

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town council held on Tuesday, October 10, 1995, at 7:30 p.m. in the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Livingston, Charles Nichols, James Fowler, Clarence Alexander, Larry Smith, and late arrival-Bert Collins. Also present from Library Board, Eloise Livingston. Mr. Fowler opened the meeting with prayer. After roll call, Mr. Fowler made motion to dispense reading of minutes until hearing from Mrs. Livingston on Library report, Mr. Smith, second, carried.

Mrs. Livingston gave three-month report (copy on file) and expressed her concern for the damage sign in front of the Library. She advised that the sign was dangerous to patrons of the library in the manner that it is laying. (Sign was destroyed by a transfer truck turning around in the library parking lot on October 3, 1995.) Mayor advised that the sign could not be moved until we knew that the trucking company had made insurance report and was going to replace it. Mayor advised he would contact Sheriff Crabbe concerning the report.

After reading of minutes, Mayor said there should be "No" tractor-trailer rigs parking in the industrial park. If one park there, many will want to do so. Council agreed. Mr. Nichols made motion to approve minutes of September 12, 1995, Mr. Collins, second, carried.

#### Finance & Education - Mr. Nichols

Mr. Nichols advised that he had no report. Mayor presented a gas/oil bill from B & M Food Mart for the tractor used for mowing at the park and all of the town. In the past the Eva Activities had purchased but since funds were low could not at this time. Mr. Folwer made motion for town to pay for gas/oil for the tractor and any additional expenses until Eva Activities had the funds available, Mr. Smith second, carried.

Mayor advised that Capital Carpets d/b/a Eva Carpet and Tile had moved from the Old Town Hall owing the final utilities bills. He has written a letter to them and clerk has called several times asking that they pay. After several months and attempts to collect, Mayor advised clerk to pay due to our working relationship with Joe Wheeler, EMC and Cull-Jefferson Gas District. Total paid was \$263.31.

Mayor also advised that he is still working on increases to privilege license amounts so that no one will be effected by an increase. He will have work sessions concerning this soon due to the fact that license have to be billed by December 15th for the following year - 1996. License are due by Janaury 30th.

#### Utilities - Mr. Alexander

Mr. Alexander advised that he had no report. Mayor advised that he and Larry Smith would take the icemaker (purchased but did not operate properly at MPC) back to P & P Fixtures on Monday, October 16, 1995, as promised.

#### Streets, Parks & Cemeteries - Mr. Fowler

Mr. Fowler reported that the striping was being done on 55E to Fairview and was very glad that it is started. He reported that a lock had to be replaced at the Concession Stand at the Park, the bathrooms were cleaned and locked. The urinal has also been repaired. Mr. Fowler and Tommie

Moore has repaired the commode at the MPC and removed the shrubbery that Ruth Livingston cut from around the site building. He advised that a commercial lock is needed for the front door at the site. He ask Larry Smith to please get a price on the type lock needed.

Mr. Fowler advised that a turn lane is needed at Foodland and First Commercial bank due the number of accidents that have occurred. Mr. Smith has agreed that land from his property could be used for this purpose. Mayor advised that he will check into this matter.

Mr. Nichols advised that Mrs. Roland Ryan (Frances) called to know if the council ever approved naming the park after the late Mayor Roland Ryan. He has brought this up in prior meeting. Mayor advised that clerk has checked with the Alabama League and they advised that the town could name the park whatever they chose. (Clerk will check previous minutes to see that council approve and advise Mr. Nichols.)

After lengthy discussion on tile and gravel for driveways, Mr. Fowler made motion to place a "30 day hold" on purchase of any rock and tile, Mr. Collins second, carried.

#### Police & Fire - Mr. Smith

Mr. Smith advised that Fire Chief Holmes would meet with council after he meets with the Morgan County Association tonight probably around 9:00 p.m. He has discussed with chief about weed cutting/killing around fire hydrants. He has discussed that one was damaged by the county while mowing. Chief Holmes stated that the firemen will take care of the matter this next year.

Mr. Smith advised that the Police Contract is still not complete. Mayor advised that he is suppose to meet with Chief Tom Little in the very near future.

Mr. Smith also advised that at present, there is possible plans for a Morgan County Sheriff sub-station to be located next to First Commercial Bank on 55E. After this is discussed with Sheriff Crabbe, he will report to council.

#### Recreation & Sanitation - Mr. Collins

Mr. Collins reported that raw sewage can still be smelled in front of the Quality Drugs and G. C. Childers building. Mayor reported that he has left word with Joe Wheeler office concerning advise from their engineer.

Mayor advised that it is possible that Morgan County will adopt a mandatory garbage pick-up and the town will have to make a decision. He also advised that there is already an ordinance in place that the residents are responsible to decide who should collect their garbage.

#### No Report from Special Committees or Officers

#### Hearings on petitions, applcs., complaints, appeals, commuc. etc.

Mayor advised that an off road on 55 west of Eva needs a name for E-911. The road that Gladys Moses lived on and now by Don Patton, Maurice Bentley's apartments. He suggested a name of Gladys Road and that a letter would have to be written to E-911 office.

At this point in the meeting, Firechief Dennis Holmes arrived from Morgan County Association meeting. Mayor ask Chief Holmes to present to council his requests.

Chief Holmes advised that the turn-out gear and air paks presently used by the fire department does not meet NFPA requirements. Repair cost on air-paks is \$800 - \$900 each time. Also, Morgan County is changing the radio system. All radio repairs are very expensive. He added that 15 turn out gear sets @ \$1000, 12 radios @ \$600 and 10 air paks @ \$1600. He is requesting a possible loan over a ten year period could be obtained to purchase the necessary equipment. Hoses were also needed but felt like they could wait. He has check with First Bank of Eva and they advised that a loan of \$60,000 - \$65,000 would have payments of \$1000 per month. Mr. Nichols made motion that Mayor, Chief Holmes and Larry Smith meet and discuss this matter and seek a loan which the fire department would be financially able to handle, Mr. Alexander second, carried.

Mr. Smith made motion to transfer necessary fund from General Fund to pay GTF 7¢ bills, Mr. Fowler second, carried. Mr. Alexander made motion to pay bills, Mr. Smith second, carried.

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

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Attest:

Eva Town Clerk