

Minutes of Meeting of Eva Town Council held in regular session October 13, 1988, 7 PM, attended by Mayor Ryan and Councilmen Nichols, Livingston, Hipps and Collins. Visitors present were Mr. Ward Bodner, General Manager of Premiere Cable Communications, and his Administrative Assistant Sheila St. John; also VFD Chief Holmes and Eva Activities Association representative Darrell Eddleman.

Motion was offered by Mr. Hipps; seconded by Mr. Nichols; carried to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes so that we could hear from the visitors. Mayor then asked Ward Bodner to address the council about the cable television plans. He reiterated for those who were not present in the Sept. 20 meeting the plans for Morgan and Cullman rural areas. Mayor asked about any compensation for the Town, to which Mr. Bodner replied that it was not the policy to compensate the Towns involved; that they wanted to keep the rates low so that the customer benefits. Mr. Bodner said that he has a meeting with the company president tomorrow and if the Mayor will sign 3 copies of the permit, he will take them with him and bring a fully executed copy back to Eva after his meeting with Mr. Harms. Motion was made by Mr. Collins, seconded by Mr. Nichols, carried, to adopt the resolution for the Town of Eva to enter into the cable television permit with Premiere, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement.

Mayor then called on Darrell Eddleman to report on park status. He said that Mr. Walter Owens is doing the survey as requested and that if all goes well he would finish tomorrow. He did recommend that while they were out here on the job that they shoot the corners. Motion made by Mr. Hipps, seconded by Mr. Collins, carried, to have Mr. Owens go ahead and put the corners in while he is doing the survey. Mr. Eddleman will contact him to do this. Council agreed with Mr. Eddleman to have another meeting on park status on Oct. 27, 7 P.M.

Eva VFD Chief Holmes presented the proposed budget from the Eva Volunteer Fire Department for fiscal year 1988-89 (copy attached). Mayor told him that the council would consider it with the other budget items when they have the budget meeting.

Old Business:

- 1-A representative from Jon Strickland's office in Montgomery came out to look over the park area. They have our grant request under consideration. We sent them copies of the deeds.
- 2-No new word on the highway signs and painting of STOP AHEAD on the highways coming in to the 4-way stop, except that Bob Woodruff, County Engineer, told the Mayor that he would take care of getting these things done.
- 3-No word on the mail routes. Senator Don Hale said that he would try to get us a contact person in Birmingham so that we might try to work out an appointment to meet with them to discuss the situation and perhaps make some concessions as to the numbers of boxes involved. He said that if this didn't work out, we should contact Sen. Heflin and Cong. Flipppo to intervene in behalf of the Town of Eva.
- 4-The planned public road on the Stacy/Stout property cannot be completed by the County until we have a signed blanket right-of-way deed from them. The deed has been prepared and will be signed in the next few days. A copy will be given to Mr. Summerford so that they can proceed with the road construction.
- 5-The agreement with Hartselle Medical Center on the Eva Medical Clinic has not yet been signed. The new administrator came out yesterday and maybe soon we will have everything worked out. He indicated that we might still be able to get Dr. King out here.

New Business:

- 1-Mayor told the Council that Seth Ballew of Ballew Sanitation, who has the contract for garbage service in Town of Eva, would like to increase his rates. Other small municipalities in the county have voted for him to increase their rates to \$5.75 a month from \$5

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a month. He also wanted authority to have customers pay for quarter rather than month at a time. Council voted to leave it at a monthly rate since there were so many on fixed incomes who might not be able to pay the quarterly rates. However, if those who could pay the quarterly or annual rates, they should have the option to do so. Council voted to authorize Mr. Ballew to increase his rates in Eva to \$5.75 per month, with the understanding that he give the people at least a 30-day notice that the rates would be increased: (M:Collins; S:Nichols; carried)

In OTHER ACTIONS, the Council voted to:

- 1-Award the bid on the new fire hall to low bidder Bigbee Steel Buildings of Muscle Shoals @ \$56,000. Clerk is to notify Mr. Bigbee, as well as the other bidders of this action. In this connection, Mr. Collins offered the motion, seconded by Mr. Livingston; carried; to put pile in the ditch all the way across the front of that property. Mayor asked Mr. Livingston to notify Mr. Summerford of this, and to tell him we're ready for him to begin work on getting the pad ready for the building.
- 2-Give the Girl Scouts \$50 to buy flower bulbs for them to plant at the Senior Center.* They will do this, and keep the weeds pulled for their community service project. *Motion made by Mr. Collins; seconded Mr. Nichols; carried.
- 3-Buy plaques from personal funds to be presented to Terrell Livingston (16 years on council) and Alton Page (7 years on council) at the Barbecue on November 5. Clerk had estimated cost of \$25 for the 2 plaques. Mayor & Council will pay \$4.00 each and Clerk will pay the remaining cost and pick up the plaques.
- 4-Run water line out the road to Barry Holmes and Chris Ryan's houses. They are now tapping in to Johnny Ryan's water lines. Frank Walker had given the Mayor an estimate of \$9900.00 to install the line, approx. 2200 feet; and one fire hydrant with tapping sleeve. Mayor will check with Mr. Calvert at the Cullman County Water Dept. to see if they will help out on this before we proceed with giving the job to Frank Walker.
- 5-Have Ezra Childers build 3 more wood shelves for the Library (M:Nichols; S:Livingston; c.)
- 6-Get County to mow the roadsides on Murphy Road at the request of Jim Lowe and Calvin Keisler who have notified the council that the weeds and grass are very high. This was confirmed by Mr. Nichols.
- 7-Accept the bid of \$250 from Morris Striping & Sealing for layout and striping the corner vacant lot and the parking area at CJ's corner. (M:Livingston; S:Collins; carried). Clerk was asked to get some prices on concrete slabs which will be needed at the vacant corner lot.
- 8-Accept the increases as requested by Morgan County Commission on deputy salary (to \$1210 per month) and on Ruth Livingston's benefits to bring our monthly payment to county \$514.01. (M:Hipps; S:Nichols; carried)
- 9-Have Clerk finish preparing the 1988-89 budget, and have a budget session October 27 following the park status meeting with Eva Activities Association.
- 10-Pay the bills as presented (attached sheet), and to transfer funds as required. (M:Livingston; S:Collins; carried).

ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE:

- 1-We have been petitioned by Jerry Lee, Ruth and Rosemary Livingston to annex their properties along Frost Road into the Town of Eva. There is a 50x50 corner involved which belongs to Cullman County Water Dept. Clerk is to contact Cullman County about bringing it in.
- 2-The VFD has arranged with American Red Cross to have A Blood Drive on Sat., December 3, from 9 to 2. The VFD will promote this. Mayor urged council's participation.
- 3-The annual barbecue will be held November 5, 6:30 PM at the Multi-Purpose (Senior) Center.

There being no further business, motion was offered by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Hipps to adjourn.

Bonnie G. Holmes, Town Clerk

Approved: 11-10-88

This resolution was passed at the October 13, _____, 1988
Town Council Meeting.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Masada Cable Partners, L.P. has proposed to provide cable television services to the Town of Eva, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, a written agreement for said services has been proposed by Masada Cable Partners, L.P. and

WHEREAS, Masada Cable Partners, L.P. has made known that it desires a cable television permit; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Eva desires to obtain cable television services for the residents of the Town of Eva;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Town Council of the Town of Eva that the cable television permit attached hereto be entered into and adopted by the Town of Eva.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Town of Eva.

This 13th day of October, 1988

Mayor

Attest: Town Clerk

EVA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT - PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FY 1988-1989.

Maintenance and repairs on trucks, radios, equipment (incl: gas and oil)		\$3,500
New equipment:		
Tool chest and tools (approved in 1987-88 budget but not purchased yet)) \$300)	
Come-Along (approved in 87-88 budget; not yet purchased)) 50)	1,075
1 Turbo-jet Nozzle, 1½" (approved 2 in 87-88 budget; purchased only 1)) 325)	
Gas-powered Air Blower (for use on woods fires and grass fires)) 250)	
Binoculars) 150)	
EMT/Firemen Training and EMT Supplies		1,000
Miscellaneous administration (Fire Prevention Week materials, Award for fireman of the year, etc.)		1,000
Uniforms for new firemen		200
Contingencies		675
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Total		\$7,450

Note:

This does not include the proposed new fire hall (low bid)	\$56,000
Materials to complete interior	6,000
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Would like to purchase used fire truck (capital expenditure) if we happen to run up on one that is appropriate for estimated \$45,000

