

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
7:00 p.m., April 20, 2010
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Matos called the meeting to order at 7:00 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; Deputy Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Mitch Brunfelt; Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow; Chief of Police Brian Lillis

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Kuoppala to approve Minutes of City Council Workshop held April 6, 2010 and Minutes of City Council Meeting held April 6, 2010. Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Agenda with addition of E1. " Appoint Tom Sersha to the Iron Range Tourism Board." Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Appoint Tom Sersha to the Iron Range Tourism Board

Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Hoag to appoint Tom Sersha to the Iron Range Tourism Board for a one year term. Ayes – All.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Payroll – March 16-31, 2010 in the amount of \$106,398.49

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

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Letter from Cruise Eveleth Car Show

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Kuoppala approving the Cruise Eveleth Car Show and request for street closures, barricade delivery and parking signage the afternoon and evening of August 28, 2010. Ayes – All.

2. Request to Sell Forfeited Vehicles

Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Koivunen authorizing sale of the following forfeited vehicles through Do-Bid.com using the customary competitive bid process: Vehicle #1: 1995 Ford Pickup, VIN: 1FTEF14NXSLA48347; Vehicle #2: 1996 Dodge Caravan, VIN: 2B4GP44RXTR670740. Ayes – All.

Police Chief Lillis said that Do-Bid.com is the official website for Oberfoell Auctioneers, an internet based bidding program.

3. Request for Abandonment Declaration

Motion by Councilor Kallevig, second by Councilor Hoag to authorize abandonment declaration of the following vehicle: 1991 Chevrolet S-10 Blazer, VIN: 1GNCT18ZOM8280675. Ayes – All.

The vehicle will be used by the Eveleth Fire Department for fire/extrication training.

4. Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Revising Chapter 2, Section 2.15, Subdivision 2 and Subdivision 7 to the City Code, Employee Criminal History Background Investigations

Motion by Councilor Kallevig, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Revising Chapter 2, Section 2.15, Subdivision 2 and Subdivision 7 to the City Code, Employee Criminal History Background Investigations. Ayes – All.

5. Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 5, Sections 5.41 and 5.44, of the City Code, Entitled Sunday Sales and Hours and Days of Liquor Sales

Motion by Councilor Kallevig, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 5, Sections 5.41 and 5.44, of the City Code, Entitled Sunday Sales and Hours and Days of Liquor Sales. (Councilor Koivunen abstained from voting due to a conflict of interest.) Ayes – Kallevig, Kuoppala, Hoag, Matos). Motion carried.

The ordinance change would allow for on-sale liquor sales until 2:00 a.m. on a Monday if the 3rd or 4th of July, or a city-wide event, falls on a Sunday. The event would need Council approval. Licensees would be required to hold a 2:00 A.M. Liquor License to remain open. All other on-sale establishments would be allowed to stay open until 1:00 a.m. The current ordinance requires liquor sales to cease at midnight on Sundays.

6. Letter from Channel 12 Cable Commission Requesting Funds

The Joint Cable Commission submitted a request for payment from the FY09-10 in the amount of \$8,787.00. The total budgeted amount for FY09-10 was \$10,848.15. The City of Gilbert withdrew from the agreement. Therefore, the expenses were distributed between the two remaining entities based on subscriber usage. Eveleth is responsible for 81% and Fayal is responsible for 19%.

Discussion took place on the legality of Gilbert withdrawing from the Joint Powers and financial responsibility without a year's notice as indicated in the agreement.

Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Hoag to authorize two-thirds payment of the FY09-10 Joint 12 Cable Commission billing and to request the City of Gilbert pay one-third of the billing amount of \$8,787.00. Ayes – All.

Councilor Kallevig requested numbers of how many people are subscribing to cable. Councilor Hoag requested that the Joint Cable Commission be invited to the May 18, 2010 Council Workshop Meeting.

Councilor Kuoppala requested clarification from the Joint Cable Commission on how the money is being spent. Kuoppala also asked that a plan be established regarding equipment and programming.

7. Revised Board/Commission Member Appointment Process

City Clerk/Administrator Monahan-Junek reviewed the proposed changes to the Board Commission Member Appointment Process that was adopted in April of 2009. The City will advertise for all expired or vacant terms. Members with expired terms, wishing to be

reappointed, will be considered along with any other new applicants. Interviews would be eliminated from the process.

Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Kallevig to approve the revised Board/Commission Member Appointment Process. Ayes – All.

Councilor Kuoppala encouraged residents to apply for City Boards and Commissions.

8. Consider Setting Special City Council to Approve Bids for Grant Avenue and Park Avenue (County State Aid Highway 142) Water and Sewer Replacement

Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Koivunen to set a Special City Council Meeting to Approve Bids for Grant Avenue and Park Avenue (County State Aid Highway 142) Water and Sewer Replacement for May 10, 2010 at 4:00 p.m. Ayes – All.

9. Consider Approving Dog Park Usage Rate for Mesabi Humane Society

Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Koivunen to allow the Mesabi Humane Society to utilize the Eveleth Dog Park at an annual rate of \$50.00. Ayes – All.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Motion by Councilor Kuoppala, second by Councilor Hoag to set a Special City Council Meeting on April 26, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. to discuss the Eveleth Health Services Park. Ayes – All.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Public Works Director: Director Wiskow reminded the public that Spring Refuse Collection began at the City Garage yesterday. Yard waste will be picked up by the City on May 10, 2010.

Wiskow indicated the Golf Course opened early this year on April 1st due to the nice weather we have had this spring.

M. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Attest:

Bill Matos, Mayor

Approved: May 4, 2010
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Jackie Monahan-Junek
City Clerk/Administrator