

Minutes from the Commission Meeting held on

October 3, 1989

The October meeting of the Englewood Board of Commissioners convened at 7:30 p.m. on October 3, 1989. After a call to order by the Mayor, a moment of silence was observed.

Response to roll call was as follows: Armstrong-Here, Brown-Here, Cass-Here, Conner-Here, Long-Here.

Jim Derrick, a dentist from Chattanooga, came before the Commission to inquire about the possibility of the Englewood community providing a building or equipment to bring a dentist to this area. He stated that he had hearted through dental supply group of this possibility. The Board then informed him that this information might have to come through the Englewood Lion's Club and suggested that he contact the administrator of Woods Memorial Hospital.

Bill Marshall was present to ask if the Board had given consideration to his getting sewage. Armstrong stated that the money available had been borrowed from FmHA and that they must approve the spending of any funds. Marshall stated that the last time he had a chance to receive sewer, he was asked to pay the bill on the pump and he refused. Commissioner Cass then stated that he sympathized with Mr. Marshall's problem as he lived inside the city and neighbors have sewer and he doesn't. He stated that he is also within 100' of existing sewer. Marshall then asked if there were any alternatives. The Recorder then stated that he could show him where the tap was at the top of the road. Marshall stated that this would be a start and if he can get an easement this might be the way to go.

Ollie Brown, Nutrition Director of the Englewood Senior Citizen Center was present to request that the seniors be allowed to use the community center every third Tuesday night for fund raising. She stated that it had been a conflict with the Boy Scouts. A motion was then made by Cass and seconded by Armstrong to allow the Senior Citizens to use the Community Center every third Tuesday and that the Boy Scouts could use the city hall assembly room or the library if needed. All ayes.

The recorder then questioned the Board on what policy they would like to establish concerning the adding of gas customers as to the charge for running service lines and other expenses for gas. It was stated that the city should not lose money on service taps and that a policy would be established concerning this. He then stated that he would work with the city attorney to develop a plan for water and gas.

Commissioner Armstrong then commented that he would like to give customers some incentive to add on the system. For an example, he stated that Lee Robinson and Jack McKinney had property just outside the city that they would like to have water to. City Attorney Jeff Cunningham then stated that there was a difference between extending a line for a customer and water hook-ups after the extension. Recorder Goodin informed

the Board that plans of this type would have to be drawn up by an engineer and approved by the State. Armstrong then stated that he felt that the city should offer the engineering fee to the developer to encourage addition of new customers. A citizen then questioned the reason for charging an inside city engineering fee and not charging outside city engineering fees to customers.

Commissioner Cass then stated that he felt that it was more feasible to expand the gas system than the water as all cities were doing as more income is from gas than water. He also said that the Board's main concern should be to look after inside city customers.

Mayor Conner then brought the matter of a gas rate increase before the Board. A motion was made by Armstrong to raise the gas rates back up to those in effect in April. A second was made by Long. Upon roll call, the following votes were registered: Armstrong-Aye, Brown-Aye, Conner-Aye, Long-Aye, Cass-No.

Commissioner Armstrong then informed the commission that concerning the paving to be done in the city, Asphalt Concepts had informed the Recorder that they were extremely busy but would try to get over.

The Mayor then presented a map from the planning Commission that asked the Board to consider the rezoning of the property that begins at Shady Grove lane to the old Zion Hill Road from residential to commercial. The Board was not in agreement with the proposal and a motion was made by Armstrong and seconded by Brown to send the proposal back to the Planning Commission for further work. All ayes.

The Mayor then stressed the fact that the ban on leaf burning in ditches must be enforced. A question was then raised asking if the city would pick up the leaves. The reply was that the leaves would be picked by the garbage crew if they were bagged. Office personnel were instructed to place notice in the paper concerning the ban on burning leaves in ditches.

The mayor then entertained a motion in support of the following resolution:

A motion was then made by Brown and seconded by Armstrong to adopt the foregoing resolution. All ayes.

Bill Marshall then stated that he was concerned about the habit of the town's volunteer firemen running red lights and jumping the railroad tracks. He was told that they cannot drive in a reckless manner and that the chief should be able to control this.

A motion was then made by Commissioner Cass that a copy of all correspondence pertaining to the City should be made available to all the commissioners for their review. The motion was seconded by Armstrong. All ayes.

Because of the requirement by the State that each municipality adopt a water conservation policy, the Recorder presented the following resolution:

A motion was then made by Brown to adopt the foregoing resolution. The motion was seconded by Armstrong. Upon roll call, ayes were registered for Armstrong, Brown, Conner, and Long. A dissenting vote was registered by Cass as he stated that he had not read the resolution.

A motion by Brown to adjourn was duly seconded b Armstrong. All ayes. The meeting was adjourned.

Wanda F. Conner
Mayor

C.A. Goodin
Recorder

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood was not held due to lack of quorum for the month of November, 1989.

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