

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
DECEMBER 16, 2019 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on December 16, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, the following were present; Justin Pack, Verdie Nummy, Brenda Thomas, Carolyn Jones, Minnie Johnson, Betty Coker, Josh Dorminey, Officers Griffin and other town employees and citizens.

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

Invocation was then given by Mayor 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
All were present.	Carmen Winslett	present
	Stephanie Stepney	present

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion carries (6-0).

The consent agenda consist of the following;

- Financial reports for November, 2019
- Minutes of the November 18, 2019 Regular Council meeting
- Minutes of the December 2, 2019 Public Hearing

Resolution 2019-12-001 for the 2020 AL Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve Resolution 2019-12-001 as read was made by Council member Goodwin and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion carries (6-0).

Resolution 2019-12-002 for the Rezoning of 261 Claud Road was read by Mayor Pro-tem Reed. A motion to approve Resolution 2019-12-001 as read was made by Council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion carries (6-0).

Next Mayor Davenport gave a brief background explanation of Act 2019-132 concerning RSA conversion from Tier 2 to Tier 1. Mayor Davenport recommended setting a meeting with employees, Town auditors and RSA representatives to explain this process. A motion to call a Special Meeting for such purpose on January 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court room was made by Council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion carries (6-0).

Departmental Reports:

Police Department- Chief Head- Report given by Sargent Griffin

Fire Department- Chief Dorminey - Chief Dorminey reported that the Fire Dept.had received the Homeland Security grant for \$48,000.

Saturday December 21, 2019 the Fire Department will be holding a Pancake Breakfast fundraiser from 8:00 until 11:00. Tickets are all you can eat \$10 for adults and \$5 for children.

EMS- Director Taylor- not present

Senior Center- Minnie Johnson –

Library- Librarian Coker – Received a \$1000 Blount Grant

Water Works- Mayor Davenport
Municipal Court- Court Clerk Thomas
Events – Council member Winslett –

- Winslett reported that Holiday Fest was a big success with some 30 to 35 vendors and between 40 and 45 parade entries. Financial report showed total spent for event was \$1091.77. Awards for contest winners were presented by Mayor Davenport.
- Plans for a Spring Event to include a community yard sale and clean-up day are under way. Details to come later.

Public Works/Parks and Recs. –

Panther Palace Park parking bumpers are ready to install.

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission – Chairman Davenport – No December 2019 meeting.

Industrial Development Board – Chairman Pack – next meeting January 14, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss 2020 plans.

Business Relations Committee – Chairman Pack - next meeting January 7, 2019 at First Community Bank 6:00 p.m. to kick-off 2020 plans.

Old Business:

- The Industrial Park land sale is moving along, still in the discovery stage. A \$10,000 deposit has been made.
- Council member Stepney inquired about the previously discussed speed limit signs.

Mayor Comments:

- Mayor Davenport recognized Angela Stephens with Eclectic the Beautiful who presented the Eclectic Senior Center and the Eclectic Fire Department with donations from Taste of Eclectic proceeds.

Public Comments:

- Council member Winslett stated the first 2020 Alabama Cotton Festival meeting will kick off in January.

A motion to adjourn was made by council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Goodwin. The motion passed (6-0).

There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting. (7:38)

Gary W. Davenport, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deborah Rowe, Town Clerk

Council Members

