

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on January 9, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. in the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston, Charles Nichols, James Fowler, Clarence Alexander, Larry Smith, and Bert Collins. Guests present: Roland Oden, C. J. Mooney, Charles Frost, and Chris Ryan. After roll call, Mr. Nichols opened with prayer.

Mr. Collins made motion to dispense reading of reading until hearing from guests, Mr. Alexander second, carried.

Roland Oden, Chairman of Medical Clinic Board, presented a rough draft drawing of a proposed plan for a medical facility that consisted of approximately 3500 sq.ft. 1750 sq. ft. for each a dentist and doctor and indicated that the building needs crawl space in case plumbing lines had to be changed at a later date. He asks that council to advise him on the next step in proceeding with this project. Mayor advised that it must be handled through the Medical Clinic Board and would seek advice from the Alabama League of Municipalities. Mayor also added that he would give the prints to CWF Construction for an estimate. Mr. Nichols advised Mr. Oden that funds, when available, would have to be transferred to the Medical Clinic Board.

Next guest to speak, C. J. Mooney. He asks that Council explain to him the breakdown of the new license ordinance, if the license will increase in the future, and how is the amount calculated. Mayor explained at length that the Town of Eva did not change the license code since first adopted in 1964. Due to the loss of revenue in August 1993, the town had no alternative but to increase revenue through a new ordinance. The council used several town ordinances and lowered those rates with the intent there would be no undue burden on any merchants or business person in the Town of Eva. Mayor explained the wording according to Merchant Retail rates should be calculated at .0005 times one-percent of gross receipts in excess of \$500,000.00. Chris Ryan stated that wording of the ordinance did not state that way. Mayor advised that the intent of the town council is as stated above. He added that if the wrong wording is so stated then it would be amended to read as intended. Mayor apologized for the error and thanked everyone who attended the council meeting.

After reading of minutes, Larry Smith made motion to approve, Mr. Fowler second, carried.

Finance & Education - Mr. Nichols

No library report was given. No finance report was given. Mayor advised that closer to Spring, the council will consider a bigger and better sign for the library.

Utilities - Mr. Alexander

Mr. Alexander advised that a lady from Falkville wanted 17 plot in the cemetery and needed a cost to given her. Mayor advised they will consider this and discuss at a later date possibly in a work session for different projects.

Mayor advised Mr. Alexander that the icemaker was not taken to Birmingham on prior date as planned due to prior commitments but will be taken on Wednesday, January 10, 1996.

Streets, Parks, & Cemeteries - Mr. Fowler

Mr. Fowler advised that the heaters were on at the concession stand bathrooms at the park to prevent water lines freezing. He also advised that he had not been able to meet with anyone at the park concerning the siding for the concession stand due to his health but will do that as soon as possible.

Mayor added that several places of the siding have broken and fell off the building the matter needed to be discussed when Mr. Fowler felt better.

Police & Fire - Mr. Smith

Mr. Smith advised that the Eva VFD will receive a defibrillator according to the paper provided by Senator Butler. This equipment is for the entire area since many of the near fire departments will not receive one.

Mr. Smith advised that the town still does not have a police contract. Mayor stated that Tom Little advised him several weeks ago that it would be completed. Mayor will check into this matter.

Mr. Smith advised the council that an Emu processing plant will be built in the town limits on Daniels Chapel Road across from the Emu farm.

Mr. Smith also advised that a Morgan County Sheriff Substation would be located next to First Commercial Bank as soon as the land is dry enough to move a trailer onto it.

Sanitation & Recreation - Mr. Collins

Mr. Collins advised that salt is needed and kept on hand for melting snow and ice on streets. Mr. Collins made motion to purchase at least 500 lbs., Mr. Alexander second, carried.

No report from Special Committees or Officers

Mayor advised that a replacement for one member of Industrial Board is needed and would recommend Johnny Persall because of his experience in commercial and industrial business. Mr. Fowler made motion to accept this recommendation, Mr. Collins second, carried.

Mayor advised that the insulation is complete at Old Town Hall and that Pastor Kinney stated that the building is already much warmer.

Mayor advised that Morgan County Commission has voted to go into the garbage pick up business effective March 1st. John Ballew, Ballew Sanitation, has been approached by Morgan County Commission to operate garbage pick-up for Morgan County. After that decision is made, town council should vote on a mandatory garbage pick up for the town of Eva.

Mayor set Monday, January 15, 1996, 2:00 p.m. for a work session.

Mr. Collins made motion to transfer funds to GTF \$.07 fund to pay bills, Mr. Smith second, carried. Mr. Alexander made motion to pay bills, Mr. Smith second, carried.

Mr. Smith made motion to adjourn, Mr. Fowler second, carried.

Approved

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Attest:

Eva Town Clerk