

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Workshop**  
**September 15, 2009**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**  
**6:15 p.m.**

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

**1. City Hall Lift**

City Clerk/Administrator Monahan-Junek informed the Council that a letter was sent to the Minnesota Historical Society on September 9, 2009 from State Representative Thomas Rukavina. The City has been awarded a CDBG grant to install a lift at the City Hall. However, the Historical Society considers City Hall to meet the criteria for historical places and has indicated a lift would disturb the space. Rukavina's letter requested the Society send a representative to visit the site. The decision made by the Historical Society to deny a lift at City Hall was made without their representative viewing the building, and the Historical Society refused a previous request made by City staff to visit. The Society suggested an elevator be placed at City Hall rather than a lift.

The CDBG grant expires the end of this year and cannot be applied towards any other projects.

**2. Days Inn**

Not discussed due to lack of time.

**3. Eveleth-Virginia Airport Direction**

Rich Barratta, Eveleth-Virginia Airport Commission, addressed the Council regarding a letter sent to Congressman Oberstar requesting funding to move runway 14/32. Runway 14/32 encroaches into the protection zone affecting homes in the vicinity. The Airport Commission would like to add 500 feet to the southeast end of the existing runway 14/32 and remove 500 feet from the northwest end. Barratta indicated the response was given that moving the runway is not in the master plan of the Airport. Further discussion will need to take place with the State (MnDot) related to including the moving of Runway 14/32 into the updated master plan in the spring of 2010.

Potential City responsibility for funding the extension of the runway was discussed.

**4. Commissions**

Director of Public Works Wiskow indicated the Golf Commission has had a hard time getting a quorum. Wiskow said it might be appropriate to send a letter to those individuals not attending the meetings questioning their interest to serve. If they are not interested, the positions would be considered vacant.

## **5. Agenda Q&A**

Levy amounts were discussed.

The following item will be added to the Agenda:

J7. Authorize Sale of Lot 10D, Carlson's Second Addition to Eveleth, to Thomas and Christina Bartovich