

Minutes of Meeting of Eva Town Council held in regular session August 14, 1986, 7 p.m., attended by Mayor Ryan and Councilmen Nichols, Livingston, Hipps and Morgan. Mr. Nichols offered the motion, seconded by Mr. Hipps to dispense with the reading of the minutes until after we have heard from the visitors. Carried.

Mayor called on Gerald Goodwin, Investigator for Morgan County Sheriff's Dept. who told of the Annual Golf Tournament to be held Sept. 22 to raise money for the Sheriff's Boys' Ranch, saying that this was legal for municipalities to donate; that Priceville was giving \$500 and Somerville \$250, and he is going to the other towns in the county. Mayor told him that the Council would discuss the request and let him know.

Council then heard from Dale Gregory, a partner in L&D Lawn Service, who told them that they do all types of lawn work, weedeating, etc., and also cleaning of buildings, etc. He said that they are insured, bonded and licensed and although they live just over in Gullman County, most of their work is in Morgan County. They wanted to say that they are available for any job the Town of Eva may have in this line; that they would particularly like to bid on the job at the new park & recreation area. Mayor said that they would discuss this and keep them in mind.

Minutes of the July 10 meeting were read and approved, and a financial report was given.

Old Business:

- 1-The Multi-purpose building is completed as far as the contractor is concerned. There will be a walk-thru inspection tomorrow at 9 a.m. with NARCOG and County officials and whoever from the Council who wants to participate. We need to try to get Williams Surveying Co. to do a Perc Test so that we can get the septic tank put in. We have been asked to pay our portion of the Woodward Construction Co. bill tomorrow. The difference in what NARCOG had promised and the bid is \$17,691 and the brick and electrical work totals \$1,370, for a grand total of \$19,061 to be paid tomorrow. Motion was made by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Morgan to pay this. The Eva Senior Citizens had agreed to pay \$3,000 on the tile floor, to pay for the garbage disposal of aprx \$200, and buy curtains for all the windows. Since the tile cost a little over \$4,000, the Town of Eva voted to pay the \$1,000+ difference and take the airconditioners in the walls at the Saddle Club Bldg, and work things out with the owner. (M: Hipps; S: Livingston; carried)
- 2-Ed Land said that the grant money from the state (through APLS) has not yet been released. Since APLS Still does not have a Director, he wants to work direct with the State Building Commission (Phil Sharp) as recommended by Fred Underwood but they will need some documentation. He wanted a floor plan of the Library (blueprints) and a site plan showing the building on the lot and where the boundaries are and hopefully where the septic tank is located; and where field lines will be located. Clerk is to check with Mr. Land to find out if the platte that we get with the Perc test will be sufficient.
- 3-Clerk needs to write to Wendell Hawkins to let him know that the Chaffins have opted to buy the property, and have paid earnest money on it.

New Business:

- 1-Clerk reported on Sewer System Survey; we only have about half of the replies in. The Health Dept. has not been out to do their survey for the letter they will write to ADEM. Since there is a freeze on transportation, they may not be out for quite some time. Clerk will work with Gail at NARCOG as soon as we have more of the replies in.
- 2-Discussed Cleaning and Upkeep at the new building after Nutrition Site moves in. Since someone will have to be hired, Council discussed possibility of getting County to pay for an extra hour for Ruth and the Town of Eva paying for an hour, to give her 7 hours. Since she was transferred over from NARCOG to the County, she gets paid for 5 hours a ^{day} ~~week~~, has no benefits and is not under a retirement program. If she could get 7 hours a day, then she could get some benefits and get on the retirement program. Mr. Nichols will talk to the County about trying to work something out.

- 3-Clerk is to get William Neal or Mike Miner to disconnect the electricity at the Library on Wheels, and to see about getting A.G. Livingston to tow it to Decatur to Wheeler Basin Parking Lot. Mr. Land said that he thought they could pay up to \$50 to get it towed to Decatur. As soon as they get permission from the state and from Washington (federal funds), they will take bids on selling it since it appears that it is not needed in any other location.
- 4-Mayor reported that Town of Eva is to host the August meeting of the Morgan County Mayor's Ass'n and it will be at Bobby's Fisherman's Catch on Mon. night, Aug. 18, at 7 p.m. Clerk is to find out how many of the Council members plan to attend so that we can give Bobby a number as soon as we have responses from the other mayors and clerks.
- 5-Mayor reported that the Town of Eva annexation was now official; that we had received the approval from the U.S. Dept. of Justice, and that letters have been written to all the proper people about the 860 acres annexed, and the 180 additional people added to the Town's population. The Ordinance of annexation has been recorded by the Probate Judge.
- 6-Mayor reported that in the month of July our Librarians checked out 859 books; had 485 customers. Clerk was asked to call the newspapers to get them to do a story about it, and about the 46 who attended the special program by "Mr. Ben" today.
- 7-Mr. Morgan reported that as of Sept. 27, the Eva Post Office receives a higher classification from 3rd class to a 2d class post office, making it the same rating as Falkville.

In other actions, the Council voted to:

- 1-Have Joe Wheeler put up another street light on city property at the entrance to the new restaurant, but that we want a better light than one at Library. (M: Nichols; S: Hipps; carried)
- 2-Take bids for the 2d cutting of the hay on Town's property north of Eva. Tell Armon Kinney that his bid was for first cutting only; he will have to re-bid. Clerk is to put signs up in the stores; Terrell and Mitchell were put in charge; give bidders a week to get their bids in.
- 3-Ask Joe Summerford to bring it up to the commission to see what they might be able to do to help out with utilities at the new building; also to ask what needs to be done about the front.
- 4-Support Eva School, according to principal's request, on the following; school year 86-87:
 - a. Shades for all classrooms and auditorium where windows have been replaced (Est: \$5500)
 - b. New student desks for the science classroom (Est: \$1500)
 - c. Ask them to get estimate on drapes for office and elementary library; make a decision then.
 - d. Wait on the \$150 per teacher for classroom supplies (total \$3600) until we know if the state will provide replacement money. If they don't, come back to us with request.
- 5-Increase deputy salary from \$875/month to \$1000/month and ask him to be around town more when bank opens; particularly when restaurant closes. (M: Nichols; S: Hipps; carried)
- 6-Make a donation of \$250 to Sheriff's Boys' Ranch per request of Gerald Goodwin from Sheriff's Department for a donation.
- 7-Take out \$90,000 insurance on the new Multi-purpose Building. Clerk is to notify Mr. Fowler tomorrow following the inspection. He had told the Mayor that he thought that amount would be about \$325 per year. (M: Livingston; S: Nichols; carried)
- 8-Pay bills as presented, which were: (M: Morgan; S: Hipps; carried)
From General Fund. Deputy Salary \$875; Computer teacher (final pay) \$750; 2 water bills @ \$8.84-\$1768; Phone bill \$70.16; Electric Bills (aprx) Town Hall \$85; Senior Center \$65; Library \$30; Office supplies, incl. envelopes for survey \$236.70; Howard Millwood \$12.50; Clerk's salary for July \$236.77; Interest on loan (aprx) \$160; Cleaning Town Hall & Library \$25.55; Alabama League dues for year \$200; Probate Judge for recording ordinance \$13.50.
From Vol. Fire Dept. Fund. Truck insurances for 6 mons. \$1,338.62; 4 sets fire coats, hip boots & helmets \$803; Drum of rust inhibitor for tanks \$511.76; gas for trucks \$9.50; year's subscr. to Fire Chief magazine \$18. From Gasoline Tax Fund. County for pipes for culverts \$2,793.23; Vulcan for rocks \$137.03; street lights aprx \$131.

Mr. Nichols offered the motion, seconded by Mr. Morgan to adjourn the meeting.