

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Meeting**  
**7:00 p.m., April 19, 2011**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Councilor Beth Peterson, Present  
Councilor Joseph Koivunen, Present  
Councilor Brian Hoag, Present  
Councilor Bradley Hadrava, Present  
Mayor Robert Vlasisavljevich, Present

Also present: City Clerk/Administrator Jackie Monahan-Junek; Deputy Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Mitch Brunfelt; Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow; Eric Fallstrom, Benchmark Engineering

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Peterson to approve the Agenda and Minutes of City Council Workshop held April 5, 2011 and Minutes of City Council Meeting held April 5, 2011. Ayes – All.*

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Eveleth Youth Hockey Association**

Brian Mortenson, Eveleth Youth Hockey Association President, addressed the Council with a request to authorize the Eveleth Youth Hockey Association to raise funds for the purchase of a new scoreboard at the Hippodrome. The Youth Hockey Association would like to look for some bigger companies to sponsor monies towards a new scoreboard. Mortenson said he has talked to Director of Public Works Wiskow regarding the scoreboard and about some dashboard advertising. The scoreboard would cost approximately \$12,000 to \$14,000.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich applauded the efforts of the Hockey Association. Councilor Hadrava encouraged Mortenson to work with Director Wiskow. Mortenson would like to meet with the City Building and Grounds Committee.

**F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

Tom Prosen, volunteer tennis coach, approached the Council requesting the City donate towards a tennis racket stringing machine to be used at the Quad Cities Tennis for All indoor facility.

City Attorney Brunfelt advised that a donation to the tennis team would only benefit a narrow scope of people and that it would not be considered a proper expenditure of public funds. Prosen indicated the tennis stringer could be used by anyone at the tennis facility to include out-of-town visitors. Brunfelt advised that the Eveleth Park and Recreation could purchase the equipment and lend the stringer to the Quad Cities Tennis facility.

City Clerk/Administrator Monahan-Junek will follow up with Gilbert regarding their intentions towards a donation.

## **G. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **1. Approval of Payroll – March 16-31, 2011 in the amount of \$117,033.43**

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

## **H. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

## **I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **J. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Downtown Revitalization Committee Cleanup Program Concept**

*Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hadrava to support the Downtown Revitalization Committee Cleanup Program Concept. Ayes – All.*

Councilor Hadrava announced the City-Wide Earth Day Clean Up planned for Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Anyone interested is encouraged to meet at the City Hall.

### **2. Consider Approving Lease Renewal with the State of Minnesota for West Eveleth Water Tower and West Eveleth Transfer Lift Station**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve lease renewal with the State of Minnesota for West Eveleth Water Tower and West Eveleth Transfer Lift Station.  
Ayes – All.*

### **3. Consider Golf Course Rates**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Peterson to approve the 2011 Golf Course Rates. Ayes – All.*

The rates will be increased as follows:

- Increase of \$20.00 per season ticket for husband/wife and adult passes
- Increase of \$10.00 for student and youth season tickets
- Increase of \$2.00 in the daily green fees

Councilor Peterson asked if the language referring to “husband/wife” season passes could be modified to be more open to other kinds of couples who are not husband and wife.

**4. Consider Pay Request No. 4 (final) from C&C Winger, Inc., in the amount of \$4,904.00 for Grant Avenue Parking Lot**

City Attorney Brunfelt reminded the Council of the dispute between C & C Winger, Inc. and the City of Eveleth regarding a Change Order in the amount of \$7,500. The dispute, which was settled in conciliation court, was centered on whether or not the contactors followed proper preapproval procedures for a change order. The Court’s decision calls for the City to pay only what was owed under the contract. Pay Request No. 4 will be the final payment made to C & C Winger, Inc. for the work done on the Grant Avenue Parking Lot.

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Pay Request No. 4 as the final payment to C & C Winger, Inc. in the amount of \$4,904.00 for the Grant Avenue Parking Lot. Ayes – All.*

**5. Letter from Eveleth–Gilbert Boys’ & Girls’ Tennis Coaches Regarding Tennis Equipment**

This item was addressed during Visitor Presentations.

**6. Letter from Eveleth Westside Civic League Regarding Youth Baseball Jamboree, June 4-5, 2011**

The Eveleth Westside Civic League would like to host a youth baseball jamboree on June 4-5, 2011 on the two ball fields behind the IGA and the ball field in West Eveleth.

Director Wiskow said he had confirmed that the fields are available with Eveleth Parks Recreational Director, Craig Homola. Mayor Vlasisavljevich said it is refreshing to see the Westside Civic League get involved.

*Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hadrava to authorize the Eveleth Westside Civic League to use the ball fields on June 4-5, 2011 for a Youth Baseball Jamboree. Ayes – All.*

**7. Closed Session – Contract Negotiations**

The Council entered into closed session at the end of the meeting.

**K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilor Hadrava reminded the public of the city-wide Earth Day Clean up on Friday, April 22, 2011.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said the City will be attempting to get traffic controls on Highway 53 and Hat Trick Avenue. Vlasisavljevich said this is a treacherous intersection.

**L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

Police Chief: Chief Lillis reminded the public that calendar parking is effective through May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Public Works Director: Director Wiskow indicated the City is behind on street sweeping due to the significant and extended snow fall this year. Wiskow reminded the public that the 2011 Spring Refuse Collection is underway.

City Engineer: Eric Fallstrom, Benchmark Engineering, said he will have complete tabulations at the next Council Meeting from the bid opening for the 2011 Capital Improvement Project.

Clerk/Administrator: Monahan-Junek announced the Community Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. to be held at the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said the Hall of Fame is handicap accessible. He encouraged the public to attend as there will be a time for questions and answers.

**M. ADJOURN**

The Council entered into closed session to discuss contract negotiations at 7:39 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Attest:

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Robert Vlasisavljevich, Mayor

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Jackie Monahan-Junek  
City Clerk/Administrator

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