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Work Session  
March 4, 2026

Minutes of work session of Eva Town Council was held on 4 March at 5:30PM at Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Kent Chambers, Council Members, Martin Nelson, Wes Stephens, Ron Ryan, Teri Bailey, Shelia Dudley, Kim Cryer Town Clerk, Alex Baker Assistant Clerk; Guest: Vaughn Goodwin

- Mayor Chambers called the meeting to order. Mayor Chambers then introduced Vaughn Goodwin, Mayor of Trinity. Vaughn Goodwin announced that he is running for district 1 commission. He said that he believes he has a lot to offer and feels like he can make a difference and that is the reason he decided to run. He thanked the Mayor/Council for letting him come out tonight and hope to have their vote.
- Councilmember Ryan discussed RSA retirement and said that Joe Hill agreed to opt out of RSA retirement if Council agrees to let him keep RSA 1 retirement and add an additional \$2.00 per hour worked making it a total of \$4.00 per hour worked for his one-time pay adjustment that the town gives the employees to contribute to his RSA 1 retirement. The Council discussed that they liked that idea and that the Town lawyer will have to draw up a contract for employees to opt out as well as amending the ordinance to read that the one-time pay adjustment will be guaranteed and not contingent on funds in the contingency fund.
- Councilmember Ryan discussed insurance and said that he has talked to other towns about what they have. He said that most other towns have the same insurance and their towns pay 100% of their employees' insurance and 85% of their family insurance, except for a few. Mayor Chambers said to get all the information into a spreadsheet and then we'll look into it more.
- Councilmember Ryan said that he met with Jeff Frost and that they discussed the specs for the library addition. Councilmember Nelson said that he thinks the Town needs to get together and have more plans going forward when getting quotes. He said that we need someone to draw up plans for us instead of whoever we ask to give us a quote to tell us what we need. The Mayor and Council discussed that they like that idea that we will look at seeing who we can get to draw plans for the town.
- Councilmember Bailey said she spoke with the county engineer about the speed limit ordinance, and he told her that ALDOT sets the speed limits on those roads and if we wanted to set the speed limits, the Town would have to take responsibility for those roads. The Mayor and Council discussed that it would not be a good idea to do

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that and that we just need to redact that ordinance since there is nothing we can do about the speed limits on those roads.

- Mayor Chambers asked the council if any of them would like to attend the State Convention April 28-May 1. The council all said that they would look at their schedules and see if they could.
- Mayor Chambers discussed that Joyce Woodall and Julie Mooney want to go to 20 hours a week permanently and asked council their thoughts on that. Council discussed that if they put them at 20 hours a week, they would then be eligible for RSA retirement and that Councilmember Ryan will have to talk to them to see if they will opt out of RSA retirement.
- Councilmember Bailey discussed that she got two quotes to run more power to the maintenance building. The first quote from L&N Electrical is \$4,759, the second quote is from Truss Electric, and it is \$3,120. Council discussed that they all think the quote from Truss Electric is the better route and will discuss it further at the council meeting next week.
- Councilmember Bailey said that there are three streetlights out in town that need to be fixed and gave Kimberly Cryer, Town Clerk, the list so that we can reach out to Joe Wheeler. Councilmember Bailey said that she wants to get a streetlight installed in front of Taylor George's building beside the park. Council said that they would discuss it further at the council meeting next week and vote on it then.
- Mayor Chambers opened discussions about having the flags up year-round. Assistant Clerk, Alex Baker, said that someone in the town asked if council would continue to keep the flags up around town from Memorial Day until the snowflakes go up for Christmas. The council discussed that they all think we should continue to do that.
- Councilmember Dudley discussed she got 3 quotes for the concrete pad at the park. The first quote from Brad Turrentine is \$2,200 for a 12x20 pad and this quote requires Mikey Caudle and Joe Hill to do a lot of the work themselves. The second quote from Sanchez is \$1600 and all that is required is for Mikey Caudle and Joe Hill to bring over the rock that is needed from the sewer plant. The third quote from Spicer is \$1600 and this quote requires the town to pay for the concrete and for Joe Hill and Mikey Caudle to do some of the work.
- Mayor Chambers discussed sealing/stripping the basketball court and the parking lots at the park. He said it has been about 2 years since we got them done and

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opened discussion about what the council thought. The council all agreed it would be a good idea to get some quotes on this project.

- Councilmember Dudley discussed that some of the people in the town have trouble seeing at the pickleball courts when the lights are on due to them shining in their eyes. The council discussed reaching out to Joe Wheeler and seeing if this is something they could do and to get a quote from them.
- Mayor Chambers discussed the sewer grant and opened it up for discussion. Town Clerk Kimberly Cryer said that it had been turned in and that she had emailed Senator Britt, Tuberville, Orr, along with a few others to get letters of support for this grant. Mayor Chambers thanked Kim Cryer and Alex Baker for all they have done to get this grant ready and turned in.
- Mayor Chambers discussed that he and Councilmember Ryan met with the library to discuss the library addition. He said that the friends of the library pledged \$10,000 to go towards the addition and that they want to incase the stairs inside the addition along with the lift.
- Mayor Chambers opened the discussion for the medical building lease. The council all said they would look over the medical lease and discuss it more in detail at the next work session.
- Mayor Chambers announced that he is looking at hiring a part time employee to help mow this summer, if any of them had any recommendations to let him know.
- Mayor Chambers discussed partnering with the Film Commission and sending back the information they requested about Eva.
- Town Clerk, Kim Cryer, said that she reached out about a fitness park grant and that we have a meeting with them next week to get more information on it.
- Town Clerk, Kim Cryer, discussed the background check information from ALEA, Know My Hire, and Quick Scores. The council discussed they all liked the Know My Hire package the best but wanted to reach out to Shawn Dailey to get more information from the county.
- Town Clerk, Kim Cryer, discussed that she revised the mitigation plan and it has been sent off.



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- Councilmember Dudley said that she received a quote from Caleb Thornberry for a disconnect to the field lights but was going to reach out and get more information about what it is for.
- Councilmember Dudley said that Kyle is looking at putting native flowers up at the park and is willing to help with grants to do it.
- Councilmember Dudley said that she spoke with Jeff Frost, and he said the fans and louvers came in and that he will try to get them installed next week.

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Mayor Kent Chambers

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