## Minutes from the Commission Meeting held on

## January 6, 1997

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of Englewood met in regular session, Monday, January 6, 1997 at 6:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room at City Hall.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Simpson with Commissioners Davis, Raper, Brock, and Middleton present. Invocation was given by Commissioner Davis.

Motion was made by Middleton, seconded by Brock to accept the December minutes. All ayes.

Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Middleton to pass the 1997 HOME Program Grant Resolution. All ayes.

The Board then discussed a water leak at the Barbara Culberson residence. A motion was passed at the October 1996 meeting of the Board of Commissioners to install a water tap at Ms. Culberson's residence at city cost. Due to weather conditions this tap had not been made when the recent leak occurred. Due to the tap not being made at this time, motion was made by Middleton, seconded by Brock to adjust Ms. Culberson's water bill based on the previous ten months usage, excusing the September and August bills due to water leak. Motion was seconded by Brock. All ayes.

Motion was made by Davis, seconded by Middleton to have Arnett Heating and Air installed a damper at City Hall in the amount of \$250.00. All ayes.

The Board then discussed installing a recording system in the Assembly Room at City Hall. Commissioner Davis was asked to obtain cost estimates for a system.

Concerning the Water Contract with the City of Etowah, Mayor Simpson stated that the contract needed to be opened up for renegotiation in areas that are equitable for the future of Englewood.

Commissioner Davis stated that he wanted what was best for Englewood. Davis said that he thought that the contract was binding and that he had doubts about whether Etowah would be willing to renegotiate.

Commissioner Middleton stated that we had to consider Englewood's bond indebtedness and upkeep of the system. He stated that the contract calls for Englewood to help pay for Etowah's infrastructure.

Resident Billie Koppa was present. Ms. Koppa asked who had signed such a contract?

Motion was made by Middleton to renegotiate the Water Contract with the City of Etowah. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Brock. Davis-Nay, Raper-Aye, Brock-Aye, Middleton-Aye, Simpson-Aye.

The Board then discussed needing more security at the Eureka Plant due to recent problems concerning the building being broken into. The Board instructed Police Chief Cooley and Maintenance Supervisor Steve Long to secure the area with barriers and to have a locksmith change locks.

The position of Codes Enforcement Officer was then discussed by the Board. It was discussed that this should be left to the advice of the city's attorney.

The Mayor then informed the Board that a public hearing would be held at 5:00 p.m. the following Monday, January 13, 1996 in the Assembly Room at City Hall concerning the update of the Municipal Code Book.

Motion was made by Middleton, seconded by Brock to accept monthly billing errors in the amount of \$136.08. All ayes.

The following proposals were presented to the Board:

Present water rate: \$5.00---1st 2500 gallons

3.16---@ 1000 gallons

Present sewer rate; \$6.66---1st 2500 gallons

2.80---@ 1000 gallons

Projected sewer rate: 140% of current water rate:

\$7.00---1st 2500 gallons 4.42---@ 1000 gallons

# of sewer customers x \$42.44 (minimum @ year)

<u>x 12</u> \$50,928.00 (minimum @ year) (@ 1000 gallons) <u>70,702.32 (per year)</u> (\$5891.86 per month)

## <u>Proposal B:</u>

Sewer Revenue----\$88,000.00

Sewer Plant Expenditures----\$44,050.00

Sewer Collection-----\$11,100.00 Total ---- 55,150.00 Total Bond Indebtedness per year----\$58,032.00

Total Sewer Expenditures: \$113,182.00

Deficit: \$25,182.00----22% difference

_	Old Rate	<u>Increase</u>
Minimum Charge	\$6.66	\$8.12
Rate @ 1000 gallons	2.80	3.42

<u>Proposal C:</u> To do nothing

Motion was made by Middleton, seconded by Brock to accept Proposal A. All ayes.

Motion was made by Middleton, seconded by Brock to have State Planner Mike Lucas to do an annexation study of Green Acres and the area where the new Lions Club building is located. All ayes.

Steve Long asked that the Board allow the meter reader to drive the old city utility truck when reading outlying areas such as Cumberland Hills, Route 4 Hwy 411 South and Route 2-Cochran Cemetery area. The Board stated that this would be no problem.

Motion was made by Middleton, seconded by Davis to allow the Fire Department to burn two houses located adjacent to the Eureka Garment Building. All ayes.

Motion was made by Middleton, seconded by Brock to adjourn the meeting. All ayes.

Edward Simpson Deborah Morgan\_\_\_\_\_ Mayor Recorder