

**Regular Meeting of City Council**

**New Ellenton City Hall**

**Mon., June 16, 2025 7:00 PM**

**Minutes**

**\*Meeting streamed live on city Facebook page\***

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**WORK SESSION:**

**WELCOME:** Mayor Kimberly Williams

**INVOCATION:** Elvira Johnson-Holley

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All stood

**COUNCIL ROLL CALL:** All present

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Christ Central Update- Deborah Creech/Tina Thomas- Self Defense Training, Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Community Center 3pm.

Midlands Fatherhood Coalition- Maurice Lindsey, Site Director; and Keith Ivey, Director of Programming – presented program overview to Council, weekly peer group session, goal setting, case management and employment services. New office on Whiskey Rd in Aiken looking to grow and develop corporate partnerships for employment opportunities; looking to create new partnerships with agencies and organizations to support fathers.

**\*Administration-(Lynn McEwen)** Working on .gov emails; PARD grant to reimburse restroom updates, well repairs and shade structure for playground; two vacant positions posted and interviews scheduled; 2025 Elections filing Monday July 7<sup>th</sup>- Monday July 14<sup>th</sup> by 12 noon; 3 Council seats, 2 Water Commissioners and Mayor open; Hometown Hero Banner deadline for introductory rate of \$50 ends July 21<sup>st</sup> and then we turn it over to Aiken County Veteran Program.

**\*Fire Chief-(Mike Kellems)**-134 calls for service; 79% medical;21% fire; \$11,400 over budget good to report.

**\*Police Chief-(Chief J. Solomon)**-information from police report (report available at [www.newellentonsc.gov](http://www.newellentonsc.gov) with approved minutes); Night Out event had a great turnout from the community: Dunk tank raised \$248 for Fallen Officer Memorial Fund.

**\*Streets/Roads/Sewer-(Jason Morgan)**- SCDOT supervisor looked at sidewalks need for repairs and cleanup from overgrown vegetation.

**\*Parks Recreation & Tourism (Lynn McEwen)**- Farmer's Market has four weeks left; Line dancing/exercise 9-10am; may have back to school event in July; Football has started conditioning; sign ups to start next week; Parks& Rec. opening is advertised.

**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

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*Motion to approve:* Elvira Johnson-Holley

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

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval*

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Second and Final Reading of Ordinance 2025-01: An Ordinance Granting Consent to Spectrum Southeast, LLC's Application for Franchise for Cable or Video Service and Setting Franchise Fee

*Motion to read by title only:* Carl Culpepper, III

*2<sup>nd</sup> Ricky Foster*

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of approval*

*Motion to approve on Final Reading:* Carl Culpepper, III

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

- Second and Final Reading of Ordinance 2025-02: An Ordinance to Repeal and Replace in its Entirety Article III SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL Sections 11:40-48 with Sections 11:40-56 and Article IV, Section 12:1-5 Declaration of Policy and Authority

**COMMENTS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL:**

**\*Elvira Johnson-Holley** – SRP Ribbon Cutting Ceremony 2<sup>nd</sup> week in July for the Virtual Teller.

**Geneva S. Jackson**- Juneteenth Celebration Thursday at 6pm Farmers Market; small program of singing, food, fellowship and networking.

Annual Municipal Association Meeting in July and reservations have been set.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Special Council Meeting - Public Hearing and Second & Final Reading of Budget will be held on Monday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

*Motion to adjourn: Elvira Johnson-Holley*

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

*There was a unanimous vote in favor of adjournment*

  
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City Clerk Signature/Date 7/21/25

  
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Mayor Signature/Date



# *New Ellenton Police Department*

Joshua Solomon  
**Chief of Police**

ATTN: City of New Ellenton Council  
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The New Ellenton Police Department had the following totals for the span from May 19, 2025.  
to June 16, 2025:

- (27) Incident reports completed
- (107) Calls for service with (48) assisting other agencies
- (76) Citations issued
- (33) Warnings issued
- (3) arrest made
- (1) Collision report completed

\*Verkada cameras are progressing, getting connected and operational. Still working on Farmer's Market as quote received last month was substantially more expensive than anticipated and aiming to get a second quote soon which would bring the Farmer's Market cameras online. Relocated the camera in Park from Gazebo to Community Center and online working currently.

\*NEPD encouraging ride-along's to give better perception of daily Officer activities by public, still would like Council members to participate.

\*Officer Craig just completed the School Resource Officer conference last week with great information to assist her in being an even more vital part to Greendale Elementary.

\*Still having transmission issues with 2019 Tahoe, radiator being replaced under warranty but will get it back to PD this Thursday. 2018 Explorer is down with it not going into gear/coming out of park. No spare vehicles and Officer's sharing a patrol car currently as a result.