

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA  
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM  
OCTOBER 19, 2020 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on October 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, persons present included Daniel Lucas-EYFCL, Lindsay Mothershed, Ryan Brown, Paul Carter, Buddy Kennedy, Chris George, Aubrey Hornsby, Wanda Nelson, Maxine Birmingham, Nathan Collins, Officer Lisenby, Chief Head and other citizens and employees. Proceedings were NOT aired live.

Mayor Gary Davenport called the meeting to order: 7:01 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	absent
	Carmen Winslett	present
There was a quorum.	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 (4-0).

The consent agenda consist of the following;

- Financial reports for September, 2020
- Minutes of the September 21, 2020 Regular Council meeting
- Minutes of the September 24, 2020 Special Called Council meeting
- Minutes of the October 13, 2020 Special Called Council meeting

Next, Mayor Davenport gave a monthly update on the Town's standing with the Coronavirus Pandemic. He reported that there were employees that had tested positive for the virus and that others were in quarantine due to exposure. Other employees out for other reasons were doing better at this time.

A motion to extend and continue operation under the 2020 budget until such time a 2021 balanced budget could be agreed on and adopted was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion carries (4-0).

Next, the matter of hazard duty pay, passed at the last council meeting, was revisited due to the discovery of the lack of funding for this matter by CARES. A motion to resend the previous hazard pay motion was made by Council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion carries (4-0).

A motion to spend up to \$3000 for employees' appreciation bonuses was made by Council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Stepney. The motion carries (4-0).

Mayor Davenport reported that the possible bond issue had been sent "out to market" and that at this time he expects to hear something in November.

The Town has been notified of a federal requirement to conduct an archaeological dig along the creek where the Town is looking to locate the new sewer line. The lowest bid for the work came from MRS at a cost of \$4,900. A motion to hire MRS to proceed and conduct the required dig was made by Council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Stepney. The motion carries (4-0). The Native American tribe involved is the Socknfox Tribe.

A motion to allow the EYFCL to conduct a parade on November 5, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. was made by Council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Stearns. The motion carries (4-0).

A motion to allow the Eclectic the Beautiful to paint paw prints on the roadway of West College from Claud Road to North College was made by Council member Stearns and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion carries (4-0).

**Departmental Reports:**

**Police Department- Chief Head** – Chief Head and Officer Lisenby gave an extended case report.

**Fire Department- Chief Dorminey** –

**EMS- Director Taylor** –

**Senior Center- read by Mayor Davenport**

**Library- read by Mayor Davenport**

**Water Works- read by Mayor Davenport** –

**Municipal Court read by Mayor Davenport** –

**Events – Council member Winslett** –

- The 2020 ACF was a huge success. Winslett thanked the event chairmen, persons who helped, Public Works, Chris Evans – fire department and others. Looking to possibly extending the length of time of the event.
- Holiday Fest is set for December 12, 2020. Holiday Market vendors are set from 10:00 am until 6:00 pm; Parade is at 6:00. Set theme as “Welcome to Who’ville.” Looking for a Grand Marshall. Offering decorating contest for businesses and homes.

**A motion to move the December regular meeting of the Town Council from December 21 to December 14 due to the holidays was made by council member Stepney and seconded by council member Winslett.**

**Public Works/Parks and Recs.** – George – Still in need of help

**Sewer** – George –working on plant improvements and helping with Public Works when he can.

**Committee Reports:**

**Planning Commission** – Chairman Davenport – next meeting is October 20

**Old Business:**

The meeting with ADECA Director Boswell on October 15 had to be rescheduled. It is now set for November 18, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

**Mayor Comments:**

- Will schedule another more in depth meeting with the EYBL.
- The 2020 Census is now completed.
- The New Officials Training meeting is October 27.
- The Industrial Park land deal is waiting on Wright and the Elmore County Commission.


**Public Comments: NONE**

A motion to adjourn (8:25) was made by council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion passed (4-0).

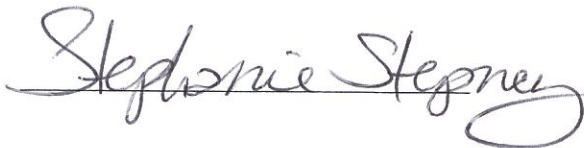
There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting.

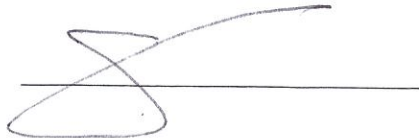
  
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Gary W. Davenport, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Deborah Rowe, Town Clerk

**Council Members**

  
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