

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

Monday, June 18, 2012 @ 7:00 PM

WELCOME: Mayor Interim Daniel Braswell called the meeting to order at 7 PM.

INVOCATION: Councilman David Dunbar, Sr. offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: ALL

ROLL CALL FOR THE RECORD:

Council Present – Daniel Braswell, Roy Shaw, David Dunbar

Council Absent – Eartha Rogers, Terence Williams

Others present – City Clerk Vernel Sanders, Assistant City Clerk Courtney Moseley, Fire Chief Mike Kellems, Police Chief Alesia Parks, Phil Stack, Glenda Henderson, Roger Henderson, Scott Neely, Carolyn Dunbar, Debbie Maddox

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: May 2012

Motion to accept – Councilman Shaw

Second to motion – Councilman Dunbar

Unanimously approved by a show of hands.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES:

May 21, 2012 – Work Session

Motion to accept – Councilman Dunbar

Second to motion – Councilman Shaw

Unanimously approved by a show of hands.

May 21, 2012 – Regular Meeting

Motion to accept – Councilman Shaw

Second to motion – Councilman Dunbar

Unanimously approved by a show of hands.

June 4, 2012 – Work Session

Motion to accept – Councilman Dunbar

Second to motion – Councilman Shaw

Unanimously approved by a show of hands.

June 11, 2012 – Budget Work Session

Motion to accept – Councilman Shaw

Second to motion – Councilman Dunbar

Unanimously approved by a show of hands.

June 14, 2012 – Budget Work Session

Motion to accept – Councilman Dunbar

Second to motion – Councilman Shaw

Unanimously approved by a show of hands.

OLD BUSINESS:

Second Reading: Adoption of Aiken County FEMA/Floodplan

Motion to adopt – Councilman Shaw

Second to motion – Councilman Dunbar

Unanimously approved by a show of hands

Purchase of Electric Sign for City Hall

Motion to purchase electric sign for City Hall/Library from Patterson Signs & Art for \$21,336 (including \$150 extended warranty) with funding to come from 1 Percent Sales Tax Money – Councilman Dunbar

Second to motion – Councilman Shaw

Unanimously approved by a show of hands.

Letter of engagement – Mrs. Ann Lang, CPA

Motion to sign letter of engagement to approve renewal of contract with Mrs. Ann Lang, CPA, for 3 more years of service at \$1500 per month – Councilman Shaw

Second to motion – Councilman Dunbar

Unanimously approved by a show of hands.

NEW BUSINESS:

First Reading: Adoption of City budget for fiscal year 2012-2013

Motion to adopt on first reading – Councilman Dunbar

Second to motion – Councilman Shaw

Mayor Interim Braswell thanked Council and Staff for their time and assistance in balancing the budget.

Final reading of the budget will be June 26 at 6 PM.

Unanimously approved by a show of hands

Agreement with Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ)

Motion to approve – Councilman Shaw

Second to motion – Councilman Dunbar

Unanimously approved by a show of hands

Bunker gear for the Fire Department

Motion to approve the purchase of bunker gear from Safe Industries, total amount \$21,542 – Councilman Dunbar

Second to motion – Councilman Shaw

Unanimously approved by a show of hands

Thermal Imaging Camera for Fire Department

Motion to approve the purchase of 2 thermal imaging cameras in the amount of \$16,264 – Councilman Shaw

Second to motion – Councilman Dunbar

Unanimously approved by a show of hands

Brush Truck for the Fire Department

Motion to approve purchase of a brush truck not to exceed \$15,000 (tax included) – Councilman Dunbar

Second to motion – Councilman Shaw

Unanimously approved by a show of hands

Forestry Skid Unit for Brush Truck for Fire Department

Motion to approve purchase of skid unit from Slagle's to total \$14,728.50 – Councilman Dunbar

Second to motion – Councilman Shaw

Unanimously approved by a show of hands

REPORT FROM POLICE CHIEF: Chief Alesia Parks left on an emergency call.

REPORT FROM FIRE CHIEF: Presented by Chief Mike Kellems

Chief Kellems reported 38 calls for service including 5 fire calls and 33 medical calls. He also announced that two fire department volunteers will be starting an EMT course tomorrow. Lastly, in conjunction with the Women of Essence group, the Fire Department will be hosting a back to school day on July 21st from approximately 10 am to 2 pm at the Civic Center/Fire Department to include a water slide, food, an open house at the Fire Department, and a fire truck with water hose for the children.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEES:

Administration: Daniel Braswell, Terence Williams

- Vacancy on Planning Commission
- Back to school event at the Civic Center on July 21
- Special Election on July 3

Fire Department: Roy Shaw, Eartha Rogers

- Atomic City Festival October 13
- A company may be presenting sprinkler systems for residential homes at the festival.
- Fire alarms help insurance rates

Police Department: Terence Williams, Roy Shaw

- Councilman Shaw mentioned speeders on Main Street

Streets & Roads: Daniel Braswell, Eartha Rogers

- Announced that brush around track has been cleared

Sewer and Sanitation: David Dunbar, Roy Shaw

- Councilman Dunbar stated that Danny Lowe had mentioned a method for money savings on repairs for the sewer department but since Mr. Lowe wasn't here, he did not recall the details.
- Mayor Interim Braswell stated that Danny is working on past approvals at the time and more information on repairs for the curtain will come.

Parks & Recreation: Daniel Braswell, Terence Williams, David Dunbar

- Registration for cheerleading and football has started
- Citizen Debbie Maddox asked about the status on the restrooms for the park and Interim Mayor Braswell stated that Council is working on the design ideas, funding, placement of the facility, etc., at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn – Councilman Shaw

Second to motion – Councilman Dunbar

Unanimously favored by a show of hands. Adjourned.

Clerk's Signature/Date