

Minutes of regular meeting of Eva Town Council held on 14 February 2023 at 6:30 PM at Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston, Council Members: Kent Chambers, Edsel Childers, Martin Nelson, Johnny Persall, Ripley Fowler, Clerk Kathy Nelson, and Assistant Clerk Kimberly Cryer.

Guests: Eva Junior High Girls Basketball team, Joanna McCully, Jada Sullinger, Joyce Woodall, Julie Mooney, Joe Hill, Roger Burrow, Jared Miner, Tasha and Michael Caudle, Charles Stephens, Christina and T. Michael McLemore, Mitchell Drinkard, and Terry Childers.

Mayor Livingston called meeting to order; After roll call Mayor Livingston informed all present that we open our meetings with prayer, if anyone objects, we will abstain from this practice at tonight's meeting. No one objected, Mayor Livingston asked Mr. Nelson to lead in prayer.

Mayor asked for motion to dispense with reading of minutes to recognize visitors. Mr. Fowler so motioned; Mr. Persall seconded-All ayes; motion carried. Mayor recognized:

- Eva's Junior High School Girls Basketball team
 - Mr. Chambers presented proclamations to Eva Junior Girls for being Morgan County Champions
- Jada Sullenger, President from Rock Creek Homemakers and Community Leaders
 - Asked for permission for a popup Farmers Market June 3 with June 9 and 12 as rain dates. Popup Farmers market will include booths that highlight local farmers and agricultural products. Mayor Livingston called for a motion to allow to use of Town land for popup market. Mr. Chambers so motioned; Mr. Childers seconded- All ayes; motion carried.
- Terry Childers
 - Addressed council concerning more street lighting needed for Christmas parade and Tree lighting activities. Mayor requested to discuss later.

Mayor asked for a review of minutes from 10 January 2023. No council member asked for corrections and Mayor Livingston requested a motion to approve minutes of 10 January 2023. Regular Council Meeting without changes, Mr. Persall so motioned; Mr. Nelson seconded-All ayes; motion carried.

A. FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY- MR. CHAMBERS

- Stated that Town has not yet received final audit.
- Recognized Joyce Woodall, who shared:
 - Working on Genealogy room upstairs
 - Working on grant from APLS

B. UTILITIES & STREETS – MR. CHILDERS

- Deferred to Mayor Livingston for updates.

C. PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES – MR. PERSALL

- Shared update on park paving project. Original bid from Wiregrass may not happen since they lost County contracts. May be able to piggyback on County contract to complete park paving.
- Stated L&N Electrical is working on lighting.
- Asked John, Joe, and Mikey to clean and maintain playground equipment.
- Mentioned Julie Knop may pay for rubber matting for playground.
- Mayor will follow up with Jason Page on not allowing Activities Association to handle their account.

D. POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS – MR. FOWLER

- Stated Chief Holmes has purchased new battery powered jaws of life that was less than is required to bid out.
- Shared Sheriff officer vehicle is repaired.

E. SANITATION & BUILDINGS – MR. NELSON

- Requested to reject sewer bids since January 16 was 60-day deadline. Mayor requested a motion to reject the bid. Mr. Nelson so motioned; Mr. Persall seconded-All ayes; motion carried. Mayor stated Chuck Chitwood will give back bond.
- Asked if we could do job ourselves. Mayor says project would be too large.
- Stated Robbie Cantrell NARCOG is working on grant for Industrial Park Sewer Project

F. HEARINGS ON PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

G. AUDITING ACCOUNTS – MOTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS & PAY BILLS

Mayor requested a motion to pay Town bills. Mr. Chambers so motioned; Mr. Childers seconded-All ayes; motion carried

H. RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS & OR BUSINESS - Mayor Livingston

I. NEW BUSINESS - Mayor Livingston

- Requested need for Special Meeting on 22 February to discuss new Sewer Ordinance. Asked Clerk to arrange for Attorney Larry Madison to attend. May also discuss planning and zoning.
- Shared that Representative Scott Stadthagen will hold Town Hall Meeting 28 February 2023 at 6:30pm at Multi-Purpose Center. All are invited.
- Stated he wanted broken soldier statues at Memorial Park to be discarded. Asked Charles Stephens if he might be able to locate military equipment suitable for display.
- Mentioned he and Mr. Childers will meet with Commissioner Don Stisher and John Cooper with ALDOT in Huntsville to discuss Sanders Road maintenance.
- Explained that no county inspection is required on Sanders Road bridge since it is less than 20 feet long. Mayor wants engineer to look at bridge to determine if a load limit sign is needed or road closure before Town spends money for repairs. Mayor requested a motion to get an engineer to evaluate Town options. Mr. Chambers so motioned; Mr. Childers seconded- All ayes; motion carried.
- Shared that Rex Free has given a bid for antennas \$350 each to replace U-Verse televisions at MPC and Town Hall. Mayor requested a motion to approve purchase of antennas. Mr. Nelson so motioned; Mr. Chambers seconded- All ayes; motion carried. Mayor will contact Mr. Free.
- Stated Mooresville Spraying prices will stay same for upcoming season.
- Discussed \$1600 pine trees removal quote from Price is Right Tree Service. Mayor requested a motion to approve tree removal. Mr. Childers so motioned; Mr. Persall seconded- All ayes; motion carried. Mayor will contact Price is Right.
- Asked about getting three new flagpoles for Memorial Park. US Flag quote is \$ 3508.52 for one twenty-five foot and two twenty-foot poles. Council said would discuss later.

Mayor Livingston requested a motion to adjourn, Mr. Fowler so motioned; Mr. Chambers seconded-All ayes; motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk