

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
December 16th, 2024 @ 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on December 16th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, persons present included: Shannon Duck, Mayor Davenport, Linda Reed, Jackie Stearns, Lindsay Mothershed, Stephanie Stepney, David Goodwin, Zac Lyles, Antonio Brown, Maggin Edwards, Robert Head, and Joel Johnson.

Proceedings were aired live on Facebook.

Mayor Gary Davenport called the meeting to order: 7:02 p.m.

The invocation was then given by Mayor Gary Davenport.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Davenport.

Roll call was conducted by Town Clerk Shannon Duck:

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

Mayor Davenport opened the meeting going over financials and minutes from last month.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Pro-Tem Reed and seconded by Councilor Goodwin. (5 yea). Motion passes.

The consent agenda consist of the following:
Financial reports for November 2024
Overtime Reports
Minutes of the November 18th, 2024, Regular Council Meeting

A motion to amend the minutes to May 20th, 2024 last paragraph (to clarify the pay change of EMS Director and Town Clerk) was made by Councilor Mothershed and seconded by Pro-Tem Reed. (4 yea, Stepney abstain). Motion passes.

Resolution 2024-10-003 was read in full regarding the renewal of the lease of police vehicles.

A motion to re-enter the lease agreement with the Police vehicles was made by was made by Councilor Goodwin and seconded by Pro-Tem Reed(3 yea, Stepney and Stearns nay). Motion passes.

First reading to Ordinance 2024-12-001 was read in full by Mayor Davenport (regarding the Mayor and Council salary for the next administration. The second reading will be at Januarys' meeting.

Mayor Davenport stated we re-bid for the library ac units because once the building inspector looked, the job was a bit more complicated than original. The bid opening will be January 8th.

Mayor read in full Resolution 2024-12-001 for funding the Pecan Orchard.

A motion to adopt Resolution 2024-12-001 was made by Councilor Goodwin and seconded by Councilor Stepney (5 yea). Motion passes.

Mayor read in full Resolution 2024-10-001-regarding the partial property annexation.

A motion to pass Resolution 2024-12-001 as read was made by Councilor Stepney and seconded by Councilor Mothershedd. (5 yea). Motion passes.

A motion to go into contract with the Drinkard group for the partial annexations is made by Councilor Goodwin and seconded by Pro-Tem Reed (4 yea, Stepney opposed).

Departmental Reports:
Reports in packet. No questions.

Old Business: January 1st, 2025, the Recycle Center will be closing down

Mayor's Comments:

Mayor stated that Holiday Festival was a great success. Shannon Duck thanked the Main Street Network members that hosted it.

Mayor Davenport also stated we would look to Sell IVO, the Town's K9, since he is not working enough. Council requested a list of IVO's property so we can surplus it and decide from there.

Internet /Public Comments: none

Council Comments:

A motion to adjourn at 7:31p.m. was made by Councilor Stepney and seconded by Pro-Tem Reed. (5 yea). Motion passes.

Gary W. Davenport, Mayor

ATTEST:

Shannon Duck, Town Clerk

Council Members

