

**City of New Ellenton  
Regular Meeting of City Council  
New Ellenton Community Center  
MINUTES**

**Monday, September 21, 2020      7:00 PM**

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**WELCOME:** Mayor Vernon Dunbar

**INVOCATION:** Crystal Bing-Smith

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All Stood

**ROLL CALL FOR THE RECORD:**

**Council present** – Vernon Dunbar, Terence Williams, Sr., Ron Reynolds, Crystal Bing-Smith, Faye Durham, Carl Culpepper III, Jason Morgan

**Others present** – Zorayda El, Alesia Parks(Chief of Police), Roger Leduc(City Administrator), Joshua Duval, Elvira Johnson-Holley, Jay Ray, Mike Kellems, Emory Langston, Eric Carrier, Geraldine Bradham, Bill (\*last name inaudible), Philip Moore, Geneva Jackson, David Alexander

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**\*Elvira Johnson-Holley-**Asked that City Clerk check with library in hopes that they would be able to host a job fair. She feels Bi-Lo looks better lately.

**\*Joshua Duval-** Dollar General closed for temporary remodeling. Dollar Tree is having an issue with people not wearing masks throughout the stores. Believes that anyone who doesn't enforce the mask wearing rule is a menace.

**\*David Alexander-** update for youth programs: there is a possibility to have a golf program once per week. The concession stand at the NEMS field needs an ice machine; portable A/C & heating units. Spring football may be a discussion with Aiken Co. Youth Football League.

**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Aug. 17, 2020- Regular Meeting

*Motion to approve:* Ron Reynolds

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion:* Terence Williams

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Discuss Extension of Mask Ordinance

*Motion to approve:* Ron Reynolds

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion:* Terence Williams

*There was a 4 person vote in favor of approval; 3 person vote opposed*

2. Discuss Status of Sewer Plant Grant

\*Application has gone through and there should be an update in the next 30 days (per Roger). Replacement of many of the items listed in grant will deplete the entirety of grant funding.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Discuss Community Center – Polling Place Accessibility Non- Compliant

\*Roger will meet with a representative to discuss non-compliance & what, if any, corrections will need to be made.

2. Discuss Annual Thanksgiving Feast November 24<sup>th</sup>

\*Event will be held @ Community Center & will be drive through for safety.

3. First Reading of Ordinance to Approve the Comprehensive Plan

*Motion to approve:* Ron Reynolds

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion:* Crystal Bing-Smith

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval*

4. Approval of Purchase of Public Works Equipment

Motion to approve Husqvarna up to \$15,100 from Shoemaker dependent on State Contract: Ron Reynolds

2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Faye Durham

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

Motion to approve Holley Tractor quote on state contract not to exceed \$39,229.92: Terence Williams

2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Jason Morgan

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

Motion to approve 2 Ford F-150's @ \$25,243/vehicle from Vic Bailey Ford: Ron Reynolds

2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Carl Culpepper, III

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

Motion to approve \$5,000 worth of estimates for remaining updates for S&R storage/elec.: Terence Williams

2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Ron Reynolds

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

**COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**

**\*Mayor Vernon-** Will look into getting gutter/downspouts at City Hall.

**\* Terence Williams-**Planning another food drive Oct. 16, tentatively

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Terence Williams

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**INFORMATION:**

**Supporting materials attached:**

- Mask Ordinance
- Polling Place Accessibility Checklist
- Annual Thanksgiving Feast Letter
- Ordinance -Comprehensive Plan
- Quotes for Equipment

 10/21/20  
 City Clerk Signature/Date

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 Mayor/Date