

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
April 17th, 2023 @ 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on April 17th, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, persons present include, Paige Morrow, Dee Crawford, Greg Crawford, Nanci Speagle, Jennie Zinn, Betty Butler Coker, Stephanie Ingram, David Ingram, Jonathan Lucas, Linda Reed, Lindsay Mothershed, Mayor Davenport, Jackie Stearns, Stephanie Stepney and Shannon Duck-Town Clerk.

Proceedings were aired live on Facebook.

Mayor Gary Davenport called the meeting to order: 7:02 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 Shannon Geer:

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	absent

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Pro-Tem Reed. Motion fails due to no second.

The consent agenda consist of the following:

Financial reports for March 2023
Overtime Reports
Minutes of the March 2023 Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Davenport read for the first reading, the proposed amendment to Ordinance 2010-007 with regards to the reporting process of nuisances. The next Council meeting a second reading will take place before a motion to pass it is allowed.

Mayor Davenport introduced Jennie Zinn from Lake Martin Animal Sanctuary. Mrs. Zinn introduced her non-profit business and requested community support in the form of donors, volunteers, foster homes and labor donations. You can donate on www.lakemartinanimalsanctuary.com or call 334-380-6250.

Mayor Davenport then introduced Mr. Crawford and explained his drainage issues. Discussion ensued regarding how the majority of the backup is on private property and the town cannot do work if that's the case. The solution was for Mayor and Councilmember Lindsay to look at the engineering and solutions and go from there. Councilmember Stepney stated she would also like to see the property herself.

Departmental Reports:

Police Department – Chief Head – Mayor read.

Fire Department – Chief Dorminey- Ingram read.

EMS- David Ingram –Ingram read. Ingram updated Council on the progress of updating the new software they approved. The Fire Fighter Association is working to get our portion discounted or free of charge. Therefore, Ingram is waiting. Ingram also stated the repairs of the ambulance were due to water and an algae substance growing in the Diesel tank. Councilmember Stearns asked about instead of repairing the Diesel tank, contracting with Wex Fleet Management to track the gas usage.

Senior Center- Minnie Johnson – Mayor read. Thank you to Peyton Edwards and Emma Nummy for cleaning the shrubs!

Library- Betty Coker – Requested again that the limbs above the museum be trimmed. Also requested PW help pick up donated glass display cases from Valerie at Trustmark Tallassee.

Water Works- Betty Stroud- Mayor read.

Sewer- McDonald Wastewater – Steve McDonald read. **A motion to use ARPA funds up to \$3,000 to do the preliminary work for the new spayfield was made by Councilmember Stearns and seconded by Councilmember Stepney. (4 yea, 1 absent).**

Municipal Court – Court Clerk Thomas – Mayor read.

Events – Carmen Winslett – Carmen read. Next ACF meeting is April 25th @ 6:00 pm. Also announced May 29th (9-10 am) a Memorial Day Service at Veterans Memorials Park.

Public Works/Parks and Recs. – Ricky Marshall – absent

Planning Commission – Chairman Davenport – next meeting April 25th @ 6 pm where mobile food vendor is on the agenda.

Old Business: Panther palace is moving along. The drainage work is ¾ complete. Jacks is still deliberating with ALDOT regarding the size of turn lane required. A meeting is scheduled for Monday April 24th @ 10 am at the location site.

Mayors Comments: Mayor presented Shannon Duck-Town Clerk with a Proclamation for Municipal Clerk Appreciation week April 30-May 6th. An award was also made for Maggin Edwards- assistant clerk and will be handed out at a later time.

Internet /Public Comments: Jonathon Lucas requested the use of the roads between the Football field and the High School to host a 5K run for the Youth Football and Cheer league. **A motion was made to allow use of the road subject to the terms described in his plan by Council member Stepney and seconded by Pro-Tem Reed. Motion passes (4 yea, 1 absent).**

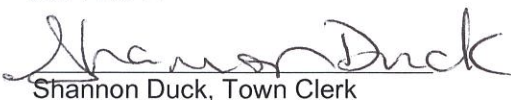
Council Comments:

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Stepney and seconded by Pro-Tem Reed. Motion carries, (4 yea, 1 absent).



Gary W. Davenport, Mayor

ATTEST:


Shannon Duck, Town Clerk

Council Members

