

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on August 12, 2008, 6:30 p.m. at the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston, Councilmember's: Kent Chambers, Johnny Persall, James Henderson, Cleo Alexander, Bert Collins and Clerk Judy Fortenberry-McDaniel.

Guests: John Holmes, Joe Hill, John Babchak, Donald Allison, Brandlee Shadden, April Shadden, John Hipps, Greg and Kim Holmes, Allen Stover – Brewer Band Booster, Brian Brown, Leasle Maze, Carolyn Holmes, Clayton Earwood, Jerry Miner, L. Maxwell, S. Childers, Cathy Campbell, Doug Farris, Marin Slatky, John Maxwell, Ronnie and Angela Holmes.

Mayor Livingston called the meeting to order; all council members present. 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. Alexander seconded, carried.

Allen Stover with the Brewer Band Booster Club presented a request from the band booster for \$6,000 to pay for a trailer to haul band equipment to and from football games. Mr. Stover stated they had priced the trailer at Lone Wolf Trailers in Falkville, AL and that they could build the trailer to specifications for around \$6,000. This trailer will save the school money in rental fees for a u-haul trailer for each away game. Mr. Stover also stated cost to each student has increased from \$.50 a mile from last year to \$1.50 per student this year. (See attached letter) Stacy George District 4 Commissioner stated he would help with the cost of the trailer, and had set aside \$25,000 for schools in his district. Mayor Livingston asked Johnny Persall if the State Surplus Store would have any trailers, Mr. Persall stated he would check in Montgomery and see if one could be located. Mayor Livingston stated we would get back with Brewer, and we will work with them to obtain the required trailer.

Brewer Band Booster Club left the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Mayor Livingston turned the meeting over to Mr. George, Mr. George stated he was aware that we have several project that need to be completed in the near future, and that he could help us accomplish this list. He stated that he might be able to pave the walking trail, or help with the clearing of property own by the Town. He stated that he did not want to make any commitment without the approval of Kevin Murphy's; Mr. Murphy was absence due to his Mother having surgery. He stated that he had hot sealed all the walking trails (mostly at schools) in his district, and he would help with out tail. Mayor stated we could get with him and Mr. Murphy later in the week to work out a schedule for some of the projects that we have.

Mayor Livingston asked if everyone had read the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 8, 2008, Mr. Collins motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Persall seconded, motion carried. Mayor asked if everyone had read the minutes of the Call Meeting of July 31, 2008, Mr. Chambers's motion to approve, Mr. Alexander seconded, carried.

**A: FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY- MR. CHAMBERS**

Mr. Chambers asked how we were on election expenses; Clerk stated we are within budget.

Mr. Chambers requested a date for a work session for the 2008-2009 Budget, agreed on August 28, at 4:30 p.m., Town Hall.

**B: UTILITIES & STREETS– MR. ALEXANDER**

Mr. Alexander reported that the work on Morgan Drive completed. Was discussed and agreed that we take down the flags within the next few days.

**C: PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES – MR. PERSALL**

Mr. Persall reported benches look good at the park.

Mayor asked Ms. Maze, Ms. Holmes if they would like to comment on the walking trail; Ms. Maze stated that some of the ladies that walk each day were not in favor of paving the walking trail. That depending on the surface, they could not walk on a hard surface. Ms. Holmes stated she would like to see it stay pea gravel. Mr. Henderson stated baby carriages are hard to push on the trail as is, Ms. Maze stated that mother could use the sidewalks, and parking lot at the Community Center. Mayor stated that we would consider their recommendation and make a decision later.

Ms. Maze and Ms. Holmes left the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

**D. POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS – MR HENDERSON**

Mr. Henderson reported the fire department had 1 wreck and 1 EMT Run this past month.

Mr. Henderson suggested that we not proceed with the grant for the drainage at the Park at this time. Reason is that the application is due at the end of this month, and with the election for the county and city we could not count on in-kind services from the county at this time. He suggests that we apply for this grant next April for 2009 funds.

**F: SANITATION & BUILDINGS –MR. COLLINS**

Mr. Collins reported that the Sewer Plant is working great. Surplus store has a tank with pump that we could use at the sewer plant. Cost is \$100.00, item is new, self contained unit.

Mr. Collins motion to purchase one for the \$100.00, Mr. Alexander seconded, carried.

**HEARINGS ON PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNIC. ETC**

No Report

**AUDITING ACCOUNTS – MOTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS & PAY BILLS**

Mr. Chambers's motion to pay bills, Mr. Persall seconded, carried.

**RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS & OTHER BUSINESS**

SD Childers attended the meeting to report on the Livingston Property House. Mr. Childers stated that the house could be saved that most of the wood seems to be in good condition. He did state that the amount would depend on what we plan on doing with the building – we are looking at around \$50,000 but we might get by with \$20,000 - \$25,000 if we did not do the upstairs at this time.

Mayor Livingston stated we would have to look into this, and would make a decision at a later date.

Mr. Childers left the meeting at 7:20 p.m.

Jerry Miner reported that East Morgan Industrial Development Board has a name change to Rural Morgan County Industrial Board.

Mr. Miner left the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

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

Mayor

Attest:

Town Clerk