

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on March 10, 2009, 6:30 p.m. at the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston, Councilmember's: Johnny Persall, James Henderson, Brandlee Shadden, Bert Collins and Asst. Clerk Angela Holmes, Council Member Kent Chambers absence due to work.

Guests: Jerry Miner, Louis McDonald, Joel Holmes, Nathan Holmes, Ray Partain, Betty Golden, Brian Brown, Jeff Frost, Edsel Childers, Joe Hill, and John Holmes

Councilman Persall presented Mayor Livingston with a gavel for use during council meetings.

Mayor Livingston called the meeting to order; all council members present except as stated above. 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 Livingston asked Mr. Ray Partain to open with prayer.

Mr. Collins made a motion to dispense with reading the minutes until after the guests has spoken, Mr. Persall seconded, motion carried.

Brian Brown brought the report of the park drainage. He said they could cover 80% of the cost of the work. Mr. Brown left the meeting.

Rural Morgan County Industrial Board, represented by Jerry Miner and Louis McDonald reported that two companies wanted to locate in the industrial park of Eva. Both companies are wood shaving suppliers. Joel Holmes and Nathan Holmes represented one of the companies. RMCIB will be putting up buildings to house the machinery of the companies. Mayor Livingston and the Councilmen voiced interest in touring a facility like that before approval. Mr. Collins made a motion to visit a facility already in existence and check out the noise and other factors. Mr. Shadden seconded, motion carried. After discussion, Mayor and Council members will tour the facility Tuesday, March 17, 2009. Mayor and Council will set up a called meeting to approve after they visit the other facility. Mr. Miner and Mr. McDonald will plan a called meeting also to discuss the new businesses. Mr. Miner, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Joel Holmes and Mr. Nathan Holmes left the meeting.

Mr. Collins made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Henderson seconded, motion carried.

A: FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY- MR. CHAMBERS

Mrs. Betty Golden reported on the new WiFi at the library. It reaches the Wagon Wheel, Brian Brown's house, Exxon parking lot, Sabina's, and in the parking lot of the library. It does not reach Downtown Pizza or very far toward that area. For \$400 Smart Fox could install antennas on top of the library and it would reach an additional 400 feet. The Mayor recommended asking for help from the strip mall businesses for raising the funds to install the antennas.

B: UTILITIES & STREETS- MR. SHADDEN

Mr. Shadden reported that the signs for the new poles at the 4-way will be ready and installed next week if the weather permits. Mayor Livingston wants John Holmes to pull up the old poles at the 4-way.

C: PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES - MR. PERSALL

Already reported – Brian Brown’s report.

D: POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS – MR HENDERSON

Mr. Henderson reported the fire department had 2 structure fire, 5 EMT Runs and 2 vehicle wrecks this past month.

Mr. Henderson expressed concern that the new sidewalk construction not interfere with Frontier Days.

Mr. Henderson reported that we need to change the signs at the park that keep the dogs off the walking trail. He had an incident with a lady that had her dog at the park but not on the trail. Her dogs chased Mr. Henderson’s grandson. When he asked her to remove her dogs from the park she said that she didn’t have them on the walking trail so she was allowed to have them there. Mr. Henderson wants to change the signs already posted at the park that read “no dogs on the walking trail” to “no animals of any kind except service animals allowed at the park.”

Mr. Henderson would also like a drinking fountain at the park for those that use the walking trail and other park amenities. It was discussed whether to have a cooler or just a fountain. Mr. Persall will check on drinking fountains.

E: SANITATION & BUILDINGS –MR. COLLINS

Mr. Collins had no report. He did state that he was very grateful and commended the VFD for all of their excellent work and help when Mrs. Collins had her wreck last month.

Joe Hill reported that he had received a wrench for the sewer plant that was too big for the fittings. He also reported that they had met with the school people and that they agreed to change the floats and that that seemed to help the flow problem. He had checked it after the last big rain and it seemed to be doing much better.

HEARINGS ON PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNIC. ETC

Mr. Collins moved to keep the minimum bids for the travel trailers as follows: \$3,000.00 for the 2006 Jayco and \$4,000.00 for the 2005 Forester. Mr. Shadden seconded, motion carried.

AUDITING ACCOUNTS – MOTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS & PAY BILLS

Mr. Persall presented Resolution 09-02, Titled: Authorization for the Town of Eva to enter into an Agreement with Bellsouth Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a/ AT&T Alabama to construct, operate and maintain its communication facilities in the public rights of way throughout the Town of Eva, Morgan County, AL.

Council member Henderson moved that all rules governing the council which might, unless suspended, prevent the passage and adoption of Resolution #09-02 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 Shadden	Yea
Council Member Persall	Yea	Council Member Henderson	Yea
Council Member Collins	Yea		

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

Council Member Henderson moved that the said Resolution 09-02 be finally passed and adopted as introduced.

Council Member Persall seconded this motion.

Mayor Livingston 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 Alexander	Yes
Council Member Persall	Yea	Council Member Henderson	Yea
Council Member Collins	Yea		

Presiding officer Mayor Livingston announced the result of the vote, and declared Resolution 0902 passed and adopted.

Mr. Collins made a motion to pay bills, Mr. Henderson seconded, motion carried.

Mr. Henderson made a motion for approval for all that could attend the League Meeting May 2 – 5, 2009, Mr. Collins seconded, motion carried. Mayor & Mrs. Livingston, Mr. & Mrs. Collins, Mr. & Mrs. Shadden and Mr. & Mrs. Henderson and Judy Fortenberry are planning on attending at this time.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS & OTHER BUSINESS

New Business:

Mr. Persall motioned to adjourn, Mr. Henderson seconded, carried.

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

Town Clerk