

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on August 9, 2005, at 6:30 p.m. in the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston; Councilmember's: Kent Chambers, Bert Collins, Clarence Alexander, James Henderson, Johnny Persall and Clerk Judy Fortenberry.

Guests: Eloise Livingston and 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. Collins to open with prayer.

Mr. Alexander motion to abstain with minutes until after hearing from our guest, Mr. Henderson second, carried.

Mayor thanked everyone for coming out, and turned the meeting over to Eloise Livingston with the Eva Library. Ms Livingston presented to the Council a request for the sign at the Library to be reworked. The cost to redo the sign and a box of letters is \$1,369.00. Larry's sign from Vinemont had presented this quote. Ms Livingston also requested that the brick around the flower planted be repaired.

After discussion the Council decided to get a quote on repairing signs at the Community Center, Cemetery and the Library, hopefully we will get a better price by doing all three signs. Clerk will call Larry's sign for quote. (Note to file, Larry's Sign Company is the only sign company that has a license to perform work in Eva.)

At this time Ms Livingston turn the meeting over to Athelia Gibbs. Ms. Gibbs presented the report on the summer reading program and presented her 2005-2006 Budget to the Council. (See attached)

After Ms Gibbs presented the budget request Mayor asked her if we increased work hours from 25 hours a pay period to 30 hours a pay period for her and Ms Patton each if the Library could be open more than 16 hours a week. Ms Gibbs reply was that with them training to do the cataloging, they would not have time, once they finish with the training maybe. Ms Gibbs also requested that deadbolts be installed on the two doors that do not have them. Mayor asked Clerk to check on price of having them installed.

Ms. Livingston and Ms. Gibbs left the meeting at 7:12 P.M.

Mayor Livingston asked if everyone had read the minutes of the Town Meeting of July 11, 2005 – Mr. Chambers's motion to accept, Mr. Persall second, carried. Mayor asked if everyone had read the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on July 12, 2005, Mr. Henderson motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Alexander seconded, motion carried.

A. FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY– MR. CHAMBERS

Mr. Chambers presented the revised 2004-2005 budget to the council, after going over changes made, Mr. Chambers motion to accept, Mr. Collins seconded, carried.

Mr. Chambers announced the work session to work on the 2005-2006 budget on August 16, at 4:30 p.m., all agreed they could make the meeting.

B: UTILITIES & STREETS- MR. ALEXANDER

Mr. Alexander reported that he and the Mayor will be meeting with Kevin Murphy at 8:30 p.m. on August 10, to discuss the road work needed by the Town and to discuss the paving of Hwy 55 East from the School to the 4-way. Discussed replacing the culvert at the school on fall break, all was in agreement that this is the time to do the culvert. Mr. Henderson asked if he could attend the meeting with Mr. Murphy, Mayor agreed that he could along with anyone else on the council. Mayor stated that he had talked with Jimmy Walker, Mayor of Falkville, and that he had stated that Mr. Murphy was not going to pave any of Hwy 55 within the Town limits of Falkville. Mayor Livingston stated that the Town has \$20,000 to assist with the culvert and paving and that is all we will pay on this project.

C. PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES - MR. PERSALL

Mr. Persall reported that the park had passed inspection, and final payment has been requested from ADECA.

Mr. Persall reported that one of the picnic tables had turned over at the park. Was discussed and no one knows what to do about this problem. Was decided that one more table is needed to place food on. Mr. Persall and Clerk will meet at the Park and decided what size.

Clerk reported that Jon Strickland, Project Manager for ADECA had suggested that the horseshoe pit be turned into a pavilion for large groups. This was tabled until one of the council members could check and see if anyone is using the pits.

Mr. Persall reported that he did make a phone call to Ms West, concerning her letter of 6-21-05.

Mayor reported that he had talked with Chuck Chitwood, P. E. with CDG Engineers on the drainage at the Park. He stated that Mr. Chitwood suggested using rip-rap instead of flumes that the flumes will make a bigger problem on the lower side where it drains into the creek.

D. POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS - MR HENDERSON

Mr. Henderson reported that he would like to put the generator that belongs to the Fire Department up for sale on the internet. Clerk informed Mr. Henderson this could be done once the piece of property was declared surplus. Mayor motion to make the generator surplus, Mr. Henderson seconded, carried. Note the cost of this generator is not known since it was donated to the fire department. This piece of property is under \$5,000 and not on inventory.

Mr. Henderson reported that he had met with the Engineering Firm on the sidewalks the estimate is attached for information. Mr. Henderson will get with merchants in the Town and see if they are willing to help provide the matching funds. Also Mr. Henderson asked if we could check with the county to get the correct distance of the right-of-way for the center line of Highway 55 East from the School to the Library, and Highway 35 from Town Hall to the Community Center and Park.

E. SANITATION & BUILDINGS- MR. COLLINS

Mr. Collins reported that the County had worked on the road into the sewer plant and that it is looking good, waiting for a rain before putting in the rock.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES & OFFICERS

No Report

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

No Report

AUDITING ACCOUNTS - MOTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS & PAY BILLS

Motion to pay bills - Mr. Chambers motioned to pay bills, Mr. Persall seconded, carried.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS & OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor stated that they had been unable to meet at the cemetery this past month and they needed to meet and discuss the trees. All agreed to meet at the cemetery Thursday between 4:30 and 5:00 to look at the area.

Mr. Collins motion to adjourn, Mr. Chambers second, carried.

APPROVED:


Mayor

ATTEST:


Town Clerk