

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on July 14, 2015, 6:30 p.m. at the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston, Council members James Henderson, Johnny Persall, Martin Nelson, and Clerk Judy Fortenberry Council Members Brandlee Shadden absence due to work and Kent Chambers due sickness.

Guests: Joe Hill, John Holmes, Betty Golden, Bert Collins, and Robby Cantrell

Mayor Livingston called the meeting to order; all council members present, except Brandlee Shadden and Kent Chambers absence due to work and sickness. After roll call, informed all present that we open our meetings with prayer, if anyone objected we would abstain from this practice at tonight's meeting. No one objected, Mayor asked Mr. Henderson to open with prayer.

Johnny Persall motion to abstain from reading of the minutes until after hearing from guest, Mr. Nelson Seconded, carried.

Mayor turned the meeting over to Mr. Cantrell with North Alabama Regional Council of Government (NARCOG); Mr. Cantrell stated the purpose of the Public Hearing – which is to discuss the town's submission of an application for the Fiscal Year 2015 Recreational Trails Program. He stated as part of the hearing process, citizens will be asked to verbally comment on the proposed project. The Town needs as much local participation as possible in order to reflect the true desires of the community as a whole, as well as the comments relating to the proposed project application. The State has established a maximum application request for each funding activity. Trail activities that are eligible for funding include: non-motorized for a single use; non-motorized for diverse use; motorized for diverse use; and educational projects. No displacement of persons is proposed.

The Town is proposing to replace the existing crushed gravel walking trail at the Shorty Ryan Park with a new Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant asphalt walking surface. The proposed project area is located at the Shorty Ryan Park located on County Road 35 in the Town of Eva, Alabama. The total project cost is estimated at \$43,750. The town will be required to contribute minimum 20% local matching funds if the proposed project is funded. The project, if funded, will benefit all citizens of the town of Eva.

The Town will be required to pay for the project up front, and then the State will reimburse the Town.

This is the pre-application for this grant, which will need to be turned in by noon on July 31. All information on the pre-application will go to the final application.

He ask if anyone had any comment, Mr. Henderson ask if the Town had the money needed for this project, Town Clerk stated yes.

Resolution #15-05 was introduced by Mayor Livingston and read at length.

Council member Henderson moved that all rules governing the council which might, unless suspended, prevent the passage and adoption of Resolution #15-05 at this meeting is and the same are hereby suspended for the purpose of permitting the resolution to be finally passed and adopted at this meeting.

Council member Persall seconded this motion.

The question was put before the council and on roll call the vote was as follows.

Mayor Livingston	Yea	Council Member Henderson	Yea
Council Member Persall	Yea	Council Member Nelson	Yea

Mayor Livingston presiding officer declared the motion adopted by unanimous vote of the members present.

Council member Henderson moved that the said Resolution #15-05 be finally passed and adopted as introduced.

Council member Nelson seconded this motion.

Mayor Livingston presiding officer put the question of final passage and the adoption of said Ordinance to vote of the council, and on call of the roll the results were as follows:

Mayor Livingston	Yea	Council member Henderson	Yea
Council member Persall	Yea	Council member Nelson	Yea

Presiding officer Mayor Livingston announced the result of the vote, and declared Resolution #15-05 passed.

Mayor asked if everyone had read the minutes of the June 11, 2015 regular Council Meeting. Mr. Henderson motioned to approve the minutes, Mr. Persall seconded, carried. Mayor ask if everyone had read the minutes to the call meeting of June 23, 2015 call meeting, Mr. Persall motion to approve, Mr. Nelson seconded, carried.

A: FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY– MR. CHAMBERS

Mr. Chambers' absence due to sickness. Mayor asks if Mrs. Golden had anything to report on the Summer Reading Program. Mrs. Golden stated the last day was this past Monday with an average of 99 in attendance for each program. She had written a letter thanking Larry Smith with Jacks Foodland for all his support, she and the Mayor signed the letter.

Call Meeting set for August 22, at 6:30 for work session on 2015-2016 Budget.

B: UTILITIES & STREETS– MR. SHADDEN

Mr. Shadden absence due to work.

C: PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES – MR. PERSALL

No report

D: POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS – MR HENDERSON

Mr. Henderson asks if we had a date for the yard sale, after discussion August 14, and 15 were scheduled.

Mr. Henderson asks if everyone had read the “Town of Eva Storm Shelter Operation and Maintenance Guide” and if there were any changes needed. Mayor said he had a couple of changes to be made, those were noted.

F: SANITATION & BUILDINGS –MR. NELSON

No report

5. HEARINGS ON PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNIC. ETC

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

Mr. Persall motion to pay the bills, Mr. Nelson seconded, motion carried.

7. RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS & OTHER BUSINESS

New Business:

Old Business: Mayor reported he had talked with Bonnie McDaniel about the property located at the 4-way. He made an offer of \$20,000.00 she came back with \$25,000 and they would pay the legal fees. He asks if anyone wanted to comment on this price. He stated that Morgan County District 3 would take the building down after we had it checked for asbestos, that the county would also pay half to test the soil if required. Mayor suggests we purchase this property. After discuss all present agreed that this is a good price, and Mayor should get back with Mrs. McDaniel.

Mr. Nelson motion to purchase the property for \$25,000 with them paying legal fees, Mr. Persall seconded, carried.

Mayor will call Mrs. McDaniel; Clerk will do Ordinance to purchase.

Mayor presented Mr. Saddens resignation letter to the Council, Mayor declared this position open and we have 60 days to fill.

Mr. Nelson motion to adjourn, Mr. Persall seconded, Carried.

APPROVED:

Attest: _____

Town Clerk

