

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on December 9, 1997, at 6:30 P.M. in the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Livingston, C. C. Mosteller, James Fowler, Clarence Alexander, Larry Smith, and Bert Collins. Guest: Steve Henderson.

After roll call, Mr. Mosteller opened with prayer. Since Mr. Henderson did not have anything to bring to council, minutes were read. Mr. Fowler made motion to approve minutes of regular meeting November 10, called meetings of November 18, November 24, and December 2, 1997, Mr. Collins second, carried.

FINANCE & EDUCATION - MR. MOSTELLER

Mr. Mosteller advised Mr. Collins and Mr. Smith of the 3% rental tax approved by majority vote in called meeting on December 2. Also, he advised that Charles Frost wanted to rent the property that office trailer sits on. After discussion, Mayor advised to hold discussion until further into the agenda.

Mr. Mosteller advised that is certificate of deposit is up for renewal or redemption at First Commercial Bank for the fire department in the amount of \$6000.00. Mayor advised that amount was needed for fire equipment payment on December 11. Fire chief Holmes advised with the revenue to be received at Morgan County meeting, the amount in C. D. needs be renewed since they have enough to cover expenses now. Mr. Mosteller then made motion for Mayor to renew the certificate at the best possible rate for the same amount of time. Mr. Fowler second, carried.

Mayor advised that he took the amended privilege license ordinance to Larry Madison, attorney today. Also, there probably will be a called meeting within the next two weeks.

UTILITIES - MR. ALEXANDER

Mr. Alexander advised that the water bill for the Library has returned to normal so the water department must have read the meter. He also advised that another meter would have to be installed for use in the office trailer if Charles Frost uses the trailer at that location since the Town Hall and trailer was on the same meter. Mayor stated that since there is no amount of water usage at the Town Hall, Mr. Frost will have to pay the water bill

STREETS, PARKS, AND CEMETERIES - MR. FOWLER

Mr. Fowler asked Mayor if the funds have been set aside for road work as discussed in previous meetings? Mayor advised that it was discussed to set aside if there was excess funds at end of fiscal year. Clerk advised there was \$10,000 above proposed revenue and \$10,000 less than expenses. After discussion, it was decided that \$20,000 be set aside in general fund account for road work only. (Proposed budget amount is \$15,000).

Mr. Fowler then advised that flat on tractor needs repaired rather than sit all winter. Mayor ask if he knows someone who could go repair it. Mr. Fowler recommended ~~Joe Mead~~ of Goldridge to pick up the tractor and return it to the park. Mayor agreed to get Mr. Mead to repair the tire. *Sanford Smith correction to minutes 1/13/98*

Mayor advised that Eva Activities wants the concrete pad started for ball courts at the park since they have grant money of \$3200 and do not want to loose the funds. Mayor has called Shelby Contracting to submit a price.

Mr. Fowler then asked if Rickey Frost paid for the dirt he wanted from the park? Clerk advised that he has not paid if he picked up any dirt.

POLICE & FIRE - MR. SMITH

Mr. Smith advised there is still no police contract from Morgan County Commission. Since the certificate has been approved for renewal and no problems that he new about, he had nothing to report. Mayor advised that the clutch went bad on truck #127. Since General Motors is no longer making a clutch for this 1984 model, they had to purchase a Borg-Werner brand - hopefully it will work.

RECREATION & SANITATION - MR. COLLINS

Mr. Collins reported that William Chaffin advised that in January he will have everything cleaned up from the tire shop fire.

Mr. Collins advised that he attended a meeting for Mayor concerning a sewer system for the town. He met with Brenda Horn and Dale Bright of Cullman Industrial Development Board. Mr. Bright, engineer, needs a list of businesses in Eva and some of their water bill amounts for the area where a sewer is needed. They also need a map of the area, previous study information, and amount of acreage remaining in the industrial park within the next two weeks then it would take him approximately three weeks to compile the information for a study. Mr. Collins advised that he would be glad to get information together from the businesses or items necessary for Mr. Bright to begin his work. Mayor advised to wait until January 1 since the Clerk is working on business license mailing at the present time.

Mr. Collins advised that Ballew Sanitation, who is garbage collector in Eva, wishes to raise his garbage rate to \$8.50, same as Morgan County rates. Mr. Smith advised that there is approximately 15 people in town limits who are exempted from collection fees. Also, there is several who do not have garbage pickup. Mayor advised that Mr. Ballew has to report to Morgan County Health Department not to town since there is no contract. After discussion on rates, Mr. Mosteller made motion to allow Mr. Ballew to raise the rate by \$1.00 or \$8.50 per month but not to exceed that amount, Mr. Fowler second, carried.

NO REPORT FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES & OFFICERS

NO HEARINGS, ETC.

AUDITING ACCOUNTS

Mr. Fowler made motion to transfer funds necessary and pay bills, Mr. Mosteller second, carried.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS, & OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor then advised that Charles Frost wants to rent town property and leave the office trailer in present location. Mr. Mosteller advised there is land available in Industrial Park which is for sale. Mr. Collins advised that commercial businesses could not be in the Industrial Park. Mayor advised Mr. Collins that in the incorporation papers of the Industrial Board, commercial businesses is approved for location in the park. Mayor will discuss with Mr. Frost.

Mayor reminded council of the Industrial Board Meeting on Thursday, December 11, at 6:30 P.M. at Bobby's restaurant.

Mr. Fowler made to adjourn, Mr. Mosteller second, carried.

Approved

-1/13/98

Attest:

Eva Town Clerk