## City of New Ellenton Regular Meeting of City Council New Ellenton City Hall MINUTES

Monday, March 19, 2018

7:02 PM

WELCOME: V. Dunbar

**INVOCATION:** David Dunbar

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All Stood

#### **ROLL CALL FOR THE RECORD:**

<u>Council present</u> - Vernon Dunbar, David Dunbar, Sr., Terence Williams, Ron Reynolds, Eartha Rogers(came in after official roll call)

<u>Others present</u> –Zorayda El, Crystal Smith, Doris Bing, Levi Green, Mike(Aiken Co. School Board/assisted Levi w/presentation), K. Patterson, Geneva Jackson, Chief Parks

\*(Councilman Sammie McDuffie called City Hall ten minutes before meeting began and City Clerk, Zorayda El, to ask Mayor Dunbar to listen to meeting via speaker phone because he couldn't be present. Mayor Dunbar agreed that he may listen, but he couldn't be counted as a vote or participate in the capacity of councilman by phone)

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Levi Green- Aiken County School Board- "Bond Referendum" (Voting date is May 1, 2018)

Motion to approve: Terence Williams

2nd to the motion: David Dunbar

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval of bond referendum and letter of support to be sent to editor of Aiken Standard.

\* 4 Students from NEMS were accepted into the Aiken Scholars Academy to be held at USCA. There will be a "State of the Union" at Silver Bluff High School on March 22, 2018. Levi encouraged council to have a dialog with Dr. Foster about options for announcing booth at football field located behind NEMS.

#### APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

February 20, 2018 - Regular Meeting

Motion to approve: David Dunbar

2nd to the motion: Ron Reynolds

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

## March 5, 2018- Special Meeting

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Terence Williams

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. 2nd Reading- Approval of City Council Pay Increase

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Eartha Rogers

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

2. Discuss - Zoning Appeal Meeting March 9,2018-Information only

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

## 1. Approval of Capital Sales Tax Items

Motion to approve: Eartha Rogers

2nd to the motion: Terence Williams

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

### **COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**

\*Mayor- Election will be held March 27, 2018. Tentative scheduling of Council Retreat to be held Sunday, April 15, 2018 based on results of election. There will need to be a discussion of sewer policies. No telephone polls will be done without Mayor and Mayor Pro-tem receiving request in writing before approval. \*Mike(Fire Chief)-Ground breaking ceremony for new fire department has been pushed back to May. The new center is expected to lower homeowner's insurance @ least 50% for homeowner's within a five mile radius.

\*Chief Parks-Welcomed and introduced Officer (James) Mitchell.

# Approval of Officer James Mitchell as police officer

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Eartha Rogers

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval & start date of April 2, 2018

\*Ron- \$2500 approved during phone poll was to include monthly maintenance, but the amount approved does not include maintenance.

\*Terence- When fields are prepped it means the dirt will be turned over in preparation for baseball season. That does not include cutting and chalking.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Eartha Rogers

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

#### **INFORMATION:**

## Supporting materials attached:

Ordinance No. 3-5-18 Council Pay Increase 1% Wish List

ity Clerk Signature/Date

Mayor/Date