

# Silverhill's Little Hall to stay at park



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SILVERHILL, Alabama --- It's official, the Little Bohemian Hall in Silverhill will soon have a new home, approximately 200 feet from its old home.

The more than 90-year-old structure was shifted off its foundation and sustained extensive damage during a tornado that struck in Silverhill in March of 2011. In May the Town Council voted to proceed with plans to demolish the structure and build a new Community Center, which will be located in the southwest corner of the park.

But after several concerned residents came forward, plans proceeded in August to save the Little Hall and move it to a new location.

During a specially called meeting held Monday, Feb. 13 at Town Hall, a proposal was presented to the Council to move structure closer to the corner of Third Avenue and Fourth Street near the town's water tower.

Mayor Tim Wilson said at the Town Council's regular meeting on Monday that he, resident Jim Langley and Frankie Kucera, chairman of the Save the Little Hall Committee, met with and received no objections from the Havel family, who donated the building to the town in the 1970s.

It was also confirmed with the town's insurance company that, as long as they give the building a new address, it can stay at the park.

So, on Monday, the Silverhill Town Council voted unanimously to proceed with plans to move the structure to its new home at the corner of Third Avenue and Fourth Street, mere feet from where the structure has been for more than 30 years, provided the structure meets the approval of the town's Planning Commission.

Council member Wayne Gruenloh was not present at Monday's meeting. Council member Bert Jones was present earlier in the meeting, but was called away and did not vote on the measure.

Also discussed at Monday's meeting was the building of a fence to surround the structure once it is moved. Installing glass cases to house artifacts for a museum and helping to pay for the removal of debris from the area were also discussed.