

**Regular Meeting of City Council
New Ellenton Community Center
Monday, August. 16, 2021 7:03 PM
MINUTES**

WELCOME: Vernon Dunbar

INVOCATION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL FOR THE RECORD:

Council present – Vernon Dunbar, Faye, Durham, Carl Culpepper III, Jason Morgan, Crystal Bing-Smith, Ron Reynolds, Terence Williams(after roll call)

Others present –Chief Alesia Parks, Kendrick Patterson, David Alexander, Geraldine Bradham, Zorayda El, Roger Leduc

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

***David Alexander-**Football will be broken down into divisions this week; volunteers needed schedule will be given to City Hall when available. ACTS food drive is the 4th Friday of every month. The concession stand ice machine and A/C quote will be given to council at a later date. The job of recreation director has become more of a full-time job and there should be someone in place. Awaiting Aiken County to update when they will be pouring concrete for announcer's booth. The roll gate on concession stand needs a key. Hopefully, 1st Tee program will begin again in the Fall.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

July 19, 2021- Regular Meeting

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Faye Durham

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval w/correction to show 3 council seats

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 1st Reading of Referendum to Allow Alcohol Sales on Sunday

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Terence Williams

There was a 6-1opposing vote in favor of approval

**The next reading will be held at a Special Council Meeting on 8/23 @ 6pm*

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Terence Williams

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

2. Vote on Purchasing Police Equipment

**Tabled until September meeting*

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:

***Roger Leduc-**Council should start thinking about having a salaried position to manage Recreation. There is an opportunity for another 80/20 PARD grant this year. There will need to be a list of what council would like to do by September when grant is due. USDA has money @ 1.8% rate and 40 year term loan that will help with sewer upgrades that are needed. \$2-2.5Million application for sewer upgrades was submitted and

