe even some Council members or city employees.
 - On Thursday we are partnering with the schools on the Heroes at Home event, a parent night with information on internet and phone safety and drug/alcohol and vape education. We will have our SPOT Trailer available for the event. The event also includes the annual Fall Fiesta with fun activities for kids. Food trucks will also be available for the event.
 - We will be participating in Hometown Halloween on that Friday and the Day of the Dead Festival on that Sunday.

We hope you find a way to join us in celebrating this year's Red Ribbon Week and living drug-free.



COMPETE, CONNECT, CELEBRATE!



ARE YOU UP FOR THE CHALLENGE?
TEAM-UP FOR RED RIBBON WEEK!

YOUTH *VS* COMMUNITY

OPEN TO ALL MONTEVALLO YOUTH & ADULT ORGANIZATIONS, GROUPS, BUSINESSES, ETC. LET'S COME TOGETHER TO COMPETE, CONNECT & CELEBRATE!

**TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 27, 2026
4:00 - 6:00
FISHER STADIUM**

RELAYS



WATER BALLOON TOSS

Toss water balloons into a bucket, but don't break them. "Targeting a Drug-Free Life"



SACK RACE

Race 15 yards in a sack. "Sack Bad Habits"



HULA HOOP PASS

Pass a hula hoop along a human chain without breaking contact. "Overcoming Peer Pressure Together"



BACK TO BACK RELAY

Stand Back to Back with a playground ball between you and race 10 yards. "Back Each Other to Stay Drug-Free"



COLOR RUN

Relay race around the track. "Run Away From Drugs"



TUG-A-WAR

Teams compete in bracket. "Pull Together Against Drugs"

6-PERSON RELAY TEAMS



SCAN ME

SCAN FOR MORE
INFORMATION &
TO SIGN YOUR
TEAM UP!



LET'S HAVE SOME FUN &
WIN BIG \$ & BRAGGING RIGHTS!

**WIN UP TO \$500
FOR YOUR GROUP!**

MONTEVALLO COMMUNITY

FALL FIESTA AND

HEROES AT HOME PARENT NIGHT

October 29th, 2026
Montevallo High School

FOOD TRUCKS

- 5:30 pm-7:30 pm
- Food Items/Food Truck
- MHS Student Parking Lot

PARENTS

6 pm Heroes at Home Parent Information

- Presentation on Internet/Phone Safety
- Drug/Alcohol/Vape Education
- SPOT Trailer

SPEAKERS/ PERFORMERS

- Mason Helix-Juvenile Court
- St. Thomas Folklorico Ballet
Dancers
- Montevallo SRO's

KIDS

Fall Fiesta

- Pumpkin Crafts
- Loteria with prizes
- Face Painting

Food Trucks: 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Event Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Chamber / City Council Report

10/12/2026

1) Montevallo Chamber will be participating in the **Montevallo's National Night Out** on Tuesday October 13 from 5:30-7:30pm at the Pecan Grove with popcorn, pizza & prizes

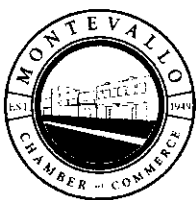
2) Montevallo Chamber will partner with Parnell Library to sponsor the **Annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest** starting Oct. 16

3) Taking Pre-Orders for **Montevallo Pecan Sale** / one pound bag of fresh shelled pecans \$15.00 each / deadline Oct. 16 with a pick-up date before Thanksgiving. Benefits the Montevallo Community Grant Fund

4) **October Chamber Luncheon** / 21st WEDNESDAY "UM Update" Speaker: Dr. Michelle R. Johnston, UM President / UM Student Retreat / 11:30am / Lunch - noon / \$15. each *RSVP* by Friday Oct. 16 to 205-665-1519 or montevallochamber@gmail.com

5) **Montevallo Hometown Halloween** Friday Oct. 30th 3:30-5pm Downtown

6) Montevallo Chamber will be assisting with the 4th annual **Day of the Dead** event on Sun. Nov. 1st / 2-9pm at Pecan Grove



Adele Nelson

Executive Director

Montevallo Chamber of Commerce

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APPENDIX 5

Resolution 10122026-735

A Resolution Authorizing the Surplus of Certain City Vehicles and City Equipment

WHEREAS, the City desires to surplus certain vehicles and equipment and to make those vehicles and equipment named herein available for sale at public auction

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEVALLO, ALABAMA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Council hereby declares the following as Surplus City Property, for sale at Public Auction.

1. 1990 Ford F-450 Truck W/ Dump Body VIN 1FDXF46FXXEE51641
2. 1989 GMC Cab and Chassis VIN 1GDJR34W9KF702369
3. 2009 TAKEUCHI Skid Steer Loader Serial Number 21302767 2469 Total Hours
4. 1983 Diesel Generator Allis Chalmers Powered Serial Number 3D-64589
5. Flail Mower Serial Number 70835 Model FH 174
6. 2002 Natural Gas Powered Generac Generator 100 KW Serial Number 2067205
7. Toro Reel Mower (not running) Property Sticker 001396
8. 1999 Bel Air Groom Master Sand Drag Serial Number 99000299
9. 1997 Kawasaki Mule Unknown Serial or Model Number

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 124th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2026.

Signed:

Attest:

Rusty Nix
Mayor

Steve Gilbert
City Clerk / Treasurer



A SACRED LANDSCAPE

Shoal Creek

FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS, NATIVE PEOPLES TRAVELED, HUNTED, AND LIVED IN THIS LANDSCAPE. ARCHAEOLOGICAL EVIDENCE DATES HUMAN ACTIVITY HERE TO BEFORE 750 BC. AN INDIAN TRAIL LATER BECAME A POSTAL ROUTE AND OLD STAGECOACH ROAD. BY THE 1820S, BAPTISTS ESTABLISHED A LOG MEETINGHOUSE NEARBY, WITH AN ADJOINING CEMETERY CONTAINING FRONTIER-ERA GRAVES.

A Ground with Many Histories

The remains of a church graveyard in the northeast corner of Shoal Creek Park, which dates to the 1820s, harks back to the days of frontier settlement in central Alabama. The region was known as the Old Southwest.

White settlers and the enslaved people they brought with them came as part of the first surge of western expansion of our new nation. Early farming families settled in this area after the Treaty of Fort Jackson (1814) brought an end to the Creek Wars and made land available on terms extremely favorable to men who had fought on the winning side of the wars. The Creek Nation was forced to cede nearly 22 million acres of land. White families eager to homestead could now make legal claim on the land in Shelby County at little expense.

The graveyard was attached to Shoal Creek Baptist Church, the first Baptist church in Shelby County.

A log meeting house stood in the vicinity from at least 1820. Rough-hewn stones, some barely visible in the underbrush, may mark burial sites of early members of the church. One of the church's leading families is honored on the single engraved tombstone.

The site belongs on the Montevallo African American Heritage Trail. During the early recorded history of the church, from 1817–1850, Shoal Creek Baptist Church welcomed white and Black worshippers. Several Black men were appointed to preach to the biracial congregation.

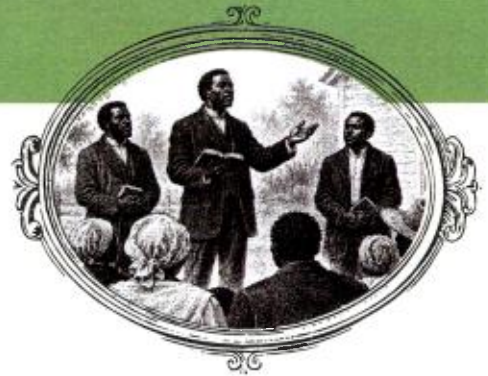
The rare survival of the church minutes from this period makes possible an unusual glimpse of religious and social life in Alabama's pioneer days. It offers as well, and rarer still, a glimpse at interactions between Black and white inhabitants of early Shelby County.



The monument to (Mary) Elizabeth Lawler (Teague) in Shoal Creek Baptist Church Cemetery

A SHARED HOUSE OF WORSHIP

Shoal Creek Baptist



FOUNDED AROUND 1820, SHOAL CREEK BAPTIST WAS THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN SHELBY COUNTY. ITS CONGREGATION INCLUDED WHITE AND BLACK MEMBERS. THREE ENSLAVED BLACK MEN — FILL, NELSON, AND JACOB — WERE APPOINTED TO PREACH, HIGHLIGHTING AFRICAN AMERICANS' IMPORTANT ROLE IN ALABAMA'S EARLY SPIRITUAL LIFE.

Shoal Creek Baptist Church and Graveyard



Shoal Creek Baptist stood midway between Wilson's Hill to the south and the Ebenezer community north of Moore's Crossroads, drawing from and serving both communities. They were connected by an Indian trail that became an early postal road and later the Old Stagecoach Road, connecting Montevallo and Ashville. A dirt road segment is still visible alongside the Ebenezer Swamp nature reserve.

The oldest Baptist church in Shelby County, it began as an arm of Cahawba Valley Baptist on the Lit-

tle Cahaba in Bibb County. The first meeting house stood on the east bank of Shoal Creek "where the section line between the 10th & 15th section crosses the creek." The original meeting house probably resembled the "rolling log cabins" in Tuscaloosa described thus in 1820: crude structures "without a single Pane of glass, with scarcely a saw'd board or Plank, Nail or any other Iron about them."

To the north was the Ebenezer community. One of its leading residents was Richard Crowson, who built a log cabin on Spring Creek, still standing, near what today is Highway 22. Crowson's brother Moses helped establish Shoal Creek Baptist. He was its first preacher, pastoring the church from 1820 to 1830. The woman who became his wife, landowning Rhoda Meroney, deeded three acres of her property to "Moses Crowson & others composing the Baptist Society

of Shoal Creek Church."

The nearest population center was the village of Wilson's Hill, as Montevallo was first known, about six miles southwest of Moore's Crossroads—a walk of a little over two hours along Hwy 119 today. It was the site of Montevallo's first Methodist Church. The first postmaster, John Francis, was a "merchant there," suggesting a transportation system sufficient to support trade and commerce. (The Wilson's Hill post office dates from May 23, 1822. The name changed to Montevallo in 1826.) From early on there were grist mills serving the surrounding population. The village may have been the site of one of Edmund King's first money-making ventures, a store known as King and Smith's. The proprietors also had a tavern license, entitling them to provide lodging and meals to "Man and Beasts."

OLD SOUTHWEST
AND A CHANGING WORLD

Wilson's Hill



BEFORE MONTEVALLO TOOK SHAPE, WILSON'S HILL WAS A COMMUNITY SHAPED BY NATIVE AMERICAN, EUROPEAN, AND AFRICAN AMERICAN LIVES. FOLLOWING THE 1814 TREATY OF FORT JACKSON, WHITE SETTLERS ESTABLISHED FARMS ON CREEK LANDS, WHILE ENSLAVED AFRICAN AMERICANS PROVIDED LABOR AND SKILLS THAT HELPED BUILD THE COMMUNITY.

Montevallo: Two Centuries of Recorded History

In the early 1800s, Wilson's Hill was a small frontier settlement that would become Montevallo. Located on land that is today part of the Montevallo City Cemetery, the village grew as settlers moved into central Alabama following the forced removal of the Creek Indians and the opening of their former homeland to white settlement.

Wilson's Hill, named for founding settler Jesse Wilson, quickly became a center of community life. It was the site of the first Methodist Church, set up by Dr. Joshua West. The church building was also used as a school and Masonic Lodge. By the 1820s the settlement had a post office, merchants, and taverns, and was home to some of Montevallo's earliest commercial ventures. The Wilson's Hill Post Office was established in 1822; in 1826 the name was changed to Montevallo.

The village was surrounded by farms worked largely through the forced labor of enslaved African Americans. In 1826, Samuel Randall wrote that "the Blacks do the work" and estimated that Black residents outnumbered white residents by as many as three to one. While his estimate may have been exaggerated, surviving records confirm the substantial presence of enslaved people in the community.

A few miles north of Wilson's Hill stood Shoal Creek Baptist Church, Shelby County's oldest Baptist church. The church served the settlements on both sides of it, drawing worshippers from Wilson's Hill and from the Ebenezer community near present-day Moore's Crossroads. The communities were linked by an Indian trail that became an early postal road and eventually the Old Stagecoach Road connecting Montevallo and Ashville.

The church and its graveyard, dating from the 1820s, are reminders of the people and communities that occupied this landscape during Montevallo's earliest years. Its surviving minute book provides an unusually detailed glimpse of frontier life and helps recover people whose lives are largely absent from other records.

Together, Wilson's Hill and Shoal Creek Baptist Church belong to the story of a developing community at the edge of Alabama's westward expansion—the Old Southwest, a place shaped by Native American removal, white settlement, enslaved labor, commerce, religion, and the roads that connected its people.



RECOVERING FORGOTTEN LIVES

The Minute Book

SHOAL CREEK'S SURVIVING MINUTE BOOK OFFERS A RARE WINDOW INTO ALABAMA'S EARLY AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY. ONE OF ONLY TWO KNOWN BAPTIST MINUTE BOOKS FROM THE PRE-CIVIL WAR PERIOD, IT PRESERVES BLACK MEMBERS, PREACHERS, AND ENSLAVERS, A SOURCE FOR RECOVERING NAMES AND STORIES THAT RECONNECT FAMILIES SEPARATED BY SLAVERY.

The Minute Book and African American Family History

The minute book of Shoal Creek Baptist Church is one of just two known records to survive from a Shelby County Baptist church of the frontier period. It offers a remarkable glimpse into an early biracial congregation – one in which enslaved people were admitted as members, participated in worship, and were subject to church discipline. An invaluable source for African American family history, these records also give unusual visibility to Black presence during Montevallo's pioneering days.

Church clerk Edmund King carefully recorded the names of new members and letters of dismissal for white and Black members alike. He recorded investigations of offenses, from absences to drunkenness and sexual misconduct, and the church's judgement. The minutes offer an unusual record of Black lives at a time when federal census records did not name enslaved African Americans, recording only their age,



sex, and sometimes color. It was not until the Reconstruction census of 1870 that formerly enslaved people were at last enumerated by name. The minutes identify at least 33 African American members by first name, usually with the name of their owner. The minutes use "servant" and "slave" interchangeably: "Ben, a slave of Charles Brown" and "Jacob & Nelson brethren of colour, servants of Brother King."

Nelson was excommunicated for what the church leadership judged to be "licentious conduct" toward Sukey, a young woman enslaved by Edmund King. Moses, accused of intoxication, refused to repent be-

fore the congregation and was excommunicated.

The minutes reveal an important dimension of Black religious life and leadership. During the church's first decade, three men—Fill, Nelson, and Jacob, "brethren of colour"—were authorized to preach to the mixed congregation. In 1821, the church licensed Brother Fill to "exercise his gift as a preacher in the bounds of the Church." The following year, Nelson and Jacob were authorized to preach every second Sunday, the entire congregation being instructed to "attend and hear."

The Minute Book of Shoal Creek Baptist Church is a gift to genealogists seeking to piece together family histories that might otherwise be lost. It preserves rare evidence of a community in which enslaved Black people worshipped, faced discipline, and exercised spiritual leadership, while living under the control of white enslavers.



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T76 T4 Bobcat Compact Track Loader <i>Serial number: B4CE40190</i>	M0371	1	64,863.40	64,863.40
Standard Equipment: 74.0 HP Tier 4 V2 Bobcat Engine Auxiliary Hydraulics: Variable Flow Backup Alarm Bob-Tach Bobcat Interlock Control System (BICS) Controls: Selectable Joysticks (SJC) Cylinder Cushioning - Lift, Tilt Engine Hydraulic Performance De-rate Protection Glow Plugs (Automatically Activated) Horn Lift Arm Support Lift Path: Vertical Lights, Front and Rear LED				
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17.7" C-Pattern Rubber Track	M0371-R09-C02	1	1,261.40	1,261.40
7" Touch Display	M0371-R08-C03	1	1,343.30	1,343.30
Comfort Package	M0371-P11-C07	1	7,809.90	7,809.90
Comfort Package Includes: Enclosed HVAC Cab, Radio, Adjustable Heated Cloth Air Ride Seat, Power Bob-Tach, Solid Undercarriage, Instrumentation: Standard 5" Display, Engine Temperature and Fuel Gauges, Hour meter, RPM and Warning Indicators, Includes maintenance interval notification, fault display, job codes, quick start, auto idle, and security lockouts, Premium LED Lights, Keyless Start, Two-Speed Travel, 7-Pin Attachment Control, Dual Direction Bucket Positioning, Rear Camera, Sound Reduction.				
NAGS 80" Heavy Duty Bucket w/Teeth	7272681-TEETH	1	2,162.96	2,162.96
Counterweight Kit, 300 lbs.	7407736	1	1,391.09	1,391.09
Special Applications Polycarbonate Door Kit	7376911	1	2,675.26	2,675.26
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Dealer PDI	200.00
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APPENDIX 8

Website Essentials Order

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Products & Services

PRODUCTS & SERVICES	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	PRICE
Website Essentials Implementation	1	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00
Website Essentials	1	\$300.00 / month	\$300.00 / month for 4 years
SUMMARY			
Monthly subtotal			\$300.00
One-time subtotal			\$4,000.00

Comments

Prices shown above are valid for 30 days from date of Order.

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