

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on April 12, 2016, 6:30 p.m. at the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston, Council members James Henderson, Johnny Persall, Martin Nelson, Edsel Childers and Clerk Judy Fortenberry. Kent Chamber's absence due to work commitment.

Guests: Joe Hill, Betty Golden, Bert Collins, Mr. & Mrs. Nolan West, Bob Francie's, John Holmes, Athea Gibbs

Mayor Livingston called the meeting to order; all council members present except Mr. Chambers. 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 asked Mr. Henderson to open with prayer.

Mr. Nelson motion to dispense with reading of the minutes until after hearing from guest, Mr. Persall seconded, carried

Mayor turned the meeting over to Athea Gibbs with the Friends of the Eva Library, Ms. Gibbs stated that the friends would like to put new carpet in the library, and that they would pay for it. She recommended carpet squares for the entire building downstairs. Timing for the installation would be up to Ms. Golden, which she suggested after the Summer Reading Program.

Mayor suggested that the Town would paint the building while everything is moved; Clerk had a quote from Kenneth Golden for \$1300.00 to paint with needing about 8-10 gallons of paint. Clerk will work with Ms. Golden on color of paint; Mayor suggested that we get a pod to store the furniture and books while work is being done. Clerk will get a price for the pod.

Mayor thanked the friends for paying for the carpet.

Ms. Gibbs left the meeting at 7:45 P.M.

Mayor turned the meeting over to Jo Anne Lindley with the Eva High School Alumni Association, Ms. Lindley stated she was present to request funding help from the Town Council to help the Alumni to complete the courtyard at the Eva School, She stated they needed around \$2800.00 but would take anything that the Town could give for the School. After discussion Mr. Henderson motion to give the \$2800.00 to complete this phase of the work, Mr. Nelson Seconded, carried. Ms. Lindley thanked the council, said she could do a "Happy Dance" for all our help.

Mayor asks Mr. Francie's if he would like to speak, Mr. Frances said he was here to thank the Town of Eva for its support of the SNAP Program and invite us to the grand opening on Friday, May 6, 2016 at 10:00 a.m., he stated that in Morgan County we have 2500 Special Needs children, and this playground will give them a place to come and enjoy.

Mayor asked if everyone had read the minutes of the March 8, 2016 regular Council Meeting. Mr. Persall motioned to approve the minutes, Mr. Childers seconded, carried.

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

Mayor stated we had taken care of the flooring and painting of the Library, he asks Ms. Golden if she had anything else to report. She reported that the grant application to the State had been

submitted, and she is about ready for the Summer Reading Program... Also reported the Easter Egg Hunt was a success.

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

Mr. Childers reported the sign on Lindler Street is up and you can read it. Discussed the tree stumps on Patton Road, decided to cut off with a chain saw, since the gas company will not let them be taken out because of the gas line.

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

Mr. Persall reported he had gotten a couple of quotes for the pavilions at the ballfields they run from \$7500 - \$17,000. He stated he would continue to get more quotes and work with the Alabama Mountains, Rivers and Valleys RC&D Council for funding. He also stated he had a meeting with Robby Cantrell and Jay Grantland with the RC&D Council concerning the outdoor Classroom at the park. He suggested that we get with Mike Caudle and get him to run the crew for this project.

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

Mr. Henderson reported the Storm Shelters at the Park had been delivered. Wanted to know when the council could meet and fill out the paper work required by the County for the Storm Shelters. Will meet at 8:30 on April 20, at Town Hall.

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

No report.

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

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

Mr. Childers motion to pay the bills, Mr. Persall seconded, motion carried.

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

**New Business:**

Mayor Livingston introduced Ordinance #16-02, Sale of Unneeded Property

Council Member Nelson moved that all rules governing the council which might, unless suspended, prevent the passage and adoption of Ordinance #16-02 at this meeting is and the same are hereby suspended for the purpose of permitting the resolution to be finally passed and adopted at this meeting.

Council member Persall seconded this motion.

The question was put before the council and on roll call the vote was as follows.

Council Member Henderson Yea

Council Member Childers Yea

Council Member Persall      Yea                      Council Member Nelson      Yea  
Mayor Livingston              Yea

Mayor Livingston presiding officer declared the motion adopted by unanimous vote of the members present.

Council member Nelson moved that the said Ordinance #16-02 be finally passed and adopted as introduced.

Council member Henderson seconded this motion.

Mayor Livingston presiding officer put the question of final passage and the adoption of said Resolution to vote of the council, and on call of the roll the results were as follows:

Council member Henderson      Yea                      Council member Childers      Yea  
Council member Persall          Yea                      Council member Nelson        Yea  
Mayor Livingston                  Yea

Presiding officer Mayor Livingston announced the result of the vote, and declared Ordinance #16-02 passed.

Mayor Livingston introduced Ordinance #16-03, Sale of Unneeded Property

Council Member Nelson moved that all rules governing the council which might, unless suspended, prevent the passage and adoption of Ordinance #16-03 at this meeting is and the same are hereby suspended for the purpose of permitting the resolution to be finally passed and adopted at this meeting.

Council member Persall seconded this motion.

The question was put before the council and on roll call the vote was as follows.

Council Member Henderson      Yea                      Council Member Childers      Yea  
Council Member Persall          Yea                      Council Member Nelson        Yea  
Mayor Livingston                  Yea

Mayor Livingston presiding officer declared the motion adopted by unanimous vote of the members present.

Council member Nelson moved that the said Ordinance #16-03 be finally passed and adopted as introduced.

Council member Henderson seconded this motion.

Mayor Livingston presiding officer put the question of final passage and the adoption of said Resolution to vote of the council, and on call of the roll the results were as follows:

Council member Henderson      Yea                      Council member Childers      Yea  
Council member Persall          Yea                      Council member Nelson        Yea  
Mayor Livingston                  Yea

Presiding officer Mayor Livingston announced the result of the vote, and declared Ordinance #16-03 passed.

Mayor informed all present that he is looking for financing for the new fire truck, the Fire Department needs \$250,000 for 10 years with an early payoff.

Old Business: Cullman Locksmith gave a quote of \$1574.00 for the front door only for the Town Hall, was decided this was too much.

Mr. Nelson motion to adjourn, Mr. Persall seconded, carried.

APPROVED:

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Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town Clerk