

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
JULY 19, 2021 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on July 19, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, persons present included Alan Nummy, Priscilla Parks and Verdie Nummy – Eclectic the Beautiful, Leslie York and Carol Sposato – CARPDC, Gary Raupach - Alabama Rural Water, Chris George, Tony Thomas, Carmen Winslett, Officers Thornton and Zellers, Chief Head and Shannon Duck – Assistant Clerk, and other citizens and employees. Proceedings were aired live on Facebook.

Mayor Gary Davenport called the meeting to order: 7:11 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 Deborah Rowe:

Mayor:	Gary Davenport	present
Mayor Pro-tem:	Linda Reed	present
Council members	Jackie Stearns	present
	David Goodwin	present
	Lindsay Mothershed	present
All were present.	Stephanie Stepney	present

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

The consent agenda consist of the following;

- Financial reports for June 2021
- Minutes of the June 21, 2021 Regular Council Meeting
- Minutes of the June 28, 2021 Special Called Work session
- Minutes of the July 13, 2021 Special Called Work session

Mayor Davenport gave a brief update on the Coronavirus Pandemic in regard to the Town. He stated that the Town currently had several employees who had tested positive for covid and were under quarantine. He encouraged exercising extreme caution and the wearing of mask again.

Resolution 2021-07-001 establishing Juneteenth as an official Town of Eclectic holiday was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve the Resolution as read was made by Council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Goodwin. The motion carries (5-0).

Resolution 2021-07-002 for approval of the CDBG Grant application with CARPDC was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve the Resolution as read was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Goodwin. The motion carries (5-0).

Resolution 2021-07-003 adopting the Multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve the Resolution as read was made by Council member Goodwin and seconded by Council member Stepney. The motion carries (5-0).

A motion to approve the adoption of Policy #16 regarding Water Works and Sewer on call time was tabled with the request of a legal interpterion made by Council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Mothershed. The motion carries (5-0).

Mayor Davenport stated that Council had previously approved Eclectic the Beautiful project to paint panther paws on West College. As soon as a date and time is set the Town will provide needed help from Public Works and the Police Department.

A motion to approve an annual appropriation for Butterfly Bridges and the Elmore County Extension at an annual amount of \$500 each, same as 2021, was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Mothershed. The motion carries (4-1).

Departmental Reports:

Police Department - Chief Head –Chief introduced new Police Officer Jeremy Zellers.

Fire Department - Chief Dorminey – given by Alan Nummy – Fundraiser profit \$3127.42 Council member Stepney inquired as to whether or not the Fire Department still inspected home fire detectors. Nummy stated that they do indeed inspect, provide and install residential smoke detectors.

EMS- Sonia Taylor –

Senior Center- Mayor Davenport –The Center reopened in full capacity beginning July 7. There was 1 application for the meal driver/delivery job. A motion to proceed with hiring a Senior Center driver to deliver meals and transport participants for 10 to 15 hours a week plus mileage was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Mothershed.

Library- Mayor Davenport - Summer reading program was a big success. Have done some clean-up work for the start of the museum.

Water Works- Mayor Davenport – The First Ave project has been delayed due to rain and excessive ground water. There was a brief discussion from Council to question the missing monthly report detailing work done, a daily log and the GPS tracking and reports. Mayor Davenport stated that it was in the works and coming.

Sewer- George – George reported the new building had been set and was being finished out. The new disconnect panels are ready to be set in the next few days. One of the pumps is currently out at the PDI station. The new alarms are working great

Municipal Court – Court Clerk Thomas

Events –Winslett –Plans for the 2021 ACF is going great including the fundraiser for the Girls Ranch. The next ACF meetings is Tuesday July 27 at 6:00 p.m. A motion to approve the “Grinch Theme” for Christmas 2021was made by Council member Stearns and Seconded by Council member Stepney. The motions carries (5-0).

Public Works/Parks and Recs. – Tony Thomas – Busy time – Still waiting on quotes to repair/replace sidewalks on highway 63. In addition he is working on quotes for drainage problems. Thomas also give Council a list of budget recommendations.

Planning Commission – Chairman Davenport – There will not be a meeting in July due to lack of business to discuss.

Mayor Davenport introduced Gary Raupach with Alabama Rural Water was introduced to Council. Mr. Raupach stated he was a certified water operator and currently worked with several water systems. He works with Eclectic Water Works and is interested in a position with the Town.

Old Business:

- A motion to set August 3, 2021 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. as the next meeting date with the Eclectic Youth Ball Organization was made by Council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Stearns. Motion carries (5-0).
- Sewer extension south results of the MRS LLC cultural dig are back and clear for expansion. Phase 1, down to the dentist office has been signed by the land owners. Phase 2 is lacking the signature of 6 residents.
- The land purchase closed on July 12.
- Quotes from 3 cleaning services were reviewed. A motion to approve Cabin Comfort's quote to clean Town Hall and the Senior Center was made by Council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Goodwin. Motion carries (5-0).

Mayor Comments: NONE

Council & Public Comments:

- Council member Mothershed ask if there was a job description for the possible new Water Works job. Mayor Davenport responded no, not at this time.
- Chris George asked Council to keep in mind the jobs being done and the importance of the work of Town employees who are on call 7 days a week.

Internet Public Comments:

There were no questions tonight.

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

There being no further business the mayor adjourned the meeting(8:16).

Gary W. Davenport, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deborah Rowe, Town Clerk

Council Members

