

**Regular Meeting of City Council  
New Ellenton City Hall  
Tues, Feb.20, 2024 7:05 PM  
MINUTES**

**\*Meeting streamed live on City's Facebook page\***

**WORK SESSION** 6:00 pm

1. Discuss a Date for a Work Session to Discuss the Projects List for the Next Round of LOST Capital Projects and Other Possible Work Sessions
2. Discussion of Growth of Parks and Recreation Department
3. Discussion of Meeting Schedules and Committees

**WELCOME:** Mayor Kimberly Williams

**INVOCATION:** Councilwoman Geneva S. Jackson

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All Stood

**COUNCIL ROLL CALL:**

**Council Present:** Kimberly Williams; Carl Culpepper, III; Geneva S. Jackson; Ashley Morgan; Ricky Foster; James Anderson; Elvira Johnson-Holley

**Council Not Present:** N/A

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

**\*David Alexander-Recreation Director-** Aiken County Youth Football League meeting next week; looks forward to working with Councilman James on new programs.

**\*Chief Solomon(Police Department)-** Two officers in active shooter training next month; FTO(Allen Bolton) 90 day training & was sworn-in today; department took the lead of pursuit with Officers Ayre & Day assisting in apprehension of subject-driver was taken into custody without incident; department has one Reserve Officer.

**\*Jason Morgan(Streets/Roads Supervisor)-** sewer main issue was repaired by Spicer On-Call & new parts installed for air pressure relief valve.

**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Regular Council Meeting January 16, 2024

*Motion to approve: Carl Culpepper, III*

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Elvira Johnson-Holley*

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Approval of Updated Nepotism Policy

*Motion to approve: Carl Culpepper, III*

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: James Anderson*

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval; Ashley Morgan recusal because husband is an employee of the city.*

2. Approval of Plans for Section 6 of The Pines

*Motion to approve: Carl Culpepper, III*

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Elvira Johnson-Holley*

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval; James Anderson recusal because he is a property owner in The Pines.*

3. Approval of up to \$6,000 for Recreation Equipment

*Motion to approve: Ricky Foster*

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Geneva S. Jackson*

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval*

4. Approval of Aerator Motors for Sewer Plant

*Motion to approve: Carl Culpepper, III*

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Elvira Johnson-Holley*

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval for \$16,055.78 for emergency aerator purchase with A&A Electric Motor & Repair, Inc.*

**COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:**

**\*Kim Williams(Mayor)-** Thank you to all in attendance

**\*Carl Culpepper, III-** Attended State Legislature Day with Council members Elvira, Geneva whom have graduated & Kim who graduated in June; James & Ashley attended their first this year.; thank you Debra Creech & Christ Central.

**\*Elvira Johnson-Holley-** Attended State Legislature Day; shared the growth in CSRA and the city; looking into artist doing a mural in the city; glad to represent the city in article featured in Aiken Standard; 64<sup>th</sup> SRP meeting to be held March 26<sup>th</sup>; discussion with Eric Jenkins, SRP, and initially there will be a virtual teller to open in the city.

**\*Geneva Jackson-** Attended State Legislature Day; spoke to Senator Young about all things New Ellenton and lobbying for the city; worth the visit to the State House; monies for Christ Central should be sent to Christ Central location in New Ellenton, not Christ Central's main office.

**\*James Anderson-** will have equipment for every child participating in baseball; Sponsorships have raised almost half of \$6,000 being spent; sponsorships are available starting at \$100

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Motion to approve: Geneva S. Jackson*

*2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion: Elvira Johnson-Holley*

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval at 8:04pm to go into Executive Session*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: \*City Clerk not present at executive session; minutes taken by City**

**Administrator: Kenneth Cook\***

Voted to come out of Executive Session at 8:58. Motion made by Carl and seconded by Elvira. Vote was unanimous. Ashley Morgan left to go to work.

1. Discussion of Personnel Needs and Possible Personnel Changes in the Recreation Department  
Vote May be Taken after Coming out of Executive Session
2. Carl made a motion to hire a part-time parks and recreation coordinator and eliminate the youth sports stipend position. The position will work a maximum of 29 hours per week. Geneva seconded it. Vote was unanimous except for Ashley Morgan who had already left to go to work.
3. Discussion of Personnel Matter in the Public Works Department Regarding a Vacancy  
\*No vote taken\*

Carl made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Ricky. The meeting adjourned at 9:02 PM.

**INFORMATION:**

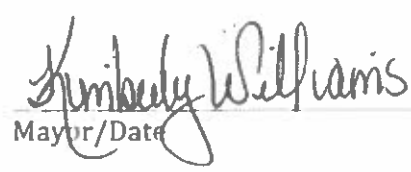
**Supporting materials attached:**

Nepotism Policy

Youth Sport Equipment Budget Memo

A&A Electric Motor and Repair Inc. Invoice # 044458

 3/18/24  
City Clerk Signature/Date

 3/18/24  
Mayor/Date

CITY OF NEW ELLENTON PROJECTS LIST FOR SALES TAX REFERENDUM V

PUBLIC WORKS: VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS

REQUEST \$336,159

SEWER SYSTEM: SEWER PLANT REHAB AND EXPANSION, INSTALLATION OF SEWER LINES, RIGHTS-OF-WAY CLEARING, FACILITIES EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENTS, SEWER SYSTEM MAPPING

REQUEST \$400,000

COMMUNITY CENTER UPGRADES

REQUEST \$50,000

POLICE: POLICE EQUIPMENT, VEHICLES, NEW POLICE FACILITIES AND CALL STATIONS

REQUEST \$390,000

RECREATION: PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND NEW RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT, PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENTS, PURCHASE AND/OR DEVELOPMENT OF PROPERTY(S) TO EXPAND RECREATION AND ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

REQUEST \$208,000

STREETS: STORMWATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS, STREETS IMPROVEMENTS, CITY BEAUTIFICATION, PARKING LOT PAVING OF CITY FACILITIES, STREETS VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

REQUEST \$500,000

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

EXPANSION OF FIRE STATIONS- REQUEST \$50,000

FIRE EQUIPMENT/PPE-REQUEST \$50,000

FARMERS MARKET IMPROVEMENTS: REQUEST \$46,881

TOTAL REQUEST= \$2,031,040.00



# New Ellenton Police Department

Joshua Solomon  
Chief of Police



ATTN: City of New Ellenton Council  
March 18, 2024 City Council Meeting

The New Ellenton Police Department had the following totals for the month of February 2024:

- (11) Incident reports completed
- (2) Collision reports completed
- (111) Calls for service
- (37) Citations issued
- (16) Warnings issued

(2) officers and myself attended an active shooter training hosted by SLED in Gilbert to get better hands-on experience in becoming versed in mass incident management such as this type of emergency.

With a group effort in designing a new NEPD patch, we have submitted the sample to patch making companies to obtain pricing to outfit our uniforms which would take place of our current patch. We would still require having the new patches sewn onto the uniforms once we obtain them.

Quotes received are:

1. Aiken Embroidery - \$3.00/patch for tackle twill with embroidery
2. SignaturePatches.com - \$597.00 for (300) patches
3. PatchProfessionals.com - \$603.00 for (300) patches

