

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ECLECTIC TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF ECLECTIC, ALABAMA
ECLECTIC MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM
JUNE 15, 2020 7:00 P.M.**

At the regular meeting of the Eclectic Town Council held on June 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Eclectic Municipal Court Room, persons present included Leslie York and Carol Sposato with CARPDC, Justin Pack, Rod Wright, Lindsey Mothershed, Alan Nummy, Angela Stephens, Andy and Christian Markos, Nathan Collins, Daniel – newspaper, Chris George, Josh Dorminey, Officer Brown and other citizens and employees. Proceedings were aired live on the Town’s facebook page.

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
	Carmen Winslett	present
All were present.	Stephanie Stepney	present

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Goodwin. The motion carries (5-0).

The consent agenda consist of the following;

- Financial reports for May, 2020
- Minutes of the May 18, 2020 Regular Council meeting
- Minutes of the May 26, 2020 Public Hearing

Next Mayor Davenport gave an update on the Town's standing and compliance to the CoVID-19 orders. He reported all businesses are open in some capacity. The Library has reopened with restrictions. The Senior Center remains closed but is now serving hot meals either pick-up or delivery. Elmore County numbers are increasing daily. Family members of 3 employees have tested positive and now are recovering.

Resolution 2020-06-001 for the 2020 “Back-to-School” Sales Tax Holiday was not read. A motion to dispense with the reading Resolution 2020-06-001 was made by Council member Reed and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion carries (5-0). A motion to approve Resolution 2020-06-001 as written was made by Council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion carries (5-0).

Resolution 2020-06-002 to Surplus Property was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve Resolution 2020-06-002 as read was made by Council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Goodwin. The motion carries (5-0).

Resolution 2020-06-003 to Engage CARPDC to make CDBG Grant Application was read by Mayor Davenport. A motion to approve Resolution 2020-06-003 as read was made by Council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion carries (5-0).

Next item of business was the rezoning of the Industrial Park. Mayor Davenport layed out the facts as follows;

- The Industrial Park has been under the Industrial Development Board control. The Industrial Development Board voted to sale the 94 acres +/- to developer RodWright pending the rezoning process.
- Rodwright proposed development then went before the Planning Commission which approved the proposed plan pending Elmore County review and approval.
- The matter then came before Town Council for rezoning of Town property.
- All Public Hearings and time has been meet.
- The Town’s original purchase price for the 94+/- acres was \$305,000.
- The sales price agreed on is \$450,000.
- All monies must go to pay off the Bond agreement involved in the original purchase of the property.

Mayor Davenport then called for any questions from Council. A motion to approve the rezoning of the 94+/- acres of the former Industrial Park to 65.4+/- acres single family dwellings, 6.14+/- acres common area, up to 18.59+/- acres multi-family dwellings and 3.85+/- acres commercial was made by Council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Goodwin. Mayor Davenport called for a roll call vote as follows:

Mayor Pro-tem	Reed	yes	
Councilmember	Stearns	no	
	Goodwin	yes	
	Winslett	yes	
	Stepney	no	Motion passes (3-2)

Departmental Reports:

Police Department- read by Mayor Davenport

Fire Department- Chief Dorminey – Reported an unfixable problem with the ladder truck. He stated he had been in contact with First Community Bank in regards to refinancing current truck loan and adding funds to purchase a new used replacement truck. Refinancing would reduce the yearly rate and extend the loan by 1 year.

A motion to approve the refinancing of the current Fire Department loan to include 35K for a new truck was made by Council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Goodwin. The motion carries (4-1).

EMS- read by Mayor Davenport

Senior Center- read by Mayor Davenport

Library- read by Mayor Davenport

Water Works- Mayor Davenport

Municipal Court read by Mayor Davenport

Events – Council member Winslett –

- The next 2020 ACF meeting will be Tuesday June 30 at 6:00.
- Trade Days went very well and will be getting back on track.

Public Works/Parks and Recs. – George – Public Works - reported he was able to get an edger donated to Public Works however they are still in need of a larger, heavy duty weedeater, cost approx. \$350. **A motion to approve the purchase of the heavy duty weedeater was made by Council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Stepney. The motion carries (5-0).**

Sewer – there is an immediate need for 2 safety harnesses and a truck with a boom/crane. They would be used frequently in manholes and pump work. **A motion to approve the purchase of 2 (two) harnesses was made by Council member Stearns and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion carries (5-0).**

Committee Reports:

Planning Commission – Chairman Davenport – next meeting June 16, 2020 at 6:00p.m.

Old Business: NONE

Mayor Comments:

- The 2020 Census is still ongoing. The Town's participation remains above the State average. Tell everyone the Town Hall offices are glad to help or just go to the Town's web site (townofeclectic.com) and file.
- July 7, 2020 will begin the qualification for the 2020 municipal election.
- The Town will be in need of poll workers for this election. If you or someone you know is interested call Town Hall at 334-541-4429.

Public Comments: NONE

A motion to suspend regular session and move into executive session to discuss personnel matters was made by council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Winslett. The motion passed (5-0).

A motion to close executive session and return to regular session was made by council member Stepney and seconded by Council member Reed. The motion passed (5-0). (8:56)

A motion to adjourn was made by council member Winslett and seconded by Council member Goodwin. The motion passed (5-0). (8:56)

There being no further business the Mayor adjourned the meeting.

Gary W. Davenport, Mayor

ATTEST:

Deborah Rowe, Town Clerk

Council Members
