

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA  
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM  
SEPTEMBER 19th, 2022 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on September 19, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, persons present included Minnie Johnson, Chris George, Alison George, Maggin Edwards-Assistant Clerk, Betty Stroud, Officer Zachary Davidson, Chief Head, Officer Duck, David and Stephanie Ingram, Adam Hall, Jimmy Nolen, guest (spray insulation lady). Proceedings were aired live on Facebook.

Mayor Gary Davenport called the meeting to order: 7:00 p.m.

Invocation was then given by Mayor Gary Davenport.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Davenport.

Roll call was conducted by the Town Clerk Shannon Geer:

Mayor:	Gary Davenport	present
Mayor Pro-tem	Linda Reed	present
Councilmembers	Jackie Stearns	present
	Stephanie Stepney	absent
	Lindsay Mothershed	present
There is a quorum.	David Goodwin	present

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Councilmember Goodwin and seconded by Councilmember Stearns. Motion carries (4-0).

The consent agenda consist of the following:

Financial reports for August 2022

Minutes of the August 15, 2022 Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Davenport encouraged everyone to be careful with the new Coronavirus variants. We have seen a decline in our area.

Mayor Davenport completed the second reading of Amendment 2022-08-001 to Ordinance 2007-386. A motion to approve amendment 2022-08-001 was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reed and seconded by Councilmember Mothershed. Motion passes (4-0).

Mayor Davenport explained to Council that we need to begin the process of setting the budget for FY2023. A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Reed to continue under the FY 2022 budget until the new year budget is passed. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Goodwin. Motion passes (4-0).

A motion to renew the Elmore County Dispatch contract at approximately \$10,000 less than last year was made by Councilmember Goodwin and seconded by Councilmember Stearns, Motion passes (4-0).

**Departmental Reports:**

**Police Department – Chief Head** – Chief Head introduced Officer Zachary Davidson as the new patrol officer. Chief Head also briefed council on the interest of the County Task Force in employing our K9 unit, in addition to Detective Lyles. The benefits to the town included a stipend that could be used for equipment and expenditures for the police department.

**Fire Department – Chief Dorminey**– Dorminey briefed council on the need to replace the extrication tool on the rescue unit. The cost would be approximately \$13,000. **A motion to allow the Fire Department to purchase the Combi-tool for extrication was made by Councilmember Goodwin and seconded by Councilmember Mothershed. Motion passes (4-0).**

**EMS- Director Ingram** – It is important to consider in the new budget a 2<sup>nd</sup> used ambulance. Adam Hall also invited anyone to attend the free training class on basic rescue missions that begins October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Senior Center- Minnie Johnson** – Mayor read

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**Library- Betty Coker** – Mayor read report and announced the grand opening of the museum on October 1<sup>st</sup> @ 1:00 pm.

**Water Works- James Taylor** –Report given by James Taylor, Mayor Davenport received two quotes on the water tank maintenance and painting. Tank Pro came in at the lowest bid and was most recommended. Mayor asked to proceed with the lowest bidder. After discussion, Mayor asked if there were any objections to him contracting with Tank Pro. No objection was voiced.

**Sewer- McDonald Wastewater** – Alison George gave a detailed report. **A motion was made by Councilmember Reed and seconded by Councilmember Mothershed to allow Chris George to contact Speaks & Associates about the progress on the expansion of the sewer. Motion passes (4-0).**

**Municipal Court – Court Clerk Thomas** – Mayor read. Brenda was at the Annual Conference of Municipal Magistrates.

**Events – Carmen Winslett** – The next ACF meeting is Tuesday 9/27 at 6:30. Carmen announced the Holiday Whobilation pls planned for December 10<sup>th</sup>. The theme is grinch again.

**Public Works/Parks and Recs. – Ricky Marshall** -Mayor read report.

**Planning Commission – Chairman Davenport** – There will be a meeting 9/22 at 6:00.

**Old Business:**

Mayor Davenport stated that as soon as the Cotton Festival is over, we need to plan a Time Capsule reveal at Panther Palace.

**Mayor's Comments:** October 14-16 is a community cleanup day. We need participation from the public to assist. **A motion to sell 6 old desktop phones for \$150 was made by Councilmember Goodwin and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Ree. Motion passes (4-0).**

**Internet /Public Comments: NONE**


**Council Comments: Councilmember Mothershed made a motion to go into Executive Session and seconded by Councilmember Goodwin. Motion passes (4-0).**

**A motion to adjourn the executive session was made by Councilmember Mothershed and seconded by Councilmember Goodwin at 8:47 pm. The motion carries (4-0).**

**A motion to adjourn the regularly scheduled council meeting was made by Councilmember Goodwin and seconded by Councilmember Mothershed at 8:47 pm. Motion passes (4-0).**

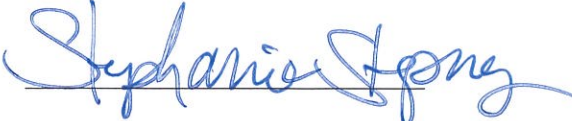
  
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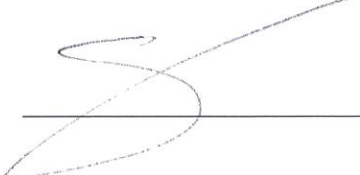
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Shannon Geer, Town Clerk


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