

Minutes of regular meeting of Eva Town Council held on January 14, 1993, at 7:00 p.m. Roll call by Mayor Ryan with Councilmen Nichols, Alexander, Fowler, Collins and Livingston present. Meeting opened with prayer by Mr. Fowler. Guests in attendance were Jerry Livingston and Martin Nelson.

Motion by Mr. Collins, second by Mr. Fowler (carried) to dispense with the reading of the minutes until we hear from our visitors.

Jerry Livingston stated he had several areas of concern and would like to request information on the following:

- 1) Cable TV - Jerry asked who regulates the Cable TV? Mayor advised Jerry that it is controlled by the FCC. Jerry stated the prices are outrageous compared to other areas and reception is not good.
- 2) Water - Jerry asked why there were no representatives on the Water Board from Eva. Mayor stated the County Commission represents Morgan County. Jerry stated the costs are high and requested that the Council Utility Committee meet with the County Commission to request a review of the water rates, etc.
- 3) Roads - Jerry asked the Council to take a look at the area of road at the intersection of Childer's Road and Gravel Ridge Road. The road is very close to the storage building on Ruth Livingston's place and water now gets into the building due to no culverts in this area. Jerry also stated that there is a dangerous shoulder by Mike Miner's land, and the ditch bank at Carnell Road is very dangerous.

Motion by Mr. Collins, second by Mr. Livingston (carried) to approve December 10 and December 28 minutes as written.

Reports of Standing Committees:

a) Finance & Education:

- 1) Library Construction Update - Library is almost complete and is ready for the carpet to be laid. Motion by Mr. Fowler, second by Mr. Alexander (carried) to table discussions about Heat/AC to a later date when we can better determine what will be needed. Mr. Nichols presented a copy of the long range plans for the Eva Public Library (a copy of which is on file in the Town Clerk's Office). The Library Board also requested the Town to match the Friends of the Library Group's donation of 8 shelves. Motion by Mr. Collins, second by Mr. Livingston (carried) to pay for 8 shelves for the Library. Several shingles need to be replaced as soon as possible. Discussions were also done concerning the hand rails and the Council agreed to have Ezra put the rails up immediately.

b) Utilities:

- 1) No update on the pending Joe Wheeler lawsuit.
- 2) Stop Sign Update - a letter requesting the signs and posts has been delivered to Joe Summerford.

- 3) Old Town Hall Painting Update - weather has not permitted painting to be done. The Council agreed that a contrasting color for the eaves is permissible (Possibly using the same color for the Library eaves for a better appearance).
- 4) Street Light Update - no estimates have been received from Joe Wheeler engineering to date. Cleo will advise on an update at the next meeting.

c) Streets, Parks & Cemeteries:

- 1) Paving & Culvert Update - repairs on hold due to the amount of rain the past few weeks.
- 2) Recreation Park Update - no update at this time. Council discussed some small repairs to be done to the Walking Trail when weather permits.
- 3) Industrial Park - no update at present.

d) Police & Fire:

- 1) Gary presented a copy of new Fire Dept. By-Laws and rules for the Council to review (a copy of which is on file with the Town Clerk). Council reviewed these new by-laws with a suggestion that the Fire Chief use discretion con-qualification of members and tuition regarding EMT's.
- 2) Game Room - Mr. Collins stated his concern about the new game room to be opening soon in Eva. There was also concern for the type of games and machines to be used. Gary will check with Sheriff Crabbe to see if a ruling was ever made concerning the coin machines and advise at the next meeting. Council also discussed the possibility of placing a tax on each machine.

e) Recreation & Sanitation :

Mr. Collins stated he will be meeting with the Art Guild and also the Eva Activities Association at their next meetings.

No special committee reports at this time.

Reports of Officers:

Mayor Ryan received a notice by Cherokee County stating we must decide if we do not want to be a part of this lawsuit against Joe Wheeler. Motion by Mr. Livingston, second by Mr. Collins (carried) not to enter into this lawsuit and to continue with the current attorney in Madison.

Review of financial statement with a motion by Mr. Fowler, second by Mr. Alexander (carried) to transfer funds and to pay bills as presented. Clerk also advised that financial records are still at the auditors. Clerk also reviewed written correspondence from County Commission concerning MPC Director's Salary. Motion by Mr. Nichols, second by Mr. Fowler (carried) to pay stated amount for 1992-93.

Motion by adjourn by Mr. Nichols, second by Mr. Fowler (carried).

Approved: 2-11-93

Attest: .

Eva Town Clerk

EVA PUBLIC LIBRARY

LONG-RANGE PLANS

MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of Eva Public Library is to function as an integral support component of the total Eva Community by insuring equal access to public library services; striving to meet the educational, recreational, cultural and informational needs of the patrons; working toward supplying sufficient resources; investigating the potential use of technologies; expanding library programs and services; striving for increased funding and implementing a public relations program.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

1. To insure equal access to public library services by:
 - a. Expanding space for added volumes, library activities and patrons
 - b. Soliciting and training more volunteers to provide more library operating hours
2. To meet the educational, recreational, cultural and informational needs of the patrons by
 - a. Continuing to upgrade the collection with current, informational materials
 - b. Continuing to keep a "want list" of materials needed but not available
 - c. Working with community schools to supplement their collections and services
 - d. Striving to keep abreast on what is new and best sellers

3. To work toward supplying sufficient resources by:
 - a. Providing walk-in and telephone reference all hours the library is open
 - b. Securing intra- and inter-library loan service for patrons

4. To investigate the potential use of technologies by:
 - a. Attending technology in-service and workshops
 - b. Visiting sites using new technology
 - c. Reseraching new technology through professional literature

5. To expand library programs and services by:
 - a. Soliciting more volunteers with expertise in various fields
 - b. Using community resource people for special programs

6. To strive for increased funding by:
 - a. Applying for available grants where appropriate
 - b. Seeking alternate funding sources

7. To implement a public relations program by making the citizens aware of services and resources available through the Eva Library by:
 - a. Providing displays at community events when appropriate
 - b. Providing brochures describing library resources, services and hours when feasible
 - c. Working with Friends of Eva Public Library to promote library use and community support.

B Y - L A W S

EVA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT
P. O. Box 68
Eva, AL 35621

I. Name:

This organization will be known as the Eva Volunteer Fire Department. Its governing body shall be the Eva Town Council.

II. Objectives:

To protect lives and property within a five (5) road-mile radius of the fire station.

III. Qualification of Members:

Any person may become a member of the department who attends three (3) consecutive meetings and is voted in by other department members. A member that does not attend a meeting or answer a call within sixty (60) days, he or she will be asked to turn in all fire department equipment and will be put on an inactive list. This person may be reinstated to active status after attending three (3) consecutive meetings and showing a sincere interest in the department. If there are extenuating circumstances that prevent attendance of meetings, the member should contact the fire chief to be given an excused absence.

IV. Officers and their elections:

Elected annually the third Thursday night in December at the fire department shall be:

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| (A) 1. President | 4. Fire Chief (Appointed by Mayor/Council) |
| 2. Vice President | 5. Assistant Fire Chief - Two-year term |
| 3. Secretary/Treasurer | 6. Captains (2) |
| | 7. Lieutenants (2) (Move up in rank) |

(B) Duties of the officers shall be:

1. The President or Chief shall preside over the meetings.
2. The Vice President or Assistant Chief will preside over meeting in the absence of the Chief or President.
3. The Secretary/Treasurer shall have the responsibility of
 - a. making notes of actions taken, to be placed in a permanent file.
 - b. reading minutes of prior meeting.
 - c. giving treasurer reports.
 - d. keeping committee reports.

V. Duties of Fire Department Members:

- A. Chief has total command and control of VFD training sessions and drills, and authority to assign duties to other officers

in the department. He has the authority to request that any equipment charged out to a VFD member be brought in for inspection at any time.

- B. Assistant Chief will take over responsibilities in case the Chief is out.
- C. Captains will be responsible for the equipment and personnel assigned to them. Equipment is to be kept clean and in working condition. Captains are responsible for seeing that all equipment is returned in ready condition.
- D. Lieutenants shall be responsible directly to their Captains. They shall see that all assigned equipment is returned in its original positions on the apparatus. Generally, their duties shall be the same as the Captains.
- E. Drivers of fire trucks must be age 25 or over, with a good driving record. Drivers under age 25 may be authorized by Fire Chief with the permission of the insurance company. No driver will operate a truck other than on an emergency call without authorization of the Chief or Assistant Chief.
- F. Fire Fighters:
 - 1. Shall be responsible for keeping unauthorized persons off equipment.
 - 2. Shall obey the orders of the Chief or, in his absence, the officer in charge. Any fire fighter disobeying the Chief's orders will be disciplined.
 - 3. Will perform his designated duties unless he is instructed otherwise by the Chief or one of the Assistants.
 - 4. Will not willfully or intentionally abuse or destroy the property of the fire department. Any firefighter doing so will be disciplined.
 - 5. Will NOT be under the influence of alcohol or narcotics at any time while attending a fire or on an emergency call.
 - 6. Are required to stay at a fire until all the hoses and equipment are loaded on the trucks or unless he has permission from the Chief or officer-in-charge to leave.
 - 7. Should know how to operate equipment. If in doubt, ask another member of the department how to operate it.
- G. Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's):
 - 1. Shall be responsible for answering all medical emergency calls they are in range to respond to at any time of night or day.
 - 2. Shall be responsible to their ranking paramedic and fire chief.
 - 3. Shall show their interest in serving the community before they are sent to school. They shall pay their own tuition and upon completion of the course and being licensed, they shall be reimbursed.

VI. Rules for Meetings:

1. All members in good standing and present at a meeting shall have one (1) vote.
2. A majority vote rules on all business items at a meeting, with the exception of By-Laws change (See Policy VII. 3. below.).
3. A member who wishes to speak shall address the presiding officer by standing or raising his/her hand, but shall not speak until recognized by the presiding officer.
4. A special meeting can be called by the President, Vice President or Chief at any time and any business that comes before the body can and will be passed by majority vote or rules.

VII. Policy:

1. There will be no bad language used at any fire or any meeting in respect of other persons present. We need to show that we have a good department, and that we have respect for each other.
2. By-Laws will be reviewed once a year at election time in the month of December.
3. These By-Laws cannot be changed without previous notice at two (2) consecutive regular meetings. A 3/4 majority vote is required to change By-Laws.
4. These By-Laws will not supersede the Alabama Forestry Commission By-Laws, but will be used in conjunction with the Alabama Forestry Commission By-Laws and the Civil Defense By-Laws.

Date Approved: February 17, 1983, at meeting of Eva Vol. Fire Department.
March 10, 1983, at meeting of Eva Town Council.

Changes and Additions Approved: July 19, 1984, at meeting of Eva Vol. Fire Department.