

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
JANUARY 16, 2018 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on January 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, the following were present; Diana Hart, McKinley Price, Verdie Nummy, Robert Newman, Carmen Winslett & family, Josh Pack, Stephanie Stepney, Jennifer Lyle-Mattox, Joe Creamer, Brenda Thomas, Eric McKenzie, Andrew Wilkerson, Officer Stewart and others, and Chief Head and other town employees and citizens.

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

Invocation was then given by Mr. Joe Creamer, pastor Agape Tabernacle.

The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Mayor Davenport.

Roll call was conducted by Town Clerk Deborah Rowe:

Mayor:	Gary Davenport	present
Mayor Pro-tem:	Linda Reed	present
Council members	Jackie Stearns	present
	Charles Powell	present
There was a quorum.	David Goodwin	present

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Powell. The motion carries (5-0).

The consent agenda consist of the following;

Financial reports for December, 2017
Minutes of the December 18, 2017 Regular Council Meeting
Minutes of the December 18, 2017 Public Hearing

Resolution 2018-01-001 to close Grant SM-CM-PF-15-006 (CDBG Madix Expansion Grant) bank account was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve this resolution as read was made by Council member Goodwin and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion carries (5-0).

A motion to close Grant SM-PF-PL-14-002 (CDBG Planning Grant) was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Powell. The motion carries (5-0). (Did not require a Resolution).

Resolution 2018-01-002 to change designated persons authorized to sign for Town of Eclectic accounts to include the Water Works and Sewer manager was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve this resolution as read was made by Council member Goodwin and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion carries (5-0).

Resolution 2018-01-003 to Amend the Public Safety Departments work period and payroll procedures was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve this resolution as read was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Powell. The motion carries (5-0).

Mayor Davenport moved discussion and possible vote on the vacancy on the Town Council until the end of the meeting.

Departmental Reports:

Police Department- Chief Head -

Fire Department- Chief Dorminey - given by Eric McKenzie - A motion to allow the Fire Department to research the possibility of an even trade for the ladder truck for a rural pumper was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Powell. The motion carries (5-0).

EMS- Director Taylor - out sick

Senior Center- Minnie Johnson
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Library- Librarian Coker-
Water Works- Mayor Davenport -
Municipal Court- Court Clerk Thomas -
Public Works - McKinley Price - Weather has bleacher work on hold - Recycle Center closed for repair
Events - Mayor - Christmas Events were a big success - need someone to chair/sponsor a Community Yard Sale in Spring possibly in conjunction with Bezlo's
PARKS & REC. - Jim Black- Weather has work on hold - security cameras ready to be installed

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission- January meeting has been canceled
Industrial Development Board - has vacancies if anyone knows or is interested in serving

Old Business:

The Town has received notification it has been awarded the Aaron Park Light Grant in the amount of \$115,000. The Town has a 100% match for this Grant. There will be more information to follow soon.

Government agencies have rescinded their previous ruling and awarded the Middle/Madix Road Grant. This Grant should be in the neighborhood of \$200,000 to \$250,00 with more details to follow.

Mayor Comments:

Mayor Davenport read and signed a Proclamation for School Choice Week.

Mayor Davenport informed all present that the Elmore County High School Band had been invited to Mardi Gras in Mobile and were conducting a fundraiser to be able to go if anyone might be able to help with their efforts.

Public Comments: NONE

A motion to adjourn regular session and convene in executive session for the purpose of reviewing and interviewing qualified persons for the vacant council position was made by council member Reed and seconded by Council member Powell. The motion passed (5-0). Mayor Davenport introduced all candidates present. (8:03)

A motion to reconvene regular session at 8:44 p.m. was made by council member Reed and seconded by Council member Goodwin. The motion passed (5-0).

A motion to appoint Joe Creamer to the vacant council position was made by council member Goodwin and seconded by Council member Powell. The motion passed (5-0).

A motion to adjourn was made by council member Reed and seconded by Council member Powell. The motion passed (5-0).

There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST:


Deborah Rowe, Town Clerk


Gary W. Davenport, Mayor

Council Members





