

Minutes of regular meeting of Eva Town Council held on 12 September 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 Taylor, and Assistant Town Clerk Kimberly Cryer.

Guests: Roger Burrow, Charles W. Stephens, 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 asked Mr. Nelson to lead in prayer.

Mayor Livingston requested a motion to approve minutes of 12 September 2023, Regular Council Meeting without changes, and to approve Special Meeting minutes Mr. Persall so motioned; Mr. Childers seconded; All ayes-motion carried.

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

- Presented 2023-2024 Budgets for the General Fund, Activities, Library, Volunteer Fire Department and Sewer Plant; all budgets were as discussed in the work session. Mr. Chambers motion to accept the budgets as presented, Mr. Nelson seconded, all ayes-motion carried.
- Added a new line item for the senior site.
- Added a 5% pay raises for all employees.
- Will go down to Brewer during fall break to look at what they will use the town's donation for.
- We still haven't heard anything about why taxes are so high.
- Look at cleaning trees up along property line near Edsel.

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

No Report

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

- Working on getting doors done for the Dr. Office
- Said, that Joe and Mikey got the mini ex fixed so they could get everything cleaned up before Frontier Days.
- Suggested that while we are cleaning up that we remove the junk trees along the fence line of the property that the town owns.
- Wanted to get quote from Spicer and Sons to resurface basketball court and line it for pickleball as well.
- New Camera ready for Clinic/VFD
- Might get electrical lines ran for tinsel trail within the next few weeks.
- Don Stisher paving is planned for 55 East
- Paving cost have increased -Capital Improvements anything under 100,000.

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

- To look at addressing needs of fire dept. we are running out of room.

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

- Has been working on getting quotes from Spicer and Sons and Jones Brothers about repaving the parking lots at the Library, Medical Clinic, Community Center, Ball Park, and Town Hall.
- Suggested that after getting both bids we take the lowest bid and schedule to get it done before Frontier Days. Mr. Fowler so motioned; Mr. Persall seconded; All ayes-motion carried.

**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. Nelson seconded; All Ayes-motion carried.

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

**I. NEW BUSINESS - Mayor Livingston**

- Sewer updates: We got 1 bid for 314,000.00 Chuck is trying to negotiate to get it in our price range, if not we can reject their bid and try and get our own.
- Stated that we were approved for the monies to complete the sewer work down at the subdivision that Jeff Frost is putting in.
- Asked if we could move the October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting to October 2<sup>nd</sup> due to him being out of town.
- Checked CD's that the town and the VFD have. Town has 1 at Eva Bank and the VFD has 2 one at Eva Bank and one at Premier Bank that I just moved 200,000 over to a 5.25 7 month. I did let Dennis know and he was good with it.
- Supper for the 25<sup>th</sup> at 7pm for the Merchants of the Town.
- Safety meeting Dec 11 @ 6:30 p.m.

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

APPROVED:

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Town Clerk