

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on April 11, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. in the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston; Councilmember's: Bert Collins, Clarence Alexander, James Henderson, Johnny Persall and Clerk Judy Fortenberry. Kent Chambers was absence due to work commitment.

Guests: Dora Woodard and John Babchak, Athelia Gibbs – Eva Library

Mayor Livingston called the meeting to order. After roll call, informed all present that we open our meetings with prayer, if anyone objected we would abstain from this practice at tonight's meeting. No one objected. Mayor Livingston asked Mr. Henderson to open with prayer.

Mr. Collins motion to dispense with reading of the minutes until after hearing from our guest, Mr. Henderson seconded, carried.

Ms. Gibbs reported to the council that the Library will be honored for its outstanding level of achievement as measured by the standards outlined in the 2005 revised version of *A Plan for excellence*. She stated that the Notable Certificate of Achievement will be presented to the library on Friday, April 28 at the Public Library Division's Standards Breakfast, in Florence. She presented information on the tickets for the awards breakfast. Cost of tickets are \$22.00, Mayor stated that he could not make the meeting but for Clerk to check with Council Member Kent Chambers to see if he could make the meeting, Clerk Judy Fortenberry stated she would attend the meeting if council members could not make the trip. Mayor stated that Ms. Gibbs should keep mileage and all cost so t he town could reimburse her for all the cost.

Ms. Gibbs left the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Mayor Livingston asked if Ms Woodard or Mr. Babchak had anything to bring before the meeting and they stated they were visiting. Ms. Woodard did state that she had got in touch with her brother Wallace Woodard and they did want to annex into the Town of Eva.

Mayor Livingston asked if everyone had read the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on March 14, 2006, Mr. Collins motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Henderson seconded, motion carried.

A. FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY– MR. CHAMBERS

Council member Persall motion to pay for all of Ms. Gibbs expenses for the trip to Florence, Mr. Collins seconded carried.

Mayor presented a letter from Charlsa Perdew, K-12 Music from Eva School and Brewer High School. She requested funds for Brewer particularly for the piano, her letter stated that the piano is in rough condition and needs turning often at a cost of \$65.00 each time. She also stated that the music is very old and is dated, tattered and torn. Ordering new music cost in the neighborhood of \$97.00 for 1 piece for a choir of 70. She stated in her letter that the Choral Music receives no funding at the county level with the exception of Fee money which is split between Eva and Brewer. After a length discussion it was decided to look into the cost of a new piano for the Brewer High Choral Department. Mr. Henderson will check with his church and see how

much the new piano (Baby Grand) cost.

Mayor presented request from the Eva School Chorus to collect money at the 4-way on May 13, 2006, from 8:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. Mr. Henderson motion to approve, Mr. Alexander seconded, carried.

B: UTILITIES & STREETS– MR. ALEXANDER

Mr. Alexander reported on the meeting with Kevin Murphy concerning the widening of the 4-way. Was agreed that we need to get specification for the Alabama Department of Transportation, Clerk will get specification when she attends a meeting on May 2 at the District Office in Guntersville.

Mr. Alexander stated that the street (Cemetery Road) needs repair at Frost Accounting and at the intersection of Highway 35 and Cemetery Road; this is the location where Cullman County Water dug up the road, and repaired but has settled. This work on Cemetery Road will be the cost of the town. Mr. Alexander motion to repair Cemetery Road, Mr. Persall seconded, carried.

C. PARKS, RECREATION & Mr. CEMETERIES – MR. PERSALL

Mr. Persall reported he had talked with Mr. and Ms. West and there have been no more problems at the park.

Clerk reported that the drawings for the drainage at the park have been received. Waiting on the cost estimate from CDG, Inc.

Clerk reported that the insurance company representative came by this week, and that she again suggested that we do something about the bleachers at the park.

D. POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS – MR HENDERSON

Mr. Henderson reported on the drug bust on Fowler Road.

Mayor reported that the fire department had assisted Bethel-Gum Pond on the hanging this past week, he stated that our EMT Rebecca Nobunger did an outstanding job.

E. SANITATION & BUILDINGS– MR. COLLINS

Mr. Collins reported that the trees on the sewer property need to be cut soon, and the area cleaned before construction starts.

Reported that the contract for the project is waiting approval from Rural Development.

Also, stated that Joe Wheeler EMC should be contacted about the lines.

HEARINGS ON PETITIONS, APPOLOCS. COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUC. ETC

No Report

AUDITING ACCOUNTS – MOTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS & PAY BILLS

Motion to pay bills – Mr. Persall motioned to pay bills, Mr. Collins seconded, carried.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS & OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor Livingston introduced Ordinance Number 06-02 Titled: An Ordinance Declaring Certain Municipal Real Property To Be Surplus And Directing The Mayor To Convey The Same To The Industrial Development Board of East Morgan County, Inc.

Council member Collins moved that all rules governing the council which might, unless suspended, prevent the passage and adoption of Ordinance 06-02 at this meeting, be and the same are hereby suspended for the purpose of permitting the resolution to be finally passed and adopted at this meeting.

Council member Alexander seconded this motion.

The question was put before the council and on roll call the vote was as follows.

Mayor Livingston	Yea		
Council Member Collins	Yea	Council Member Alexander	Yea
Council Member Persall	Yea	Council Member Henderson	Yea

Mayor Livingston presiding officer declared the motion adopted by unanimous vote of the members present.

Council member Collins moved that the said Resolution 06-01 be finally passed and adopted as introduced.

Council member Henderson seconded this motion.

Mayor Livingston presiding officer put the question of final passage and the adoption of said Ordinance to vote of the council, and on call of the roll the results were as follows:

Mayor Livingston	Yea		
Council Member Collins	Yea	Council Member Alexander	Yea
Council Member Persall	Yea	Council Member Henderson	Yea

Presiding officer Mayor Livingston announced the result of the vote, and declared the Ordinance 06-02 passed and adopted.

New Business:

Mayor reported Morgan County Spring Clean-Up Week April 17-22, 2006.

Read an Invitation from the Morgan County School for an Appreciation Luncheon Buffet for Wednesday, April 26, 2006, anytime between 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Morgan County Board of Education, 1325 Point Mallard Parkway SE, Decatur, AL.

Read e-mail from Gail Busbey requesting help with a charity golf tournament for Friends of Regional Hospital (it's an organization that provides for needs of patients in N. Al. Regional Hospital that are not provided for by the state -- mental patients are not a really cute or sympathetic group, so it's hard to raise money.) Items requested: Give-away items for golfer's goody bags, Door prizes, Getting hole sponsors (\$100), Getting teams to play in the tournament (May 1).

Mr. Collins motion to sponsor one hole at the cost of \$100.00, Mr. Alexander seconded, carried.

Old Business:

Mayor reported that he had talked with George Crawford, East Morgan County Industrial Development Board, and they are willing to sell Old Town Hall back to us. Mayor will meet with Mr. Crawford and Board within the next few weeks.

Mr. Collins motion to go into executive session, Mr. Persall seconded, carried.

Mr. Henderson motion to come out of executive session, Mr. Collins seconded, carried.

Mr. Henderson motion to adjourn, Mr. Persall second, carried.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town/Clerk