

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Workshop
January 18, 2011
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN
6:00 p.m.

The HRA met at 6:00 p.m. The workshop commenced after the HRA meeting.

Council Present: Councilor Peterson, Councilor Hadrava, Councilor Koivunen, Councilor Hoag, Mayor Vlaisavljevich

1. Discuss 2011 Capital Improvement Projects

A public hearing has been set for the Council Meeting tonight at 7:00 p.m. The hearing will allow residents to voice their concerns over the proposed street reconstruction at the 500-700 blocks of North Court and West 5th Street.

2. Discuss Board and Commission Application Process

The Council selected boards/commissions to represent.

3. Police Department Staffing

Chief of Police Brian Lillis distributed an annual police report for the City of Eveleth.

Lillis recounted the Council's decision in January of 2010 to forego replacing a retiring officer's position. The Police Department has operated for 2010 at a level of nine officers. Lillis said the Lieutenant will be out until the end of February or beginning of March due to extended sick leave. Any serious investigations must be done by Chief Lillis at this point.

Chief Lillis proposed the Council hire a full-time temporary officer. He said there is an officer willing to take the position. The officer would work with an existing sergeant. The expense is budgeted as this year's budget has been set for 10 officers. The temporary position would end upon return of the Lieutenant.

City Attorney Brunfelt advised the Council to approve a wage and 67 days worked threshold.

4. Agenda Q&A

Paul Fischer, Eveleth Health Services Park, explained his request for funding of a financial audit.

City Clerk/Administrator informed the Council that Range Mental Health is still interested in relocating to the Eveleth Health Services Park.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich would like to sign a letter to be sent to Congressman Chip Cravaack regarding admission of veterans into the nursing home.

Vlasisavljevich questioned the price of the lots that Matt Hiti is interested in purchasing. Monahan-Junek reported that the City Assessor assessed the lots at \$1,600 per lot.

Monahan-Junek distributed a memo requesting the Mayor be authorized to approve the Pay Equity report which is due on January 31, 2011.