

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
APRIL 15, 2019 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on April 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, the following were present; Gabrielle Jansen - The Observer, Mark Winslett, Carolyn Jones, Jason and Stephanie Stepney, Betty Coker, Shannon Geer, Chief Head, Officer Brooks, and other town employees and citizens.

Mayor Gary Davenport called the meeting to order: 7:03 p.m.

Invocation was then given by Mayor Davenport.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led 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 -	absent
There was a quorum.	David Goodwin	absent
	Carmen Winslett	present

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion carries (4-0).

The consent agenda consist of the following;

- Financial reports for March, 2019
- Minutes of the March 18, 2019 Regular Council meeting

The first reading of Ordinance 2019-01, "Gas Franchise renewal contract" was conducted by Mayor Davenport. There was a brief discussion on the matter. The second reading and vote on the matter was set for the May Council meeting.

Next Mayor Davenport brought to Council a petition from surrounding property owners to close Johnson Street. A Public Hearing was set for May 6 at 6:00 to hear from the public on this matter.

Departmental Reports:

Police Department- Chief Head -

Fire Department- Chief Dorminey - not present

- **Crawfish Boil Fundraiser set for May**

EMS- Director Taylor - not present

Senior Center- Minnie Johnson - not present – Keys and locks for Safe room and Center have been taken care of.

Library- Librarian Coker- Annual Giving Fundraiser was very successful raising \$3133. - The Shoe Drive Fundraiser has begun with boxes around Town. Would like to collect 5,000 pairs of shoes.

Water Works- Mayor Davenport - The Town's Annual Drinking Water Report is on the web page. Water Works is looking for Part-time workers.

Municipal Court- Court Clerk Thomas - not present

Public Works -

Events - Council member Winslett -

- **Trade Days & Town wide Yard Sale was very successful with approx. 20 vendors and a good turnout.**
- **Town wide Easter Egg Hunt also had a great turnout with around 100 children.**
- **The Town will hold its annual "Bubbles of Love" event April 25 at noon.**
- **The Alabama Cotton Festival meeting is set for April 23 at 6:00. Still in need of event chairmen's for the Car Show and the Dog Show.**

PARKS & REC. - Aaron park light work is finished. Vandal repairs have been made and new signs installed at Panther Palace Park.

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission - no meeting for April

Industrial Development Board – 5 names for nomination for new board members

Old Business: NONE

Mayor Comments:

- Materials have been purchased and are ready to install crosswalk at Sunset Drive park.
- Mayor Davenport announced the kick off for the 2020 Census is scheduled state wide for April 1. This year registration can be done online. Encourage everyone to register, because it could mean the difference in funds available to the State and the Town.

Public Comments:

Stephanie Stepney brought 3 matters to Councils attention.

1. Fire Department vehicles speeding through Town.
2. Lagoon siren did not go off when phone notifications went off recently.
3. Panther Palace Park is well used and would be a good location for a Town announcement board.

A motion to adjourn was made by council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion passed (4-0).

There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting. (8:00)

Gary W. Davenport, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deborah Rowe, Town Clerk

Council Members

