

Minutes of Meeting of Eva Town Council held in regular session August 15, 1989, attended by Mayor Ryan and Councilmen Nichols, Morgan and Page. Martin Nelson, member of Eva Ind. Dev. Bd. and Pres. of Brewer Athletic Boosters attended as a visitor. He invited Mayor and Council members to visit Brewer School to see what is going on there and to meet school officials.

Mayor opened the meeting with prayer. Minutes of the July 13 and August 3 meetings were read and approved. A financial statement was given to each council member present. (M:Page; S:Nichols; carried)

### Old Business

- 1- Cable TV. Ward Bodner said they hadn't been able to make up the 3-month delay; 10 more miles were added to Baileyton's service. The cable has been stretched both ways from Eva; design is being drawn up; he anticipates service in Eva some time in Oct. or Nov. at the latest. He would be glad to make a personal report at next council meeting if this is desired.
- 2-Mr. Walter Owens, Surveyor, asked Clerk to apologize to Council for not having set the corners at park site, but he has been off work for several weeks because of an injured foot; he will get this done as soon as possible.
- 3-At the recommendation of Mr. Motley, Huntsville Postal Service, we sent a package on the mail route changes requested to Mr. Tony Cumberworth, the new director of field operations in Birmingham, and requested an appointment to go over the proposals before the September evaluation of all mail routes.
- 4-Water lines/hydrant project. Mr. Calvert hasn't called about what the county can or will do on this. Mr. Nichols offered motion, seconded by Mr. Morgan for Town of Eva to go ahead and have this work done and pay for it if the county won't do it. Motion carried.
- 5-Shrubbery at Post Office exit. Mayor sprayed the weeds and bushes; Mr. Nelson said he would take a chain saw and cut off the limbs sticking out that blocks the view.
- 6-Flag poles. The volunteer firemen will move the one to new location; we have to decide where we're going to put the one at the Multipurpose Center.
- 7-Odor problem at Dental Clinic has been taken care of. Dentist apologized for putting the Council to all this trouble after he learned that the people who installed his new dental chair left the pipes in that condition. L&N Electric hasn't been able to inspect duct work under clinic to find out if the air-conditioning can be improved. Keith will get to this as soon as possible.
- 8-Ezra Drinkard said he'd try to fix the water problem at Multipurpose Center right away. He'll talk to the Mayor about how to go about this to see if OK.
- 9-Eva paper was mailed out to those as stated in July 13 meeting. Papers have not been distributed to the Chambers of Commerce in Decatur, Hartselle, Cullman and Huntsville. Clerk will try to do this soon.
- 10-Mr. Frank Taylor said he'd be out as soon as they complete the job they're on now to do the concrete work on culverts, etc.; for sure by end of next week.
- 11-Mr. Nichols offered motion, seconded by Mr. Morgan to adopt resolution to declare old town hall building and property surplus; also the items left in the building, such as the switch box and meter base and cord out of the old Bookmobile; old gas heaters; the heavy table in back of the old fire hall; the old truck batteries and discarded hoses. Motion carried.
- 12-A letter was sent to Mr. Horton about moving his sign; he wants us to ask the church to move their sign since it is located at the same place on right-of-way. Council voted to send them a letter, too. (M:Page; S:Nichols; carried)

### New Business

- 1-Jr. Holmes told council members that he would like to have an opportunity to bid on the topsoil when work on the park gets underway.
  - 2-Fire Chief requested that the Council see if the County will put in a 3" valve with flange at the water main, south end of the fire hall, so they can fill up the trucks outside. Mr. Nichols offered motion, seconded by Mr. Page to get this done, and if County wouldn't do it, get someone else to do it and the Town pay for it. Motion carried.
  - 3-The Town's financial records haven't been audited for last fiscal year. Gloria Winton said she'd do it again for \$400, and do a Special Purpose Report verifying the bookkeeping system which would probably suffice. However, since she is not certified in State of Alabama, she cannot do a certified audit. She recommended that if the Council wanted a certified audit, we check with Dean Frost or some CPA. Mr. Nichols offered motion, seconded by Mr. Page, for the Clerk to work it out; that if the CPA isn't too expensive, maybe we could get a certified audit; if it seems out of line to go ahead and get Gloria to do the records as stated. Motion carried.
  - 4-Marigurette Alexander had asked Clerk to present this request from the Art Guild to have their annual craft show on Sept. 30 this year, and have Frontier Day in conjunction with it, where everyone dresses in old west or western type costumes; to have a parade; have a singing. In support of this, they are asking the Council to fund some flyers printed to be incorporated in the Bank Statement mailout first of September. Motion made by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Morgan to allow them to proceed with their plans for Sept. 30 as presented, and to pay for having flyers printed. Motion carried.
  - 5-Eva Art Guild agrees to take care of the Christmas Parade on the day of the tree-lighting ceremony. They're arranging for a community choir to involve people from area churches. Art Guild asked if the Council would consider buying some decorations to go on the light poles in town. Council believes we cannot afford to buy pole decorations at this time; but perhaps we could get some supplies if they want to candy-cane the poles and put bows around.
  - 6-Council looked at the letters from principals of Brewer and Eva Schools. M:Nichols; S:Morgan (c) to send Brewer \$2,000 right now to help with band uniforms, listed as first priority on the list. Then Mr. Nichols made the motion, seconded by Mr. Morgan to table further discussion on the school budgets until the next meeting when more of the council members would be present. Motion carried.
  - 7-Mayor read letter from Sheriff to VFD thanking them for helping with the search for the young man in the Gum Pond area who was missing.
- In OTHER ACTIONS, the Council voted to:
- 1-Leave electricity on at the old town hall building; ask \$500/month for official lease of the building; however, prefer to sell it. Also, to give water bill now to dentist since we've vacated the building to which his water is connected. Mayor said we might consider letting someone use the building on occasion until we do dispose of it in some manner.
  - 2-Get Ezra Drinkard to put skirts on the doors leading into the airconditioned areas from fire hall; to authorize Clerk to have the building cleaned as needed. M:Nichols; S:Page; carried.
  - 3-Let Larry's Signs proceed with making the sign for Vol Fire Dept & Rapid Responders and Eva Town Hall as proposed in his layout @ a cost of \$1885, to have it completed by 9-9-89. (M:Nichols; S:Page; carried)
  - 4-Have Open House of the new town hall/fire hall and Medical Clinic on a Sat. or Sun. afternoon as soon as the ladies who will prepare refreshments want to set the date, and to get Ezra to make a portable room divider.

- 5-Get the County to bring a dozer out to clean off the bank down Carnell's pasture fence; to slope it so that it can be mowed, and for Town of Eva to pay for having a new fence put up along the right-of-way. (M:Page; S:Morgan; carried)
  - 6-Authorize Fire Chief and Council members to purchase items needed at the new ADECA salvage place in Blountsville, and for Chief to look for some folding tables for Eva Site since they need two more; either at the salvage place or at Sam's Wholesale in Huntsville. (M:Nichols S:Morgan; carried)
  - 7-Authorize Clerk to buy a roll of stamps; to be off on Fri., Aug. 18 for a weekend trip to Montgomery. (M:Nichols; S:Page; carried)
  - 8-Send Wheeler Basin Regional Library \$1,000 for new books to be purchased for Eva Library in FY89-90; to send Mental Health \$150 for FY 89-90. (M:Page; S:Nichols; carried)
  - 9-Pay the bills as presented on attached sheet, totaling \$10,169.30 after adding the \$2,000 for Brewer band uniforms. (M:Page; S:Nichols; carried)
- There being no further business, motion offered by Mr. Morgan; seconded by Mr. Page to adjourn.

Bonnie G. Holmes, Eva Town Clerk

Approved: 9-14-89