

**CITY OF EAST ELLIJAY**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**NOVEMBER 19, 2025**

THE EAST ELLIJAY CITY COUNCIL CONVENED A COUNCIL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 19, 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 10:00 A.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 SECONDY BY LINDA SMITH.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 15, 2025.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: JAMES WATERS

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

**A- REVIEW/ACTION – FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2025**

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR OCTOBER 2025.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

**B- REVIEW/ACTION – THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS MEAL PROGRAM – SENIOR & DISABLED CITIZENS**

MAYOR LET COUNCIL KNOW IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN TO GIVE OUT TURKEYS OR HAMS FOR THE SENIORS AND DISABLED CITIZENS. NO MOTION WAS MADE BECAUSE COUNCIL HAD ALREADY APPROVED IT IN THE BUDGET.

**C- REVIEW/ACTION – CHRISTMAS BONUS**

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED TO GIVE THE EMPLOYEES, COUNCIL, AND ONE CONTRACT EMPLOYEE A CHRISTMAS BONUS.

MOTION: LINDA SMITH

SECOND: JAMES WATERS

**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: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: ED FORRESTER

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. MAYORS REPORT

6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS

A. **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT – LARRY CALLAHAN & CITY PLANNING REPORT – JAXON WEST**  
SEE ATTACHED MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT FROM THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT. THERE WAS NO REPORT FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

B. **WATER & SEWERAGE AUTHORITY REPORT** – COMMITTEE REPORT ON SEPTEMBER BOARD MEETING OF ELLIJAY/GILMER COUNTY WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY.

7. CITIZEN INPUT

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

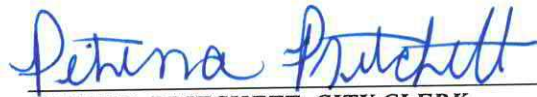
MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 10:11 A.M.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: LINDA SMITH



DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR



PETRINA PRITCHETT, CITY CLERK