

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on December 8, 1998, at 6:30 PM in the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Livingston, C. C. Mosteller, James Fowler, Clarence Alexander, Larry Smith, and Bert Collins. Guest present: Steve Henderson and Jim Henderson, residents.

After roll call, Mr. Fowler opened with prayer. After reading minutes, Mr. Fowler made motion to approve minutes of November 10, Mr. Collins second, carried.

FINANCE & EDUCATION - MR. MOSTELLER

Mr. Mosteller asked Mayor if CWF Construction plans to move the mobile office he purchased from the town as agreed by December 31, also, if he suggested that if CWF is not moving the office he should pay property rent with an agreed deadline of thirty days. Since the medical office needs to be started, the parking lot is needed for trucks to park. Mr. Alexander advised council that Mr. Frost has stated to the clerk they can not move the office from January 1 until April 15 due to tax season for Frost Accounting - it would cause major problems for her business. Mr. Mosteller suggested a rate of \$1500 per month for property rent or \$50.00 per day. Then Mr. Fowler added that \$25.00 per day would be a fair price. Mayor suggested that CWF Construction have a 30 day extension to move from the property and rent would be \$1000 per month with a deadline of March 1. After discussion, Mayor will advise CWF construction of the 30 day extension, if they refuse to move the office, Mayor will advise them of property rent. If Mr. Frost states they can not move the office, then a called council meeting will be set, an amount and deadline determined with Mr. Frost present at the meeting.

Mr. Smith advised that Curtis Kirsch, Architect for proposed medical building has discussed the dental office with the equipment supplier in Birmingham. The supplier has stated they do not have an agreement with Dr. Turner, dentist, and they will not supply plans for the drawing. The architect does not want to make final drawings without the design and maybe have to redraw them with additional costs. Mr. Collins added that Dr. Turner is anxious to get into the new clinic but has not mentioned any plans need approval. Mayor Livingston advised council that he will discuss his matter with Dr. Turner then asked Mr. Smith what time frame is involved for bid date? Mr. Smith stated that the architect believes that he can serve as general contractor and save the town some money. Mr. Kirsch feels that the town will be able to determine who contractors will be, such as the local contractors, and also perform some of the work to save money. Mayor then added that he will contact Larry Madison, attorney, for an opinion of Mr. Kirsch serving as the general contractor for the project.

Mr. Smith advised council that he will pick up the three doors ordered for the nutrition site.

UTILITIES - MR. ALEXANDER

Mr. Alexander questioned Mr. Collins if William Neal of L & N Electric made arrangements for electrical repairs at the park. Mr. Collins advised that town must file an application with Joe Wheeler Electric for engineer to determine where and how to run lines and set a meter which will probably have an application fee. After discussion, Mr. Collins made motion to pay this application to run the needed lines at the park, Mr. Smith second, carried.

Mr. Alexander then advised that he thinks Joe Wheeler EMC cut the tree under the security light on Lindler Street but the tree is lying there which was unusual for tree debris to be left by them. Clerk called their engineering office to inquire but did not get an answer concerning them cutting the tree. Mr. Henderson then stated that John Smith, property owner, asked Joe Wheeler to cut it down but he would take the tree off the right-a-way.

Mr. Henderson then questioned council about a for security light on right-of-way of Courtney Drive since there is not one there and four houses are on this street? Mr. Alexander said Joe Wheeler has to install if requested by council. Mayor advised that town pays a flat fee each month for the ones located on the right-a-ways which is a lifetime fee and he will contact Joe Wheeler concerning a security light for that street. Then, Mr. Henderson asked who to contact concerning water pressure and Mr. Alexander advised him to call Cullman County Water Department.

PARKS, STREETS, & CEMETERIES - MR. FOWLER

Mr. Fowler advised that grass is sown around tennis court and the pad has been poured again but will not know if water is standing in center until rain stops then will he check it. Mayor will call to get the fence installed.

Mr. Fowler again stated that Highway 55 needs repairs - maybe could get a cement blower as done on Eva Road in Cullman County to prevent potholes forming. Mayor will discuss with Don Stisher, Commissioner. Then Mr. Fowler asked why gravel is being placed on some residents driveways but no one was aware of it. Mayor will also check with Mr. Stisher.

Mr. Fowler presented a Safety Standards Policy, after reading and discussion, Mr. Mosteller made motion to adopt, Mr. Collins second, carried.

Then Mr. Fowler presented an Alcohol & Drug Awareness Policy and an Infectious Disease Awareness/Prevention Policy to council for adoption. After reading and discussion, Mr. Alexander made motion to adopt these policies, Mr. Collins second, carried.

FIRE & POLICE - MR. SMITH

Mr. Smith advised that police protection contract is complete for another year and he was not aware of any problems in the fire department. He added that the fire department equipment loan will be paid from their checking account so the certificate of deposit will accumulate interest until maturity date in January.

SANITATION & RECREATION - MR. COLLINS

Mr. Collins asked the Mayor what would be the value of fences at park since council voted to insure them for replacement last meeting? Mayor stated approximately \$50,000 would be very close. Clerk will call the insurance company to add park fences to coverage.

Mr. Collins then added that the new Eva Activities president is Bo Hormel and he plans to bring Mr. Hormel to the council meeting.

NO REPORT FROM COMMITTEES & OFFICERS

HEARING, COMPLAINTS, APPCS., COMM. ETC.

Mayor then asked what kind of project did the Eva Beta Club wish to pursue. Then clerk explained that the sponsor, Mrs. Kinney stated that any kind of cleanup would be a good project for them. Mr. Alexander suggested they could keep the flowerbed next to Wagon Wheel and Mayor agreed.

AUDITING ACCOUNTS

After reviewing bills, Mr. Mosteller made motion to transfer the necessary funds and pay bills, Mr. Collins second, carried.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor stated that three appointments are needed on the Eva Industrial Development Board. He recommended that Ronnie Ryan and Robert Smith be re-appointed for another term. Also, he recommended Donald Allison to replace Tommy Fowler. Mr. Collins made motion to accept these appointments, Mr. Alexander second, carried. Mayor advised Eva Industrial Development Board meets Thursday, Dec. 10, 6:30 P.M. at Bobby's Restaurant.

Mayor then advised that he recommends Rick Hill, RN for the Medical Board for an extra member. Mr. Fowler made motion to accept this appointment, Mr. Smith second, carried.

Mr. Smith then advised council that Johnson Emu, Inc. plans to lease the spec building in Eva Industrial Park for the trucking operation for three years with an option to buy.

After discussing the annual League convention April 10 - 13, 1999, it was agreed to send in registration fees for Mayor Livingston, James Fowler, Donna Ray, and one additional for any councilman to attend or cancel the extra prior to that time.

Mr. Collins made motion to adjourn, Mr. Alexander, second, carried.

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Attest:

Eva Town Clerk