

Minutes of regular meeting of Eva Town Council held on 10 July 2023 at 6:30 PM at Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston, Council Members: Edsel Childers, Johnny Persall, Martin Nelson, Ripley Fowler, Kent Chambers Town Clerk, Kathy Nelson, and Assistant Town Clerk Kimberly Cryer.

Guests: Roger Burrow, Jeff Frost, Julie Mooney, Terri Hightower and Joyce Woodall

Mayor 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 Livingston requested a motion to approve minutes of 13 June 2023, Regular Council Meeting without changes. Mr. Persall so motioned; Mr. Childers seconded; All ayes-motion carried.

A. FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY– MR. CHAMBERS

- Budget review from last year done, shifted money around Mayor Livingston requested a motion to approve budget update. Mr. Chambers so motioned; Mr. Martin seconded; All ayes-motion carried.
- Need a work session in August to do next year's budget.
- Recognized Joyce Woodall who stated:
 - Summer reading had 607 books read.
 - Josh Nelson from Dale Strong's office said, our upstairs is not handicap accessible and he could write a proposal to get a grant for a lift.
 - Genealogy went to the Dotson House.
 - Tinsel Trail has sold 68 trees thus far.

B. UTILITIES & STREETS – MR. CHILDERS

- Mr. Childers stated that we need flags on utility poles for next year and asked council to consider approval at next council meeting.

C. PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES – MR. PERSALL

- Driveway at the surplus has damage and Town will consult Commissioner Don Stisher to fix it.
- Stisher and Cooper still waiting on State decision about Hwy 55E paving funds.
- Citizens asked that the brush by Post office be taken down.
- William Neel called about poles for walking trail said, they are about 10-12 weeks out on poles coming in.
- Need to make a work session for discussion about paving projects.

D. POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS – MR. FOWLER

- Helipad update: Chief Dennis Holmes looking into estimates Johnny has applied for an ARC grant to help in the helipad \$15,000.

E. SANITATION & BUILDINGS – MR. NELSON

- Mr. Nelson requested that missing cabinet doors at the dentist office be replaced.
- Need generators for the Dr. office and for Town Hall, Mr. Nelson requested Mayor to get prices from Jodi Borden at Generac Lacey Springs need to get bid done before winter.

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

No Report

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

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

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

23-01-RESOLUTION-Authorizing the execution of agreements with AVENU Insights & Analytics, LLC

Council Member Chambers moved that all rules governing the council which might unless suspended, prevent the passage and adoption of the Resolution at this meeting, be and the same are hereby suspended for the purpose of permitting the said Resolution 23-01 to be finally passed and adopted at this meeting.

That Council member Persall seconded this motion.

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

Mayor Livingston	Yea	Council Member Childers.	Yea
Council Member Persall	Yea	Council Member Chambers	Yea
Council Member Nelson	Yea	Council Member Fowler	Yea

That the presiding officer declares the motion adopted by unanimous vote of the members present.

Council Member Chambers moved that the said Resolution 23-01 be finally passed and adopted as introduced.

That Council Member Persall seconded this motion.

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

Mayor Livingston	Yea	Council Member Childers.	Yea
Council Member Persall	Yea	Council Member Chambers	Yea
Council Member Nelson	Yea	Council Member Fowler	Yea

The presiding officer announced the result of the vote and declared the Resolution 23-01 finally passed and adopted.

I. NEW BUSINESS - Mayor Livingston

- Recognized Terri Hightower from Senior center who shared they have applied for monies from the county for the seniors. Currently there are about 22 regulars and 22 home bound residents. Terri stated they have a new food company coming in named Trio.

- Dale Strong having a meeting with town council and a few members of the community at Bobby's August 1, 2023.
- Need to schedule a retirement dinner for John Holmes
- We are scheduled to get a grant to pave Leo Road.
- August 3rd Mayor/clerk meeting @ 6:30 pm. Marcy is catering all council is invited.
- Cleaning for Marcy cleaning senior center is up for renewal 3600.00.
- Mayor decided that parking lot paving be as one project and Pickleball as a one project.

Mayor Livingston requested a motion to adjourn, Mr. Nelson so motioned, Mr. Persall seconded; All Ayes- motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

APPROVED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk