The Englewood Board of Commissioners met in a special called meeting on Monday October 17, 2016 at 6:00 PM. The meeting was held in the Community Center Room inside the Municipal Building.

#### Call to Order

Mayor James Cox called the meeting to order.

#### Roll Call

Richard Clowers did roll call with Commissioners Gene Coleman, Buford Hackler, Jason Hitt, Shawn Martin, and Mayor James Cox present.

## <u>Invocation</u>

Commissioner Hitt gave invocation.

## Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda:

#### **New Business**

#### Item A. Drug Task Force

This item was skipped.

#### Item B. Chief Police - New Budget

This item was skipped.

#### Item C. Shawn Martin Removed from Checks - Put Buford Hackler & Gene Coleman On

Mayor James Cox said that they were going to make some changes. He said that he wants to remove Shawn Martin from check signing ability and put Buford Hackler and Gene Coleman on. Coleman made a motion. Martin said that he was just voted to be on the checks the previous month, and he was on the agenda to be removed for no apparent reason. He said that he thought it was the "Good Ole Boy" system in action. Commissioner Hackler seconded the vote. Mayor Cox said that he thirds the vote and Coleman said that's unnecessary. Commissioners Coleman, Hackler, and Mayor Cox were in favor with Hitt and Martin voting no.

The signers on all checking accounts will be Alison Bull, James Cox, Gene Coleman, and Buford Hackler.

# Item D: Citizens Bank - Name Change on CD's

Mayor Cox said that there are accounts at Citizens Banks and the names needed to be changed on them. Coleman said we need to talk about changing all of our accounts to People's in the future, but that he makes a motion to change the signers. Hackler seconded it. All Ayes.

The signers on all savings accounts and CD's will be Alison Bull, James Cox, Gene Coleman, and Buford Hackler.

# Item E. Take Shawn Off of Planning Commission and Put Gene Coleman On

Hackler made a motion to remove Shawn Martin from the Planning Commission and to put Gene Coleman on. Coleman seconded. Hackler, Cox, and Coleman in favor; Hitt and Martin were opposed.

## Item F. Why is Jamie paid \$23.50 per hr.

This item was skipped.

## Item G. Replace Town Manager

Coleman said that even though Joe Cline wasn't present, he made a motion to terminate Joe Cline's job as town manager effective immediately. Hackler seconded. Clowers did a roll call with Commissioners Coleman, Hackler, Cox and Hitt in approval and Martin voted no.

Cox said that he wanted to vote in a new town manager. Coleman said that he makes a motion to make Bob Cass the new Town Manager. Martin suggested that the job be posted for the town manager position for a certain amount of time before the decision is made. Hackler said that it would be advertised later on, but that it had been posted for a week. Martin said there wasn't even a vacancy at that time. Hackler said there is a vacancy. Martin said that it *just* became vacant. Hitt said that legally the position had to be posted. Coleman said that they needed a new town manager. Martin said they need to advertise it. Coleman said "No, we don't need to." Martin said that it was his opinion and he was entitled to it. Coleman said no, he wasn't, and made the motion again to hire Bob Cass. Hackler Seconded it. Clowers did a roll call with Commissioners Coleman, Hackler, Hitt and Mayor Cox voting yes and Martin voting no.

Hitt said that he wanted to open the floor up for discussion. Coleman asked for any comments and said that he doesn't want a two or three hour meeting again. Coleman said that he came to the decision on his own without speaking to any other commissioners. Martin asked if the three of them had been outside discussing it. Hackler said they stopped at the park to smoke when Bob came up. Martin said that they were at the park discussing it. Hackler asked if he meant that they were talking about the town managers. Martin showed the board pictures of the three of them in a discussion. Martin said that it's odd how they were together and then all of a sudden they chose Bob Cass to be town manager, and supposedly had never discussed it. Coleman said that there are a lot of things that he disagrees with but follows them because that's Englewood's policy. He then asked if they could adjourn

#### Item H. Adjournment

Coleman made a motion to adjourn. Hackler seconded. All Ayes.

James Cox

Mayor

Alison Bull

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City Recorder