MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM August 19th, 2024 @ 6:00 P.M. and 7:00 P.M.

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on August 19th, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, persons present included: Mayor Davenport, Linda Reed, Jackie Stearns, David Goodwin, Lindsay Mothershed, Stephanie Stepney, Zac Lyles, Antonio Brown, Robert Head, Maggin Edwards, Samuel Duck, Katrina Mitchell, Alan Nummy, Kyle Wall, Mack Daughetry and Camp Taylor.

Proceedings were not aired live on Facebook.

Mayor Gary Davenport called the meeting to order: 7:00p.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 Stepney. (5 yea). Motion passes.

The consent agenda consist of the following:

Financial reports for July 2024

Overtime Reports

Minutes of the July 22nd 2024, Regular Council Meeting

Minutes of the July 22nd, 2024, Special Called Meeting Minutes of the August 1st, 2024, Special Called Budget Meeting Minutes of the August 12th, 2024, Special Called Budget Meeting

Councilor Stepney made a motion to amend the agenda to allow us to enter executive session following the regular session to discuss personnel matters and Councilor Mothershed seconded. (5 yea). Motion passes.

Mayor Davenport introduced Elmore County Commissioner, Mack Daughtery. Mack explained this is his last few months as our Representative and wanted to thank us for our partnership all these years. He also presented the Police Department with a check for \$4,935 as a donation out of his discretionary funds. Chief Head spoke up and requested they split it with the Fire Department.

Secondly the Mayor presented the Gridiron Guide for an advertisement on behalf of the town. No motion was made.

Third item on the agenda was the financial expense breakdown of the drug task force, filed for reimbursement. Councilor Stepney requested the Chief rename it to Reimbursement rather than expenses. Officer Lyles stated he spoke with Regina Chambers and she assured him she will be caught up with the reimbursements very soon. The Mayor stated the town has received \$1,525.98 check for the reimbursement of the computers purchased by Kelly.

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The Mayor then presented 3 bids for the 4 main water line Hydra Valves. Camp Taylor explained the purpose of these valves was to ensure less citizens had their water turned off in the event of a major water leak, as several of our current valves are no longer working down Hwy 63.

A motion to contract with the lowest bidder, Water Services Group, LLC. In the amount of up to \$40,000, from the Bond Funds, and amend the water works department budget was made by Pro-Tem Reed and seconded by Councilor Mothershed. (5 yea). Motion passes.

The next meetings scheduled to discuss the budget will be held on August 26th and September 4th, 2024 in the Senior Center at 6 p.m.

Departmental Reports:

Reports in packet. No questions.

Old Business:

Mayor's Comments: Mayor announced that David Ingram gave his resignation and his last day will be August 30th. We need to advertise this opening this week to get the ball rolling.

Mayor also announced the Grand Opening and ribbon cutting ceremony for Lake Martin Reflections Salon and Spa on August 24th at 10 a.m. He encourages everyone to attend!

Mayor also informed Council that one of our 2023 Tahoe's was damaged in the Saturday night storms at an officer's home. He has submitted it to our insurance company for further instructions.

A motion to enter executive session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss personnel matters was made by Councilor Stepney and seconded by Councilor Mothershed. (5yea). Motion passes.

A motion to adjourn executive session and enter Regular session was made by Councilor Stepney and seconded by Councilor Goodwin at 7:48 p.m. (5 yea). Motion passes.

Internet /Public Comments: none

Council Comments:

A motion to adjourn at 7:48 p.m. was made by Councilor Goodwin at 7:48 p.m. (5 yea). Motion passes.

Gary W. Davenport, Mayo

ATTEST:

Shannon Duck, Town Clerk

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Council Members

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