

Regular Meeting of City Council New Ellenton City Hall Mon., Nov.20, 2023 7:00 PM

Minutes

Meeting was live streamed/recorded via city Facebook page

WELCOME: Mayor Kimberly Williams

INVOCATION: Councilwoman Geneva S. Jackson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All Stood

COUNCIL ROLL CALL:

Council Present: Kimberly Williams; Carl Culpepper, III; Geneva S. Jackson; Faye Durham; Ricky Foster

Council Not Present: Elvira Johnson-Holley **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

*David Alexander(Recreation Director)- Hosted season for Aiken County Youth Football League at NEMS; Thank you to Maria, Zorayda, & Coouncilwoman Jackson for assisting with the gate and concession during the season & police staff for presence; Hosting North/South All Star games Nov. 30th @ 6pm & there will be a food truck; Youth Sports will participate in Christmas Parade.

*Chief Kellems(Fire)- 1453 calls for service @ average of 4 calls per day for the year; appreciation for each volunteer; day staff at fire station was involved in north bound accident last week after a vehicle crossed four lanes on Main Street & hit QRV(quick response vehicle); vehicle will be fixed; honored to lead the staff.

*Interim Chief Solomon(Police)- 195 calls for service for the month; attended SCPCA training & made good contacts with other chiefs; both recruits did well in testing & will be going to the academy soon as long as they continue to progress; Flock camera system will relocate camera from Sizemore to Whiskey(Dry Branch for \$750 fee-great camera system enjoy being able to use on laptops; able to use system to identify exact vehicle & license plate information after hit and run on Whiskey & Eagle Rd.

*lason Morgan(Streets & Roads Manager)- dump truck canopy was added to truck and will save time going to landfill; F-150 that was vandalized is back in use; lift station pump was replaced & in working order; East Pine sewer blockage cleared.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES:

Regular Council Meeting October 16, 2023

Motion to approve: Geneva S. Jackson 2nd to the motion: Faye Durham

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval with correction & addition of the words: treat

& properly

OLD BUSINESS: N/A **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. First Reading Approval of Updated Business License Ordinance

Motion to approve: Carl Culpepper, III 2nd to the motion: Ricky Foster

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

2. First Reading Approval of Amended Sewer Rate Ordinance

Motion to approve: Carl Culpepper, III 2nd to the motion: Ricky Foster

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval postpone vote until information is received by next meeting after Kenny completes study of usage data with Commission of Public Works

3. Vote on Employee Christmas Bonuses

Motion to approve: Carl Culpepper, III

2nd to the motion: Geneva S. Jackson

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval of \$250 for Full-time; \$125 for Part-time employees

4. Approval of 2024 Calendar of Events *Motion to approve*: Carl Culpepper, III *2nd to the motion*: Geneva S. Jackson

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:

*Kim Williams (Mayor) - revival held at Farmer's Market, per Councilwoman Johnson-Holley, was nice during the two day event; paving of road letter has been sent & received for residents of Williamson; Thank you for Night of Hope as it was great for the city and hopes to do it next year; Shopping center owner has been contacted about installation of more lighting for parking lot; \$1 Million RIA grant was awarded to the city for sewer plant projects.

*Geneva lackson- New Zion Branch will be hosting the 23rd Annual Community dinner (drive through only) from 11am-3pm; Whiskey & Eagle Rd. ARTS-delay due to AT&T line installation-work to resume in the next couple weeks

*Carl Culpepper, III-

*Fave Durham- Tree Lighting will be held Nov. 30th @ 6:30pm; there will be gifts for every child; Greendale and Talatha Baptist singing in parade on Dec. 2nd; Night of Hope was great & over 100 people attended.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to approve: Ricky Foster

2nd to the motion: Faye Durham

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A

INFORMATION:

Supporting materials attached:

Ordinance No. 12-18-23 Ordinance N. 12-18-23(2) Exhibit A

2024 Calendar of Events

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