

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on December 13, 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: Tommy Shickles

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.

Mayor Livingston asked if everyone had read the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on November 8, 2005, Mr. Henderson motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Collins seconded, motion carried, minutes of call meeting of November 21, 2005, 5:00 P.M., Mr. Collins motion to accept, Mr. Alexander seconded, carried, minutes of Safety Meeting November 29, 2005, Bobby's Fisherman Catch, Mr. Persall motion to accept, Mr. Chambers seconded, carried.

A. FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY- MR. CHAMBERS

Mr. Chambers recommended a one time pay increase for all employees. After discussion Mayor Livingston recommended \$100 for full-time employees and \$60.00 for part-time. Mr. Chambers motion to give full time employees a one time pay increase of \$100.00 each and all part time employees \$60.00, Mr. Persall seconded, carried. Clerk to take money out of General Fund.

Mr. Chambers presented the Town of Eva Payment Agreement with Cullman County Water Department for Collection of Sewage Fees. (See Attached) Mr. Chambers's motion to approve, Mr. Alexander seconded, carried. Cullman County Water will collect sewage fees once the plant is up and running; fees will be based on water usage.

B: UTILITIES & STREETS- MR. ALEXANDER

Mr. Alexander reported that Christmas Lights are up and look good, couple are not up and some are not working, Clerk will call Joe Wheeler.

Mr. Alexander reported that the trees have been planted at the cemetery, and they look good, also stated that Mr. Carnell is pleased with the trees on his property.

C. PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES - MR. PERSALL

Mr. Persall reported that Mr. Collins had priced heaters at Hopper's Building Supply, one with a blower is \$152.90 the other without blower is \$92.60 for the storage shed. After discussion all agreed to purchase the heater for \$92.50, no need to approve by motion.

D. POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS - MR HENDERSON

Mr. Henderson reported all is quite in town, but he would like to suggest that we add a few trails to the walking trail at the park, when we get the design for the drainage system. All were in agreement that this could be done. But tabled for the time being.

E. SANITATION & BUILDINGS- MR. COLLINS

Mr. Collins reported that the low bidder for Contract No. 1 for the wastewater treatment plant made an error on his bid, and that we have been informed by our attorney that under State Bid Law we cannot accept the corrected bid price submitted by Hokes Bluff Construction Company, and Rural Development is not going to permit us to accept the bid without the alternate deductive put in the bid package. After a lengthy discussion concerning the bid price and the next steps we need to do, Mr. Collins motion to accept the low bid from Hokes Bluff Construction Company for Contract No. 1 for \$290,392.50 , and Contract No. 2 for \$710,000 minus all deductive alternates as bid for both contracts. Clerk to notify Ladd Environmental Consultants, Inc to precede with the award of the contracts to Hokes Bluff Construction Company, Inc. of Gadsden, Alabama, Mr. Alexander seconded, carried.

Mayor presented the "Plan of Operations for Town of Eva Waste Water Treatment Project" (copy attached). Mr. Collins motion to accept "Plan of Operations" as presented Mr. Henderson seconded, carried.

HEARINGS ON PETITIONS, APPOLCS. 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

New Business: Mr. Henderson recommended that we do away with the Christmas Parade; there were only four floats, with two of them from the same family, and a few fire trucks. Mayor suggested that we bring this up next year when we approve the permit.

Mr. Shickles informed the Mayor that he would need to file his application to take the test for Certification in February; the test will be given in March in Mobile.

Mr. Collin's motion to adjourn, Mr. Chambers second, carried.

APPROVED:



Mayor

ATTEST:



Town Clerk