

City of New Ellenton
Regular Meeting of City Council
City Hall Council Chambers
Minutes

Monday, March 19, 2012

1. Welcome

Interim Mayor Nordeen welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Invocation

Pastor Elijah McDaniel offered the invocation.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call for the Record

Present: Terence Williams, Rex Nordeen, Daniel Braswell, Roy Shaw.

Absent: Debbie Maddox

Others Present: City Clerk Vernel Sanders, Assistant City Clerk Courtney Moseley, Chief Alesia Parks, Phil Stack, Glenda Henderson, Jesse Keenan, Evonne Nordeen, Elijah McDaniel, Sherrie McDaniel. There were others present but their names were inaudible.

5. Approval of Financial Statements

a) *February 2012 – Councilman Williams **MOVED** to approve the financials for February 2012; **SECONDED** by Councilman Braswell. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.***

6. Approval of Council Minutes

a) *January 17, 2012 – Regular Meeting.* City Clerk Sanders stated these minutes were tabled at the last city council meeting because they were deemed to not be verbatim. City Clerk Sanders stated she, as well as Assistant City Clerk Moseley, listened to the tapes on three occasions and very little change was made. City Clerk Sanders stated there may have been some discussions in the background where more than one person was talking at the same time making inaudible. **Councilman Braswell *MOVED* to approve the January 17, 2012 Regular Meeting minutes; **SECONDED** by Councilman Shaw. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.****

b) *February 21, 2012 – Work Session*

Councilman Shaw *MOVED* to approve the February 21, 2012 Work Session minutes; **SECONDED by Councilman Williams. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.****

c) *February 21, 2012 – Regular Meeting*

Councilman Braswell *MOVED* to approve the February 21, 2012 Regular Meeting minutes; **SECONDED by Councilman Shaw. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.****

7. New Business

a) *Copy Machine Lease Agreement:*

Interim Mayor Nordeen stated the 48 and 60 month lease agreements for the copy machines were reviewed. Interim Mayor Nordeen stated the 60 month lease would cover three copy machines at \$449.00 per month. ***Councilman Williams MOVED to purchase the copiers from CSRA Document Solutions for 60 months at a price of \$449.00 per month; SECONDED by Councilman Braswell. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.***

b) *Allen Edenfield – Retainer for Services:*

Interim Mayor Nordeen stated discussions were conducted during the Work Session and more information is needed before a decision can be made. ***Councilman Williams MOVED to table the retainer of the Allen Edenfield engineering agreement for changes proposed by council; SECONDED by Councilman Braswell. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.***

8. Report from Police Chief

Chief Parks gave stats for the month of February. Calls for Service – 126, which generated 17 reports; Traffic – 53; and Arrests – 5.

9. Report from Fire Chief

Chief Kellems was absent. Interim Mayor Nordeen asked Assistant City Clerk Moseley to follow up with Chief Kellems on the fire district signs.

10. Report from Committees

a) *Administration* – Interim Mayor Nordeen stated there are two vacancies on the Planning Commission. The Appeals Board is now full. Interim Mayor Nordeen stated the positions are voluntary and training would be required. City Clerk Sanders stated four of the five city council members will be attending the training offered by MASC on basic budgeting.

b) *Fire Department* – No Report.

c) *Police Department* – City Clerk Sanders stated Curtis Murphy was awarded Best Work-Release Site throughout the county by the South Carolina Probation and Parole, which is community service program under Municipal Court. Interim Mayor Nordeen stated there was an accident in the city where a tree limb hit a gentleman's car and went through the windshield causing extensive damage and injury. Councilwoman Maddox passed by and called law enforcement who responded to the scene quickly and stood by until the Highway Patrol could arrive.

d) *Streets and Roads* – No Report.

e) *Sewer and Sanitation* – Interim Mayor Nordeen stated the work is progressing on the chemical building. Interim Mayor Nordeen stated the grant money has not been received yet from the State. City Clerk Sanders stated the State called stating there was a problem with the appointments of the two open seats to the committee which was causing the delay.

f) *Parks & Recreation* – Councilman Williams stated practice will begin Wednesday afternoon. Councilman Williams stated there will be a baseball season and the City of New Ellenton will join up with Jackson again and play within the Silver Bluff franchise. Councilman Braswell stated the age limit for tee ball is four to seven and baseball is eight and up. Councilman Williams stated registration is accepted at City Hall. Councilman Braswell stated four of the local churches and the Women of Essence ladies group is organizing a community Easter egg hunt in the park on April 7, 2012, between the hours of 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. There will be food and entertainment provided. Donations will be accepted. City Clerk Sanders stated baskets are being prepared for the senior citizens.

11. Adjournment

Councilman Williams MOVED to adjourn; SECONDED by Councilman Shaw. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Motion approved. Adjourned.

Mayor's Signature

Date

Municipal Clerk Signature

Date