

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

Tuesday, February 19, 2019

7:03 PM

WELCOME: Vernon Dunbar

INVOCATION: David Dunbar

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All Stood

ROLL CALL FOR THE RECORD

Council present – Vernon Dunbar, David Dunbar, Sr., Terence Williams, Ron Reynolds, Sammie McDuffie, III (after roll call)

Others present – Zorayda El, Roger Leduc, Mike Kellems, Maria Tamimi-Bush, Marion Parks, Chief Alesia Parks, Kendrick Patterson, Lt. Shawn Middleton, Joshua Duval

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

***Joshua Duval**- There will be open seats in the water commission (Anthony Shaw & Robert Duval). He has questions about who will certify their elections. The Mayor advised that he contact the County because the City will get notifications from them after CPW has selected dates, seats, etc.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

January 22, 2019- Regular Meeting

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: David Dunbar

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Selection of Election Commission Members (1)-TABLED
2. Council Retreat- Information-Planning meeting ONLY-

***Roger Leduc**- Council retreat meeting was an effort to look forward and make plans for sewer improvements in the next 16 months. The most important element will be to have a detailed map detailing the location of the sewer lines/taps throughout the city that would be done with cameras. There may be an RIA grant to assist with the plan for the sewer improvements.

NEW BUSINESS:

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

***Chief Parks**- Officer Hitt's last day will be Feb. 22, 2019. Department will need at least 1 officer after his retirement. Police department will be expecting to get information about new vests and body cameras.

***Lt. Shawn Middleton**- Attended class to get better insight and direction on how to get City of New Ellenton's evidence room accredited.

***Mike Kellems**- Fire department received check for fire fees & it seems they will be \$70,000 under proposed budget. Station #4 on Colbert Bridge Rd. has 3 quotes for site work and 3 quotes for building being prepared. Station #3 on Range Rd. there is an adjacent property with two storage sheds on the property line of our parcel. The owner of the adjacent property would like to work with the city to resolve the issue by offering to buy the land so it may be included in the sale of the property. The land is less than a quarter acre, so Roger advises that we should receive a legal contract for sale and council will have to pass an ordinance for this sale.

***Sammie-** There was a great time had by all at the Feb. 9th baseball camp. Another camp is scheduled for March 11th from 11-1pm at NEMS field. Jackson held a camp on the same day, so turnout was expected to be lower, but around 30 children participated. Flyers are available on school websites in the area. Practice will begin the first week of March. There is a landscaper bid to turn over field at NEMS. Sammie questioned if money to pay for the light bill at the NEMS field part of the recreation budget. The answer is yes.

***Mayor Vernon Dunbar-** Attended Mayor's meeting that was very informative and the information that fire departments will receive some of the Local Options Sales Tax monies was welcomed. There are plans that a signal will be placed at Eagle Rd.

ADIJOURNMENT

Motion to approve: Sammie McDuffie, III

2nd to the motion: Ron Reynolds

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

EXECUTIVE SESSION

INFORMATION:

Supporting materials attached:

Zorayda J. P. 03/18/19
City Clerk Signature Date

V. Dunbar 3/18/19
Mayor/Date