

Minutes of meeting of Eva Town Council held in regular session on May 9, 1991, at 7:00 p.m., with Councilmen Nichols, Page, Collins, Morgan and Livingston present. Also present were Jasper Jones representing Eva School and Sheriff Steve Crabbe and Tom Little. Gary Driver present representing Eva Activities Assoc.

Meeting was chaired by Council President Charles Nichols and was opened with prayer by Mr. Page. Motion by Mr. Livingston, second by Mr. Collins (carried) to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes until we hear from our visitors.

Eva School - Jasper Jones -

On behalf of the faculty and students, Mr. Jones expressed his appreciation of the support that the Town of Eva has given the school in the past. He stated Eva has contributed appx. \$20,000 each year in the past. Due to proration, Eva School will have to cut 5 teachers (appx. \$100,000). Mr. Jones stated he plans to dispense with all programs except those basic programs required by the State; however, this will still severely cripple the school. Mr. Jones asked the Council to consider a budget of \$30,000 for next year's contribution to the school. This will enable him to pay for 1 teacher and 1 P.E. aide. He asked that we let him know of the decision by May 14, if possible, as he has to meet with the County Board on the night of May 14. Motion by Mr. Page, second by Mr. Livingston (carried) to table this item until the Council can further discuss.

Gary Driver - Eva Activities -

Gary expressed appreciation for everything the Council has done at the Park. Things are looking good. Eva Activities has had a fund raiser to help meet some of the expenses. They are still trying to work out some solution on getting the grass cut.

Sheriff Crabbe & Tom Little -

Sheriff presented several proposals (on file) for the Council to look over. He will give the proposals to the Morgan County Commission during their work session tomorrow for their consideration at the Commission meeting on Monday. Council will further discuss these proposals after word from the Commission's decision. Mr. Nichols gave Sheriff a copy of the Ordinances concerning speed limits and parking. Sheriff will begin to enforce these ordinances as soon as signs are in place. Ordinances officially become effective May 30, 1991. Sheriff stated "dummy car" has been taken back to the shop due to vandalism. Sheriff updated the Council on current progress. He stated the Commissioners have donated a 16' trailer with compartments for the road crews to use for recycling as they pick up the road sides. They have also applied for a Drug Grant and if this receives approval, a possible database could be installed through the County for next year. This grant will also enable hiring of more Personnel. Hartselle, Decatur, District Attorney's Office and the County Commission has promised help to match the Grant if it is approved.

Old Business:

1. Recreation Park Status:
  - a) Walking Trail - Clerk has had several calls about grass on and around trail needing cut. Council agreed to wait a few weeks to see if we can find a Senior Aide to help with this problem.
  - b) Horseshoe Pits - Mayor has spoke with the Henderson's and we should have some plans ready shortly.
  - c) Concession Building - Septic Tank is installed. Power line trench dug and concrete pad completed ready for Joe Wheeler. Building not quite complete due to weather.
  - d) Grant for '91-'92 - Hearing held at Senior Center. Clerk working on new park layout, plans and cost estimates. Funding cycle begins in September or October.
  - e) Lights - Eva Activities will meet with the County Commission to request assistance. Mr. Nichols asked the Council to consider funding the lighting over the next 5 years, should the Commission not respond to the request for help.
2. Senior Center:
  - a) Shelves & Sink - still have not been installed.
  - b) Leak Repair - no work has begun yet.
  - c) Saddle Club & Woodmen Lodge request to use Senior Center building - Clerk spoke with League Attorney and he advised that in order for a group to be considered non-profit, they must have (or have applied for) IRS Form 501-3C Non-profit status. Clerk has advised each group that a copy of this must be on file shortly in order for them to meet without a charge.
3. Industrial Park:
  - a) East Morgan IDA meeting - still no response from previous meeting.
  - b) Sewer System - Mayor and Clerk met with Watkins Eng. on May 6. Mr. Dixon will begin drawing plans, etc., to present to Council at a special meeting.
  - c) Mayor still meeting with Tommy Roberts/IDA and prospective industry. Meetings have been going very positive.
4. Letter for Ala. Municipal Insurance Corp. - price quote should be ready within the next 2 weeks.
5. County-wide Clean-up - Completed. Appx. 125 people picked up in the Eva and surrounding area on April 19 & 20.
6. Road Signs - Clerk has ordered sign from County Eng. These signs need to be up so new ordinances can be enforced.
7. Library - Heating & Cooling System - Mayor to speak with Frost Construction and report findings.
8. Senior Aide Program - Clerk met with Susan Gamble/NARCOG. Need applicants as money is available through June 30, 1991. Clerk asked everyone to help find a person qualified to fill this position.
9. Doctor's Clinic Repairs - Steps & Carpet - Ezra Drinkard has been contacted to do work.

10. Eva Jr. High School - Gwen Sanders/FHA - Clerk contacted Attorney General's Opinion Office and received information that we can appropriate funds for this request if the request comes through the school and has their support. No request has been received to date.
11. Dentist's Office - Termite Control - Clerk contacted Dentist. He stated he is not financially able to pay for termite treatment as he is trying to get together enough money to pay his income tax. He asked if we were going to have the pine tree cut. After discussion, Council agreed that the Dentist's position needs to be discussed further in the near future.
12. Motion by Mr. Collins, second by Mr. Page (carried) to approve Ordinance 90-1 (2) (As Amended). (concerning lease of Old Town Hall.)
13. Cemetery:  
Mr. Livingston met with several people from the Church Committee to discuss any problems. They would like to wait about putting up any kind of fence and will talk with family members concerning the problem. Council agreed to table this discussion until further notification from Committee.

New Business:

1. Fire Department - Chief Holmes requests to hire someone at \$5.00/hr. to spray week killer around fire hydrants. Motion by Mr. Page, second by Mr. Livingston (carried) to wait at least 2 weeks before acting on this request to see if we can find a Senior Aide.
2. Joe Hill's request for annexation: Clerk has begun paperwork concerning annexation request. Should have ready for next Council meeting.
3. Mowing for Town Property - Horace Shaver is now doing all mowing that Mr. Millwood was previously doing. He requests \$45.00 per mowing (an increase from \$30.00 last year). Council asked Clerk to contact him and obtain pricing without cutting old Town Hall as that will be the renter's responsibility.
4. Motion by Mr. Collins, second by Mr. Morgan (carried) to approve April 11, 1991, minutes as written.

Motion by Mr. Page, second by Mr. Livingston (carried) to approve April 18, 1991, minutes as written.


Motion by Mr. Morgan, second by Mr. Page (carried) to approve April 30, 1991, minutes as written.

Motion to pay bills and transfer funds as requested by Mr. Collins, second by Mr. Page (carried).

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Page, second by Mr. Collins (carried).

Approved: 6-13-91

ATTEST:

  
Eva Town Clerk