

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Meeting**  
**5:00 p.m., February 2, 2010**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Matos called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

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

Also present: City Attorney Mitch Brunfelt; Deputy Clerk Stephanie Friebe; Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow; Chief of Police Brian Lillis

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Kallevig to approve Minutes of City Council Workshop held January 19, 2010 and Minutes of City Council Meeting held January 19, 2010. Ayes – All.*

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to approve Agenda with deletion of J5, “Agreement with St. Louis County Regarding Reconstruction and Associated Improvements on County State Aid Highway 142 (Grant Avenue & Park Avenue).” Ayes – All.*

**E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**G. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Payroll – January 1-15, 2010 in the amount of \$90,610.39
2. Approval of Claims – January 2010 in the amount of \$353,264.74

3. Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities Legislative Action Day
4. Training Request from Police Chief Lillis
5. Resolution No. 2010-07, “Accepting Donations to the Eveleth Public Library in Memory of Bob Sedey”

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Koivunen approving Consent Agenda and requesting a letter of thanks be sent to the Sedey family for the donations to the Eveleth Public Library. Ayes – All.*

## **H. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

## **I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **J. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Change Order #5 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. for Medical Office Building**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Kuoppala to approve Change Order #5 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$2,080.00 for the Medical Office Building at Eveleth Health Services Park. Ayes – All.*

### **2. Change Order #6 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. for Medical Office Building**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Kuoppala to approve Change Order #6 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$2,544.00 for the Medical Office Building at Eveleth Health Services Park. Ayes – All.*

### **3. Payment Request #9 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$5,499 for Medical Office Building**

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve Payment Request #9 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$5,499.00 for the Medical Office Building at Eveleth Health Service Park. Ayes – All.*

### **4. Request to Purchase City Owned Land in West Eveleth**

Matt Hiti, 1406 West 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, West Eveleth, submitted a request to purchase Lot 20, Block 4, of Volcansek First Addition to Eveleth. Hiti addressed the Council indicating he would like to build a garage apartment on the lot for his brother.

City Attorney Brunfelt referred to the City’s zoning ordinance which requires a buildable lot to have street frontage. Lot 20, Block 4 does not have a developed front street. Attorney Brunfelt said the Council would have to deny the request based on City Code.

Brunfelt advised the Council to consider the Board of Adjustment as it does not have enough members to constitute a quorum. Brunfelt said the request from Hiti is reasonable, but prohibited with the current ordinance limits. Brunfelt suggested the Council could amend the zoning ordinance and establish a new Board of Adjustment.

Councilor Kuoppala requested that a job description be created to familiarize the public with the duties for the Board of Adjustment. Kuoppala said individuals may be interested if they realize the Board of Adjustment only meets as needed. She proposed that each Council member could recruit members to serve on the board. Kuoppala requested City staff prepare a job description for the Board of Adjustment and distribute to the Council. Kallevig suggested an advertisement be placed in the utility bills.

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to table the request of Matt Hiti to purchase city owned property upon Lot 20, Block 4, Volcansek First Addition to Eveleth pending the outcome of amending the zoning ordinance and reestablishing the Board of Adjustment. Ayes – All.*

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

This item was removed from the Agenda.

**6. Call for Proposals on Squad Car**

*Motion by Councilor Kallevig, second by Councilor Koivunen to authorize calling for proposals for a 2010 Ford Crown Victoria squad car. Ayes – All.*

The squad car is a budgeted item for 2010.

**7. Request for Administrative Hearing**

Roger Bontems requested a hearing to appeal an administrative citation issued on January 22, 2010 for driving over the sidewalk/curb when prohibited according to City Code Section 7.13. The citation fee is \$25.00.

*Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to schedule an appeal hearing to take place at the next regular Council Meeting on February 16, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. regarding the administrative citation issued to Roger Bontems. Ayes – All.*

**K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

**L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**M. ADJOURN**

The Meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.

Attest:

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Bill Matos, Mayor

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Jackie Monahan-Junek  
City Clerk/Administrator

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