

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Eva Town Council held on November 12, 1996, at 7:30 p.m. in the Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Livingston, C. C. Mosteller, James Fowler, Clarence Alexander, Larry Smith, and Bert Collins. Guest: Eloise Livingston, Eva Library Board.

After roll call, Mr. Fowler opened with prayer. Mr. Fowler made motion to dispense reading minutes until hear from guests, Mr. Mosteller second, carried.

Eloise Livingston, Eva Public Library, advised that a new program is in place at the library. The American Girl for ages 7 - 12 with 20 enrolled will be hands-on crafts and the proper way of serving at tea parties. Mrs. Livingston advised that there will be a tea party for the public and hoped that the council will attend. She also advised that an additional heater is needed to heat the library because the librarians are cold. In addition, she suggested the best place would be in the center on the north wall with a blower so that it would circulate. Mr. Alexander advised that is the place that council wanted to install the heater last year but was told it could not be put in that location since the circulation desk is there. Mayor also advised that the heater could not be put in that location. After discussion, Mayor advised that he would ask Keith Lindsey of L & N Mechanical to look at the situation and advise at this point what to do and a cost.

After reading the minutes, Mr. Collins made motion to approve minutes of regular meeting October 7, Mr. Mosteller second, carried. Mr. Fowler made motion to approve minutes of organizational meeting of October 7, Mr. Collins second, carried. Mr. Alexander made motion to approve minutes of October 26, Mr. Smith second, carried.

FINANCE & EDUCATION - MR. MOSTELLER

Mr. Mosteller advised that he had no financial report since he was so new in the position of councilman.

Mayor advised that Eva Automotive was completely destroyed by fire on November 10, 1996, soot from the fire is on the north side of the Library roof next to the tire shop. Clerk called Cullman Insurance Agency which has policy for owner and operator. She was advised by representative they did not know how it would be handled since two different policy holders are involved but she would make record of the information for the claims adjuster.

Mayor advised that Hartselle Medical Center signed the ownership agreement over to Town of Eva and removed some items from trailer per the agreement. They will make one more trip for the remaining items. After lengthy discussion concerning leasing -- council agreed that it should not be leased to any company or business that would have large equipment, construction equipment, or any vehicle or equipment of that nature around the office that would be unsightly for the nearby churchs, cemetery, and town hall.

Mayor also advised that according to recent articles in the newspaper, Blue-Cross-Blue Shield Insurance Company will not take on any new medical clinics. Mr. Smith made suggestion to lease it to Jim Turner, dentist in Eva, until council knows what is facts on Blue Cross. Mayor will discuss with David Loving of Hartselle Medical Center as to the date they will remove the rest of their items and then contact Dr. Turner concerning using the recent medical office for the practice.

Mayor advised council that repairs for the copier would be a minimum of \$500.00 and it is approximately ten years old. Copy Fax of Cullman will allow \$175.00 (they will still have to repair the old one if sold or only sell for parts) toward a new copier. Balance to purchase a new Ricoh # 3213 would be apprx. \$1500.00 Since the town now owns the copier from the old medical clinic it might have some trade value

also. Mr. Mosteller made motion to purchase the new copier with trade allowance of \$175.00 for present copier plus any allowance on the copier from medical office, Mr. Collins second, carried.

Mayor advised that payment due on fire department equipment by December 13. Since the CD is due to mature prior to next council meeting a motion is needed to transfer the funds to make loan payment. Mr. Mosteller made motion to transfer CD at time of maturity to make loan payment on equipment, Mr. Smith second, carried.

UTILITIES - MR. ALEXANDER

Mr. Alexander advised that Mr. Smith will check on the possibility of exchange the new a/c unit not used in dentist office for a gas heater to go in the library.

Mr. Alexander also reported that several security lights are going off at the walking trail and he will contact William Neal to check for electrical problems. In addition, he mentioned that the Lion's Club and ~~Eva Art Guild~~ is interested in placing lights around the trail. Mayor will ask Mr. Neal to submit an estimate for a cost to install lights on the trail.

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Mr. Alexander also mentioned that George Spear was elected Chairman, Cullman County Commission. During the celebration speech made the statement that he will everything possible to replace 2" water lines on Patton Road in Eva. Mr. Alexander will discuss this matter after Mr. Spear goes into office and also discuss with William Sacra of Cullman Water Dept.

Mayor advised that he talked with Steve Oden of Joe Wheeler, EMC why metal poles are being installed in Eva. Mr. Oden advised they still need five acres on Eva Road for a sub-station preferable between Eva and Oden Ridge. After a discussion for possible location in the Industrial Park, Mayor will discuss again with Mr. Oden of Joe Wheeler, EMC.

STREETS, PARKS, & CEMETERIES - MR. FOWLER

Mr. Fowler thinks Mr. Deese is ready to make the streets in the sub-division to Morgan County Specs. Mayor suggested that Mr. Fowler present Mr. Deese with a copy of the letter from Bob Woodruff, Engineer for Morgan County. Mayor and Mr. Fowler will meet with Jean Deese the next day, Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. in Eva Town Hall.

Mr. Fowler also mentioned that a turn lane is much needed at Jack's Foodland. He also advised that Mr. Hopper thinks that federal funds can be obtained for this project - maybe the council could do some of the leg work and keep down cost and possibly the county assisting. Mayor advised that the rough estimate for this project is \$140,000. Don Stisher, newly elected commissioner for District #3 has advised he will help any way possible.

Mr. Fowler also asked about placing the heaters at park concession bathrooms. He advised that doors need to be locked including the gate. Mr. Collins will get keys from C. J. Mooney so it can be done.

POLICE & FIRE - MR. SMITH

Mr. Smith advised that Morgan County Sheriff's Dept. held open house for the new sub-station located next to First Commercial Bank on November 2 adding that it was a good turn out being so cold that day. He added that several fireman has received certification or recertification. Mayor added that he had taken the EMT 24 hour course that is required to be certified but was not allowed to do the procedures involved on victims.

Mayor advised that town had received a renewed police contract from Morgan County Commission supplying a deputy through Morgan County Sheriff's Dept. Time on contract is October 1, 1996, until September 20, 1997. After discussion, Mr. Smith made motion for Mayor to enter contract to renew police security for Town of Eva, Mr. Fowler second, carried.

RECREATION & SANITATION - MR. COLLINS

Mr. Collins advised that new field lines are being installed at Ross' Corner. Tim & Susan South is opening a food mart, game room, and beauty shop. He added that the Morgan County Health Dept. has approved the installation. In addition, Mr. Collins advised that there has been complaints about septic leak at G. C. Childers' building again. Mayor advised that he told at MCEDA meeting town has not been contacted concerning sewer project.

PETITION, REQUESTS, COMPLAINTS, APPEALS, COMMUNC., ETC.

Mayor advised that Morgan County Sheriff Dept. will keep close check on Joe's Private Club.

Mayor also advised that president of First Bank of Eva, Russell Harbison, has requested to rent a facility for the bank to use only in case of emergency for an office. Mayor suggested Old Town Hall since the church does not meet during the day. After discussion, Mr. Fowler made motion for Mayor to enter an agreement with First Bank of Eva to use Old Town Hall for use in case of an emergency, Mr. Mosteller second, carried. Mr. Fowler added that some siding is rotten on the Old Town Hall and needs repair.

AUDITING ACCOUNTS - TRANSFER OF FUNDS

Mr. Fowler made motion to transfer funds into GTF \$.07 to pay bills, Mr. Collins second, carried. Mr. Alexander made motion to pay bills, Mr. Mosteller second, carried.

ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, & OTHER BUSINESS

Mayor advised that Ordinance #1 (2) as amended, pertaining to council procedures needs to be amended to read Code of Alabama, 1975. After discussion concerning meeting time for winter months since 7:30 p.m. is so late, Mr. Collins made motion to meet at 6:30 p.m., November 1 - April 30, and 7:30 p.m., May 1 - October 31, Mr. Smith, second, carried.

Mayor advised a company that refurbishes x-ray equipment might be interested in a site at the Industrial Park.

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

Approved

12/10/96

Attest:

Eva Town Clerk