

CITY OF EAST ELLIJAY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 21, 2025

THE EAST ELLIJAY CITY COUNCIL CONVENED A COUNCIL MEETING ON MAY 21, 2025 AT EAST ELLIJAY CITY HALL.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR
CHRIS CALLIHAN, MAYOR PRO-TEM
ED FORRESTER
LINDA SMITH
JAMES WATERS

CITY OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

PETRINA PRITCHETT- CITY CLERK
LARRY CALLAHAN – PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR
JAXON WEST – CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
KENNY BARNEYCASTLE – STREET DEPARTMENT MANAGER
SHANE BOWMAN – ASSISTANT POLICE CHIEF - ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER:

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:00 P.M. BY MAYOR DON CALLIHAN.

1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING UPON A MOTION BY ED FORRESTER AND A SECOND BY CHRIS CALLIHAN.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MINUTES FOR THE LAST MEETING HELD ON MARCH 19, 2025.

MOTION: LINDA SMITH

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

A- REVIEW/ACTION – PRESENT 2025-2026 ALL FUNDS BUDGET TO COUNCIL FOR REVIEW

COUNCIL WAS PRESENTED THE PROPOSED ALL FUNDS BUDGET FOR 2024-2025 FOR REVIEW.
NO MOTION WAS MADE.

MOTION:

SECOND:

B- REVIEW/ACTION – FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MARCH & APRIL 2025

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MARCH & APRIL 2025.

MOTION: JAMES WATERS

SECOND: ED FORRESTER

C- REVIEW/ACTION – ALCOHOL LICENSES

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE ALCOHOL LICENSES AS PER THE ATTACHED MEMO FROM STAFF MEMBER JACQUE HEFNER.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: LINDA SMITH

D- REVIEW/ACTION – NEW BUSINESS LICENSES

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE BUSINESS LICENSES AS PER THE ATTACHED MEMO FROM STAFF MEMBER JACQUE HEFNER.

MOTION: LINDA SMITH

SECOND: JAMES WATERS

E- REVIEW/ACTION – LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT – ASHLEY CARMİ RIDLEY

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED TO APPOINT ASHLEY CARMİ RIDLEY TO THE LIBRARY BOARD. THE TERM WILL BEGIN ON JULY 1, 2025 AND END ON JUNE 30, 2028.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

F- REVIEW/ACTION – INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR FIRE SERVICES

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR FIRE SERVICES WITH THE COUNTY.

MOTION: JAMES WATERS

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

G- REVIEW/ACTION – RESOLUTION 2025-04 – MORATORIUM EXTENSION 2025

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED RESOLUTION 2025-04 REGARDING THE MORATORIUM EXTENSION WITH THE ADDITION OF A 12 MONTH MORATORIUM ON ACCEPTING DEANNEXATION APPLICATIONS.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: LINDA SMITH

4. **OLD BUSINESS**

5. **MAYORS REPORT**

A. CD RENEWAL \$226,000 AT EDWARD JONES FOR ONE YEAR AT 4.10%

6. **COMMITTEE MEMBERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS**

A. **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT – LARRY CALLAHAN**

SEE ATTACHED MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

7. **CITIZEN INPUT**

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 3:12 P.M.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: LINDA SMITH



DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR



PETRINA PRITCHETT, CITY CLERK