

Regular Meeting of City Council
New Ellenton Community Center
MINUTES
Monday, Sept. 20, 2021 7:05 PM

WELCOME:

INVOCATION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All Stood

ROLL CALL FOR THE RECORD

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

Others present –Chief Alesia Parks, Kendrick Patterson, David Alexander, Sergeant Jeremy Frank, Sergeant James Mitchell, Shaquille Lewis, Philip Moore, Kimberly Williams, Maria Tamimi-Bush, Trey Stevens, Charlie Barrineau, Geneva Jackson, Mike Kellems, Chief Goldman, Zorayda El, Roger Leduc

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

***Charlie Barrineau**-from the Municipal Association of SC (MASC)-discussed the American Rescue Plan that will allow the city to receive funding due to the pandemic that will need to be used before 2026 to make improvements, ie premium pay for employees, revenue that may have been lost, Broadband internet and Business License Standardization that will allow any business that needs a business license for the city, or any city throughout the state, to be able to go online with MASC to pay and receive license.

***Chief Kellems**-Trunk or Treat will be hosted at the New Ellenton Fire Department from 6-8pm on 10/30/21. A bigger event will be hosted in next year at Evans Park.

***Chief Parks**- Permit for parade will be submitted to DOT for parade on 12/4/21.

***Roger Leduc**- There is residential potential for at least 135 townhomes on Eagle Road and there will be an upcoming planning meeting to discuss.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Aug. 16, 2021- Regular Meeting

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Terence Williams

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

Aug. 23, 2021- Special Meeting

Motion to approve: Terence Williams

2nd to the motion: Ron Reynolds

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Vote on Purchasing Police Equipment-Chief Goldman from Salley, SC came to discuss the prospective equipment that will be purchased because they use the technology.

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds

2nd to the motion: Terence Williams

There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval 5 Rugged computers w/accessories, outfitting of cars, software, storage on cloud and monthly billing.

2. Discuss Atomic City Festival

Motion to approve: Faye Durham

2nd to the motion: Terence Williams

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There was a vote in favor of approval for the City to sponsor the Rock Climbing Wall \$2977.88 and Bouncy Houses \$1750 and have Atomic City Festival on 10/19/21

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Approve Resolution Adopting the Aiken County Natural Mitigation Plan 2020
Motion to approve: Terence Williams
2nd to the motion: Ron Reynolds
There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval
2. Discuss 1% Wish List
3. Discuss PARD Grant
Grant due by the end of October-submittal to include reseal/coat walking track, park benches, collapsible/movable bleachers, open-air market
4. Discuss Sewer Manhole Survey-After reaching out to City Attorney Chris Austin, there has been contact made with Abraham (the company contracted to complete mapping of sewer lines throughout the city). Abraham will need to have assistance from the Streets & Roads department in order to fulfill the request for mapping completion and they will begin in the upcoming week.

COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

***Terence Williams-** Air conditioning unit and ice machine for the field behind NEMS will have to get completed at the same time in order for ice machine to not break. Estimate was sent, but individual cost will need to be clarified and updated at next meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to approve: Ron Reynolds
2nd to the motion: Faye Durham
There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval

EXECUTIVE SESSION

INFORMATION:


General Election – November 2, 2021

Supporting materials attached:

Email from Faye Durham-"Atomic City Festival"
Resolution No. 9-20-2021
Wish List
Email from Tad Abraham

 10/18/21

City Clerk Signature/Date

 10/18/21

Mayor/Date