

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on January 14, 1997, at 6:30 P.M. in the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Livingston, C. C. "Billy" Mosteller, James A. Fowler, Clarence Alexander, Larry Smith, and Bert Collins. Late arrival guest: Phil Schmidt, BFI representative.

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

Finance & Education - Mr. Mosteller

Mr. Mosteller did not have a finance report but advised council that estimate by Leon Brown, Roofing Contractor, for replacing the library roof was \$1365.00 and patching it was \$200.00. Mr. Brown did not think that the roof has leaked. Also the dark places of the north side of the roof is mildew not soot. The roofing is fiberglass with 20 yr. guarantee, he will tear old roof off and clean up. Mr. Mosteller suggested that the insurance coverage may replace roofing. (Clerk will check out.) Mr. Collins made motion to have the roof replaced even if the insurance company does not cover the cost, Mr. Mosteller second, carried. Mayor advised that while reviewing the insurance coverage on buildings, he discovered there is only \$40,000 on library building and \$20,000 on contents and does not believe coverage is enough. Due to the number of books in catalog and cost on construction, the coverage needs to be raised. Mayor advised clerk to check coverage.

Utilities - Mr. Alexander

Mr. Alexander advised council that the water pipe on Patton Road has been picked up by the water department. He was advised by the water department that funds are not available to replace the 2" pipe. He called newly elected Cullman County Commissioner, George Speers, advised that William Sacra, water dept. supt., has resigned, and at present there is an interim supt. The Cullman Times indicated there is several problems within the Cullman Water Dept.. Mr. Alexander was advised that the 2" pipe would be replaced and the pipe was put out on Patton Rd... But after the Commissioner election, it was picked up. He reminded council that Eva pays \$5.00 per thousand compared to \$1.00 plus per thousand in Fairview. Mayor suggested that Eva seek assistance from Morgan County Commission concerning the water problems. Mr. Alexander advised that two months ago his water bill was \$60 plus, then next month \$40 plus, and then \$13 plus which indicates the meter was not read.

He also advised that William Neal replaced the breakers at Eva Park to the security lights but there is still not power to the lights. Mr. Neal said the wire is too small to the lights. Mayor will discuss with Mr. Neal.

Streets, Parks, & Cemeteries - Mr. Fowler

Mr. Fowler advised that Billy Woods, Dragline Service, repaired the bulkhead at entrance to West Side Church and Murphree Road for \$300.00 as planned. Mr. Woods advised that price to repair the bulkhead at the Library would be \$500.00 which would take more concrete and timbers. Mr. Woods ask that the town purchase a full load of gravel mix in order to repair bulkheads but Mayor advised that only what was needed at the time should be ordered. Mayor also advised that the bulkhead on the upper side of the library needed to be repaired so that water would not run across the parking lot. Mr. Fowler will get an estimate from Mr. Woods for that repair. Mr. Fowler made motion to repair the bulkhead on the south end of the parking to the library for \$500.00, Mr. Collins second, carried.

Mr. Fowler advised that Jean Deese will pay for the paving with wearcoat at the sub-division, guarantee it for one year, and enlarge the cul-de-sac, if the town will give him a letter that they will accept the streets when paving is complete. In order to finish the sub-division, he needs a letter from the town accepting the streets. Mayor reminded council that streets must be to Morgan County Specs. After

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discussion, Mayor will discuss the price of paving with Shelby Contracting and advise council.

Mayor advised that Eva Activities will have tops put on the dugouts and fence around the area so that children can not be running in and out of the area. Mr. Collins also advised that Eva Activities is pouring a pad for the dumpster if Mr. Fowler will advise a location for it. Mayor advised that Charles Ford will spread the gravel at the walking trail since Ricky Frost does not have the time.

Police and Fire - Mr. Smith

Mr. Smith advised that Eva VFD is now second in line to receive the new equipment being furnished by the State of Alabama. He also explained that the receiving line for E-911 is not printing emergency calls as they are called in to Emergency. He advised that many volunteer departments have had the line disconnected. Since the cost is \$30.53 per month and is not serving its purpose it should be discontinued. Mr. Smith made motion to disconnect, Mr. Collins second, carried. Mayor advised clerk to call the telephone company.

Mayor advised that the 1978 C-600 Brush truck needs to be insured. Mr. Smith made motion to purchase insurance on the truck whatever is needed and check into the cost on collision and that he, Mayor and the fire chief would decide how much is needed, Mr. Collins second, carried. Clerk will call the insurance company.

Recreation and Sanitation - Mr. Collins

Mr. Collins advised that the garbage and debris has been picked up that was left from The Hair Shoppe. He advised that Eva Activities is working very hard to make things right and they still need one board member replaced.

He advised that many people in town want to know when the remains of the tire shop fire will be cleaned up. David Chaffin advised him that he turned the tire shop over to William, his son. Mr. Collins said he assumed the remains will be cleaned up after the insurance settlement.

At this point in the meeting Mr. Phil Schmidt, BFI representative entered the meeting. He advised council that he was in charge of meeting with municipal council for areas north of Birmingham and he would like to give them some information concerning the Morgan County Landfill. All municipal waste must be received at a Subtitle D landfill. October 9, 1997, all landfills in Alabama that receive municipal waste must close or demonstrate that they are in compliance with all of the EPA subtitle D landfill requirements. For Decatur/Morgan Co. Landfill, this involves installing a composite liner system. He advised that City of Decatur and Morgan County Commission are joint owners of the Morgan County landfill which they plan to spend \$3.5 million for a liner and equipment over the next 5 years. The Decatur/Morgan County landfill has 4 options. Namely: 1) Sell the landfill 2) Regionalize the Decatur/Morgan County landfill and upgrade to subtitle D. 3) Upgrade Decatur/Morgan County Landfill to subtitle D and operate with reduced tonnage. And 4) Decatur/Morgan County BFI disposal agreement. Since BFI owns the Lawrence County Landfill they will offer it as a service to Decatur/Morgan Co. On a long term agreement of 10, 15, or 20 years which would greatly reduce their cost since Lawrence County Landfill is already operating at state and federal regulations. (Copy of report on file). Mr. Schmidt advised that this information needs to be reviewed by all councilmen and possibly other towns in Morgan County since the funding would probably come in higher cost in garbage service.

No Reports from Special Committees or Officers

No Hearings on Petitions, etc.

Auditing Accounts

After reviewing the bills, Mr. Collins made motion to pay, Mr. Alexander second, carried. Mr. Alexander made motion to transfer \$100.00 from General Fund to GTF \$.07 to pay bill, Mr. Fowler second, carried.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders, and other Business

Mayor advised that Eloise Livingston, member of Medical Clinic Brd. suggested waiting to a later date to appoint member to Medical Brd., still need Industrial Board member replaced which he will discuss with Johnny Persall. Darrell Holmes advised he is interested in the position also.

Mayor advised that Myra Forrester with Alabama Municipal Insurance met with him in December and advised that the town needs to adopt safety procedures and a safety coordinator for the liability insurance. A letter was received dated December 19th advising that the town must respond in 30 days. Clerk will call to advise Ms. Forrester that plans are being made.

Mayor also advised that East Morgan Industrial Development Board has ask that Eva Town Council meet with them on January 23, 6:30 p.m. at Bobby's restaurant in Eva.

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

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Attest:

Eva Town Clerk

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