

Meeting of Eva Town Council held in regular session December 14, 1989, 7 PM, attended by Mayor and all five members of the Council. Visitors were Terry Childers, representing Eva Activities Ass'n, Joe Hill, and Martin Nelson.

Meeting was opened with prayer by Alton Page. Motion made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Morgan (carried) to dispense with the reading of the minutes until after hearing from our visitors.

Joe Hill wanted to know about what was required on consummating the purchase of the acreage that joins him (Reference minutes of Nov. 9, 1989). He is in agreement with what we discussed at the last meeting and what is in the ordinance. He will give the Town Clerk his check for earnest money and will get the property surveyed. Council agreed to give him 90 days after the date the deed is made out to get his money together to close out the purchase.

Minutes of the November 9 regular meeting and the call meetings of November 28 and December 8 were read and approved. A financial report was given to each member of the council along with a listing of bills to be paid.

Old Business:

- 1-Cable TV. Mark Berry said that work is progressing steadily; they are now "building" from Baileyton toward Eva on Hwy 55; still working toward the timetable reported in November for service around end of January.
- 2-Invitations to bid on the recreational park project were mailed out and picked up by a total of 7 contractors; bid opening is set for Mon. Dec. 18, 4:30 PM. Mayor asked all the councilmen to try to be present for this.
- 3-Discussed the need to get industries to commit to locate in industrial park before we can begin grant application. Mayor said Larry Joe Smith is talking to a company in Ohio. We need to work on that and others.
- 4-Signs. Bob Woodruff said signs should be in and ready to put up any day. He sent us a copy of the County's bill, and Eva's cost is \$626 because he had to order special posts, and he would like for us to go ahead and pay this so that the County can pay the bill. (M:Nichols; S:Page; carried)
- 5-Mail Route changes. Reply from Sen. Heflin was very discouraging. Mayor said he will probably write to Sen. Heflin again.
- 6-Parking lots. Pro-Stripe (Mr. Symonds) has completed the parking lots at the Medical Clinic and the Library, and has been paid.
- 7-Ordinance on heavy duty trucks parking in Eva was discussed again. Need to get this finalized.
- 8-Ordinance 89-1 on declaring certain property as surplus and authorizing Mayor to sell it (aprx an acre north of Eva) was re-read. Motion offered by Mr. Livingston, seconded by Mr. Collins to adopt said Ordinance. Motion passed by unanimous vote of council.
- 9-The audit of Town's records is not yet completed; should be in a few days. Mr. Whisenant rescinded his suggestion to a two-year audit; said that with everything Eva is involved in at the present time, they should have an annual audit. Motion passed for annual audit. (M:Morgan; S:Nichols; carried)
- 10-Mayor reported on applicants for the Town Clerk position; said interviews had been completed, but stated that there was one applicant that wasn't available at the time he was doing the other interviews, and when she called later he wasn't available. Motion made by Mr. Nichols; seconded by Mr. Livingston

to consider the applicants that he had interviewed and not drag it out any longer. Motion carried. MAYOR recommended to the Council, after going over everything with them, that Debra Pruitt be hired for the job. He said that he would sit down with her again and go over everything to make sure she is in agreement with everything and certain that she wants the job. Motion made by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Collins to hire Debra Pruitt for the Town Clerk, and for her to come to work as soon as possible. Motion carried.

- 11-Mayor reported to the Council that the two post hydrants needed for Vann Moses' road to bring the three houses within 1000 feet of a hydrant would cost more than originally planned when the Council voted to do this project. He stated that Mr. Walker's new estimate for the hydrants, accessories, and installation would run aprx. \$850 each. Motion made by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Morgan to go ahead with the project at this new estimated cost. Motion carried. Mayor will need to call Mr. Walker to order the hydrants.
- 12-Mayor has not yet talked with Principal Don Murphy at Brewer, but plans to do so. Mr. Nelson recommended that the whole council visit Brewer School to see what is going on, and maybe have lunch down there.
- 13-Census information was turned in today by Rhonda Mosteller who was in charge of the door-to-door survey. She said there were one or two residences where she could never find anyone at home, and no one in the neighborhood could give her the information needed on them. Her report showed 432 people in Eva, with 178 residences. Clerk will try to get remaining information together to get her report in to the Census Bureau by Jan. 5.

New Business

- 1-Mr. Morgan has the flag pole previously used at the Post Office and will give it to the Senior Center if someone could put it up. Mr. Nichols offered motion seconded by Mr. Page to get someone to put the flag pole up at the Center. (C).
- 2-The front porch and steps at the Medical Clinic freeze over in cold weather, an Staff had asked if it might be possible to put up an awning or porch to protect them from weather. Clerk was asked to get Ezra Drinkard to look it over and see what might be done.
- 3-It was reported that on 12-5-89 at 3 p.m., a Wayne's Feed Truck knocked down the stop sign when he made a right turn off 55W on to 35S at the 4-way stop. He didn't stop. While the sign was down a car with a Jefferson County tag ran through without stopping. Jr Holmes, George Hudgins & David Childers put the sign back up. Mayor wants a letter written to Wayne Feeds to bring this to their attention. Suggested calling Mike Childers in Cullman for address. Council discussed this problem of sign getting knocked down and talked about putting a fortress around the sign. Mayor said we need to talk to County Engineer Bob Woodruff when he comes out to see if we should concrete around it.
- 4-Clerk needs authorization to buy additional postage for mailing out privilege license notices. (M:Collins; S:Livingston; carried for her to do so.
- 5-Eva Homemakers Club requests permission of Council to meet at the Multi-Purpose Center on the 3rd Tuesdays at 1 p.m., for meetings only, at no charge. Motion made by Page; seconded by Livingston; unanimous vote to allow them to do this. Clerk will notify Club president at the M-P-C custodian of this decision.
- 6-It was mentioned to get the Joe Wheeler engineer to check the poles that hold up the stop sign to see if they need replacing.
- 7-Mayor stated that County had planned to take those culverts on Hwy 55W but the weather has not permitted them to do so. Council voted to have County bring out rocks to put on the town's roads that need it, and to check the lines on Gravel Ridge Rd. that Terry Childers mentioned had been uncovered.

In OTHER ACTIONS, Council voted to:

- 1-Have a private line installed at Senior Center for

their use, with Town of Eva paying installation fee, and asking County to reimburse Site for the monthly phone bill which is estimated to run \$50/mo. (Motion Nichols; S:Livingston; Carried (unanimous)).
2-Pay the bills as presented on attached sheet, and to transfer funds as required. (M:Livingston; S:Collins; carried)

Motion offered by Mr. Collins; seconded by Mr. Page to adjourn.

Eva Town Clerk

Approved: 1-11-90