

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Meeting**  
**7:00 p.m., February 16, 2010**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Matos called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Councilor Thomas Kallevig, Present  
Councilor Liz Kuoppala, Present  
Councilor Joseph Koivunen, Present  
Councilor Brian Hoag, Present  
Mayor Bill Matos, Present

Also present: City Clerk/Administrator Jackie Monahan-Junek; City Attorney Mike Patchin; Deputy Clerk Stephanie Friebe; Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow; Chief of Police Brian Lillis; Eric Fallstrom (Benchmark Engineering)

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Minutes of City Council Workshop held February 2, 2010 and Minutes of City Council Meeting held February 2, 2010. Ayes – All.*

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the Agenda. Ayes – All.*

**E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**G. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Payroll – January 16-31, 2010 in the amount of \$113,442.30
2. Approval for Water/Wastewater Operator to Attend Minnesota Department of Health's Southeast Operators School, Rochester, MN, March 10-12, 2010

3. Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo from Resurrection Church at Knights of Columbus, 408 N. Norman Ave., Eveleth, MN

*Motion by Councilor Kallevig, second by Councilor Kuoppala to approve Consent Agenda. Ayes – All.*

## **H. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Councilor Kuoppala inquired about the administrative hearing regarding a citation. The hearing was scheduled to take place to at tonight's Council Meeting. Chief of Police Lillis advised that the individual receiving the citation had stopped by the Police Department to pay the fine.

## **I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **J. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Agreement with St. Louis County Regarding Reconstruction and Associated Improvements on County State Aid Highway 142 (Grant Avenue & Park Avenue)**

City Attorney Patchin indicated that the indemnification language (Agreement Item No. 18) needs to be revised. City Clerk/Administrator Monahan-Junek reported that negotiation is still in process with the County regarding prepayment for the City's portion of the construction improvements (Agreement Item No. 6).

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to approve Agreement with St. Louis County Regarding Reconstruction and Associated Improvements on County State Aid Highway 142 contingent upon finalization of Agreement Item Nos. 6 and 18. Ayes – All*

### **2. Consider converting refuse collection to individual dumpsters in the 200 and 300 blocks between North Fayal Avenue and North Elba Avenue**

Director Wiskow reported excessive dumping of garbage by individuals residing in the 200 to 300 blocks of North Fayal and North Elba Avenue. Wiskow said this area continues to be a problem even after he has sent out letters to inform the residents of garbage dumping regulations.

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Hoag authorizing conversion of refuse collection to individual dumpsters in the 200 and 300 blocks between North Fayal Avenue and North Elba Avenue. Ayes – All.*

Councilor Kallevig requested a notice be placed in the utility bills reminding the public of garbage dumping guidelines.

**3. Consider Resolution Approving Plans for Project No. 69-742-002 Reconstruction of County State-Aid Highway No. 142 (Grant Avenue and Park Avenue)**

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to adopt Resolution No. 2010-08, “Resolution Approving Plans for Project No. 69-742-002 Reconstruction of County State-Aid Highway No. 142 (Grant Avenue and Park Avenue).” Ayes – All.*

**4. Consider Resolution for Loan Application to the Public Facilities Authority Clean Water Revolving Fund for Grant Avenue and Park Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Kuoppala to adopt Resolution No. 2010-09, “Resolution for Loan Application to the Public Facilities Authority Clean Water Revolving Fund for Grant Avenue and Park Avenue Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project.” Ayes – All.*

**5. Consider Resolution for Loan Application to the Public Facilities Authority Drinking Water Revolving Fund for Grant Avenue and Park Avenue Water Replacement Project**

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to adopt Resolution No. 2010-10, “Resolution for Loan Application to the Public Facilities Authority Drinking Water Revolving Fund for Grant Avenue and Park Avenue Water Replacement Project.” Ayes – All.*

**6. Consider Authorizing Expenditures for Additional Parking and/or Construction of Entrance into Proposed Parking Lot on Grant Avenue.**

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Hoag to authorize expenditures for construction of entrance into new parking lot on Grant Avenue (north of Fine Edge Custom Framing Shop) and removal of decorative node on the west side of Grant Avenue at Pierce Street (in front of the Deluxe Café). Ayes – All.*

The parking lot will create an additional 24 parking spaces with a one-way entrance off of Grant Avenue and an exit into the alley. The surface will be gravel until the City budgets for paving the lot.

**7. Resolution Providing for the Issuance of Certificate of Indebtedness for the Purchase of an Ambulance**

*Motion by Councilor Kallevig, second by Councilor Koivunen to adopt Resolution No. 2010-11, “Resolution Providing for the Issuance of Certificate of Indebtedness for the Purchase of an Ambulance.” Ayes – All.*

The net cost of the ambulance is \$108,257.00 with trade-in.

Monahan-Junek acknowledged the donations received from Fayal Township (\$20,000) and Central Lakes (\$3,000).

#### **8. Grant & Jones Parking Lot Wall Repair Quotes**

Bids were received from the following to repair the remaining south wall of the 319 Grant Avenue building (Bear's Den):

Louhi & Kivela Masonry, Inc.	\$14,735.00
C & C Winger	\$17,200.00
Commercial Masonry Inc.	\$18,575.00

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to award bid to Louhi & Kivela Masonry, Inc. in the amount of \$14,735.00 for repair of the south wall of the 319 Grant Avenue building. Ayes – All.*

#### **9. Change Order #7 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. for Medical Office Building**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Kuoppala approving Change Order #7 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. for Medical Office Building in the amount of \$25,686.00. Ayes – Kallevig, Kuoppala, Koivunen, Matos. (Councilor Hoag abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.)*

#### **10. West Eveleth Park Lease with City of Leonidas**

Councilor Kuoppala referred to language in the proposed park lease that indicates the City of Eveleth would be accountable for some responsibilities that are currently carried out by the Joint Recreation Board. She requested that the items in question be removed from the lease. Kuoppala also clarified that Eveleth will pay a total of \$900 (of back pay for the last three years) to Leonidas for the park rental fee. The amount will be subtracted from the \$5,000 Eveleth has budgeted for playground equipment for the West Eveleth Park.

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to approve Park Lease with Leonidas contingent upon City Clerk/Administrator and City Attorney eliminating responsibilities that are performed by Joint Recreation Board from the lease. Ayes – All.*

#### **11. Fire Protection Agreement with City of Leonidas**

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig approving Fire Protection Agreement with the City of Leonidas for two years at a rate of \$412.00 per month. Ayes – All.*

### **K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilor Kuoppala said that Minnesota cities are being hit hard with the proposed LGA cuts. Kuoppala encouraged citizens to contact the Governor's office.

**L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

City Engineer: Eric Fallstrom Benchmark Engineering gave an update on the Grant/Park Avenue street reconstruction plans. Construction is likely to begin mid-May after road restrictions are lifted.

**M. ADJOURN**

The Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Attest:

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Bill Matos, Mayor

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Jackie Monahan-Junek  
City Clerk/Administrator

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