

Minutes of regular meeting of Eva Town Council held on 13 August 2024 at 6:30 PM at Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Gary Livingston, Council Members: Martin Nelson, Ripley Fowler, Kent Chambers, and Edsel Childers, Clerk Kathy Taylor and Assistant Clerk Kimberly Cryer.

Guests: Nolan West, Julie Mooney, Joyce Woodall, Charles Stephens, Roger Burrow, Lewis White, Kate Terry, Joe Hill, and Terri Hightower.

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 led in prayer in the absence of Council Member Nelson.

Mayor Livingston requested a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes to recognize Kate Terry with the Morgan County Courthouse and the new Principal Mr. Lewis White. Mr. Chambers so motioned; Mr. Persall seconded; All ayes-motioned carried.

Ms. Kate Terry asked council if the county could put in a tag kiosk in town hall due to Eva being the furthest away from Morgan County Courthouse. Ms. Terry did say that county would fund the whole project and maintain the machine. Mayor Livingston requested a motion to add a kiosk at Town Hall. Nelson so motioned; Mr. Persall seconded; All ayes-motion carried.

Mr. Lewis introduced himself as the new Principal for A.P. Brewer High School. He stated that he is very proud to be there considering that Brewer is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest in state by demographics. Mr. Chambers explained that we donate money to our local schools, but we would need a letter of intent on what that money would be used for.

Mayor Livingston requested a motion to approve minutes of 9 July 2024, Regular Council Meeting. Mr. Childers so motioned; Mr. Nelson seconded; All ayes-motion carried.

#### **A. FINANCE, EDUCATION & LIBRARY– MR. CHAMBERS**

- Stated that Council needs to set up a work session to discuss the budget for the upcoming year. They agreed on September 27 at 3pm.
- Asked for an update from Joyce Woodall about the library she stated she had nothing to report

#### **B. UTILITIES & STREETS – MR. CHILDERS**

- Stated we needed to address uneven sidewalks ASAP. Mayor stated that Mikey and Joe could start working on them right after Frontier Days. Childers asked if we could paint them orange or put cones on them during Frontier Days to help with seeing them.

#### **C. PARKS, RECREATION & CEMETERIES – MR. PERSALL**

- Parris Fence put in a bid to fix the baseball/softball fields. Mayor Livingston requested a motion to repair the fences Mr. Persall so motioned; Mr. Chambers seconded; All ayes-motion carried.
- Asked if we needed to put sealer on the new pavement and Matthew Frost suggested we don't.
- Stated that he had been talking with Matthew Frost about upkeeping the extra land the town had, and he said, he would do the upkeep if the town paid for seed and supplies and then he would cut it for hay.

**D. POLICE, FIRE & GRANTS – MR. FOWLER**

- Mentioned he talked with Matthew Frost about the Helipad and if for some reason Don Stisher is unable to help that he would once he took over office.

**E. SANITATION & BUILDINGS- MR. NELSON**

- Stated that the town met with Chuck Chitwood and Dale Matson to get paperwork ready for January appropriations from Dale Strong.
- Stated that we still haven't heard about the church property yet.
- Stated that the Dental Office in need of new countertops for dental office and maybe a oven hood.

**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**

**24-03-RESOLUTION- Resolution Adopting Transportation Plan Pursuant to the Rebuild Alabama Act (Act 2019-2)**

Council Member Nelson 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 24-03 to be finally passed and adopted at this meeting.

That Council member Chambers 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 Nelson moved that the said Resolution 24-03 be finally passed and adopted as introduced.

That Council Member Chambers 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 24-03 finally passed and adopted.

**I. NEW BUSINESS - Mayor Livingston**

- Stated that he got with Kenneth Golden about painting the dentist office and he said, he would.
- Pine tree update Joe Wheeler said no they were not going to touch it Mr. Stisher said, it wasn't on the right of way. Got two quotes to take the tree down \$1500 and maybe like \$1000 if we give the logs away. Mr. Childers suggested that we wait until it falls or dies before we do anything then it may become someone else's problem.
- Kathy reminded council about making a line item for the upcoming election
- Stated that Fowler turned in his resignation for August 31, 2024, because he got married and is now moving to Hartselle. Mayor told him he has done an outstanding job, and he appreciates everything that he has done for our town. Mayor Livingston requested a motion to accept Mr. Fowler's resignation. Mr. Persall so motioned; Mr. Chambers seconded; All ayes- motion carried
- Announced a vacancy seat in council for place 4 Police/Fire & Grants
- Asked to also talk about filling position by September meeting at the work session on August 27<sup>th</sup> 3pm.
- Mayor asked Terri Hightower about the senior site and how it's going she replied, good they have taken several trips and have went out to lunch as well

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

APPROVED:

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk