

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Workshop**  
**March 17, 2009**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**  
**6:00 p.m.**

Council Members Present: Councilor Kuoppala, Councilor Kallevig, Councilor Koivunen, Councilor Hoag, Mayor Matos

**1. Jennifer Pontinen, Center for Economic Development**

Jennifer Pontinen, Business Consultant for the Center for Economic Development, gave a presentation to the Council regarding services she offers to potential and existing small business owners. The services are free and confidential. The program exists by funding through donations. Pontinen asked that the City Council approve a resolution of support. She will be approaching the Eveleth EDA with a monetary donation request.

**2. Stimulus Money for Water and Wastewater Projects**

Public Works Director Wiskow informed the Council that stimulus funding will be broken down to a 5% grant and a 95% loan. He requested the Council add the following items to the Agenda:

- J12. Adopt the Grant & Park Avenue Corridor Sewer Improvement Facility Plan
- J13. Authorize staff to submit a request to the MPCA for priority scoring and placement on the Clean Water Revolving Fund Project List for stimulus funding, for the Grant & Park Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project
- J14. Authorize staff and Benchmark Engineering to call for quotations for cleaning and televising the remaining sanitary sewer lines on Grant & Park Avenue
- J15. Authorize staff to submit a request to the MN Department of Health for priority scoring and placement on the Drinking Water Revolving Fund Project Priority List for stimulus funding, for the Reconditioning of the 2,000,000 Gallon Ground Storage Reservoir and the Grant & Park Avenue Water Replacement projects.

**3. Grant Opportunities**

Chief Lillis discussed applying for the federal Byrne Justice Assistance Grant. Awarded amounts are based on statistics and the City Eveleth would qualify for \$10,370.

Lillis also discussed another grant available from the Office of Community Policing Services (COPS Office). This grant would provide the salary and benefits for one entry level police officer position for three years. The grant is designed to restore positions that would otherwise be laid off. Chief Lillis said the record from the last budget meeting (March 5,

2009) discusses layoffs in the City. The Council will be discussing potential layoffs further at the March 26, 2009 Council Budget Workshop Meeting.

**4. Board and Commission Application Process**

City Clerk/Administrator Monahan-Junek distributed documentation proposing a board and commission application process.

**5. 2010 Census**

Discussion took place on forming a 2010 Census Committee.

**6. Council Liaison Updates**

None.

**7. Agenda Q&A**

Director Wiskow added the Agenda Items referred to in No. 2.