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Work Session
May 4, 2026

Minutes of work session of Eva Town Council was held on 4 May at 5:30PM at Eva Town Hall. Present: Mayor Kent Chambers, Council Members, Martin Nelson, Wes Stephens, Ron Ryan, Shelia Dudley, Alex Baker Assistant Clerk.

- Mayor Chambers called the meeting to order.
- Councilmember Ryan discussed the library addition. He stated that he talked with the architect, Angela England, and asked her to do a sketch to enclose the porch area and make it a storage room. He said that he thinks that a porch is more maintenance and upkeep in the long run and more storage would better benefit the library. He then stated that he discussed with the architect doing hardie board instead of brick to help with the cost. The council discussed that they liked this sketch and plan to have it on the agenda for the upcoming council meeting. Mayor Chambers said that we received the service agreement earlier today, and as we stand right now, we owe ABSmith Architecture \$11,250 and once it is signed, we must pay 25% of that upfront. Mayor Chambers also stated that we could choose the option to let ABSmith Architecture handle the bidding process for us, for an additional \$2,000.
- Councilmember Ryan stated that we are still waiting to get the case study back from RSA.
- Councilmember Ryan discussed employee insurance. He handed out some papers to the council with a few options. The council discussed that they all like the local.gov option paying 100% of employees' portion and 85% of the family portion. The council discussed getting any questions to Councilmember Ryan by the end of the week and will discuss it more at the next work session.
- Mayor Chambers stated that he asked Councilmember Bailey to come up with some ideas to make the 4-way stop safer.
- Councilmember Dudley discussed the quote to have the lights that are out at the ballfields fixed. The quote is \$8,400 to get the ballast replaced for the sodium lights to work. She stated that we also got some prices to go ahead and replace it with LED lights. Alex Baker, Assistant Clerk, said that the estimate to get the supplies needed to make the pole LED would be around \$10,000. Councilmember Dudley said that she would like to start replacing what goes out with LED lights instead of spending money to replace them with sodium lights. The council discussed that they thought

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it would be a good idea to do so. Councilmember Dudley said she wanted to research it some more and look for some grant opportunities to help with the cost.

- Councilmember Dudley stated she went and checked to see if there had been any progress at the batting cages with the louvers and lights and that nothing had been done. Mayor Chambers said that he would reach out to Jeff Frost.
- Councilmember Stephens discussed the Memorial Day Ceremony and said that he was in the process of working out all the details. Councilmember Dudley said that she would ask a girl that attends her church if she would be willing to sing. Councilmember Stephens said that the town still has some bags left over from last year to hand out to Veterans and wanted to get some small flags to go along with them.
- Mayor Chambers discussed the quote for a LED sign at Town Hall. The quote is \$14,000 for a 36x72 sign. The council discussed reaching out to the company and seeing about adding a sign for the Volunteer Fire Department and a referral for a church in town and seeing if there is possibly a bundle/referral discount.
- Councilmember Stephens announced that he completely fixed and programmed the eastside school flashing sign, but the westside sign will need to be repaired. Mayor Chambers said that he spoke with Tracie Turrentine, superintendent, and she said that the school board would cover the cost to have the signs fixed. Mayor Chambers said he would reach out to her and let her know that one has been fixed, but the other still needs repaired.
- Mayor Chambers discussed that he met with a man from the Littrell Sawmill and he is wanting to expand. He needs 5 foot easements to run more power for this expansion. Mayor Chambers said that the only person he is waiting to hear back from is Pat Nelson. Mayor Chambers stated that the expansion will not be within the town limits, but it would still bring more revenue into the town by bringing more employees to the area to spend money in the town.
- Councilmember Stephens discussed that he spoke with his neighbor and got a quote to pressure wash the playground equipment at the park. The quote is \$500 to have this done. Councilmember Stephens said he reached back out to him to see if he would be willing to let him borrow his equipment and do the job himself, he is just waiting to hear back from him. Mayor Chambers said he is willing to pressure wash the equipment as well.



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- Councilmember Dudley stated that we will need to cover the end of the new drainpipe at the ballfields to keep children off/in it.
- Mayor Chambers discussed that he is getting a quote from a company to make the playground surface ADA compliant. He said that the company told him there are two options, we can get a rubber surface or an astroturf surface. Mayor Chambers said it could very well be out of our price range, but he wanted to see our options.

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