

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Workshop
March 2, 2010
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN
6:15 p.m.

Council present: Kallevig, Kuoppala, Koivunen, Hoag, Matos

1. Discuss submitting grant/loan applications

Discussion took place on the following:

- a) 2011 Drinking Water Revolving Fund/Clean Water Revolving Fund
- b) 2011-2012 Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR)
- c) 2010 Minnesota Election Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities (EAID) Grant Program

Councilor Kuoppala mentioned the possibility of adding a disc golf project at Fayal Pond, as proposed by the Parks Commission, to the LCCMR grant. Kuoppala estimated the disc golf project at \$4,000 to \$5,000. Monahan-Junek suggested remediation of the previously filled stream on the snow dump site.

2. Update on funding Grant Ave/Park Ave reconstruction and new parking lot

City Clerk/Administrator Monahan-Junek revealed that after consulting with Kennedy & Graven, she was advised that the City would not be able to use the remaining proceeds from the 2008 CIP Bond issue for the cost of pavement (for the proposed parking lot on Grant Avenue between Pierce Street and Monroe Street). Benchmark Engineering has estimated it would cost \$25,000 to pave the new lot on Grant. Monahan-Junek said it would cost about \$2,000 should the City decide to issue a separate bond for the parking lot project.

3. Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities Legislative Action Day Update

Monahan-Junek and Kuoppala gave an update on the Legislative Action Day they attended at the State Capital with the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities.

4. Discuss MPCA Stipulation Agreement

In the draft stipulation agreement, the MPCA has cited a \$2,750 penalty for eight violations. Director Wiskow has suggested an alternative be submitted to the MPCA in lieu of the fine. Wiskow has proposed a mandatory foundation/roof drain inspection of all non-residential downtown properties. The cost of the inspections, to be performed by Benchmark Engineering, would be around \$12,660. In his memo to the Council dated February 26, 2010, Wiskow noted the reason for the inspections as showing good faith the MPCA and correcting the I & I problems. The cost of the consultation would be more than the fine

imposed; however, installation of sump pumps and roof drains would provide a solution to the I & I trouble in that area.

Discussion took place on purchasing a longer hose for future pumping from one manhole to another.

5. Set date for budget workshop

A budget workshop will be scheduled on March 23, 2010 beginning at 4:00 p.m.

6. Agenda Q&A