

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
7:00 p.m., January 6, 2015
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

Mayor Robert Vlasisavljevich, Present
Councilor Brian Hoag, Present
Councilor Brad Hadrava, Present
Councilor Brian Lillis, Present
Councilor Joseph Koivunen, Present

Also present: City Clerk Administrator Jackie Monahan-Junek; Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Bonnie Thayer; Chief of Police Timothy Koivunen; Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow; Rodney Flannigan and Eric Fallstrom, Benchmark Engineering

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve the following minutes:

1. *Minutes of City Council Workshop Meeting held December 2, 2014; and*
2. *Minutes of City Council Meeting held December 2, 2014.*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the agenda with the following addition:

J12. 2015 Squad Car Purchase

Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Payroll – December 1-15, 2014 in the amount of \$95,851.01
2. Approval of Claims – December 2014 in the amount of \$563,315.30
3. Independent Contract Between City of Eveleth and Anthony Jeffries for Zoning Administrator Services
4. Memorandum of Understanding Between The City of Eveleth and The United Steelworkers Regarding Deputy Chief Position
5. Agreement for Collection of Residential and Commercial Recyclable Materials with St. Louis County
6. 2015 Land Licenses in Alice Location

Councilor Hadrava asked about the Alice Location. Mayor Vlasisavljevich said the City is still in the titling phase. Councilor Koivunen said it takes time. Minnesota Power is still on hold due to some environmental work. City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek said Attorney Mike Patchin is working on the title work, but could be a couple of years before it is finished.

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Consent Agenda. Ayes – All.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Appoint Acting Mayor

Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Lillis to appoint Councilor Koivunen as acting mayor. Ayes – All.

2. Designate Official Newspaper

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to designate Hometown Focus as the City's official newspaper for the year 2015. Ayes – All.

3. Designate Depositories

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to designate Wells Fargo, Eveleth MN and The Miners National Bank of Eveleth as the City’s depositories for the year 2015. Ayes – All.

4. 2015 Council Board & Liaison Appointments

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the following 2015 Council Board & Liaison Appointments:

<i>Board of Adjustment & Planning Commission</i>	<i>Councilor Hoag</i>
<i>Donations Committee</i>	<i>Councilor Lillis & Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>Eveleth-Virginia Airport Authority</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava (Councilor Koivunen, alternate)</i>
<i>Eveleth-Virginia Airport Authority Zoning Board</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>*Economic Development Authority</i>	<i>Councilor Hoag & Councilor Lillis</i>
<i>Fire Commission</i>	<i>Councilor Lillis</i>
<i>*Golf Course Commission</i>	<i>Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>*Joint ATV/OHM/Snowmobile Trail Board</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>Joint Recreation Board</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>Library Board.....</i>	<i>Councilor Hoag</i>
<i>Police Commission.....</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich</i>
<i>*Quad Cities Joint Recreation Authority Board</i>	<i>Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>Buildings and Grounds.....</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava & Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>Streets and Alleys</i>	<i>Councilor Koivunen & Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>Public Utilities</i>	<i>Councilor Lillis & Mayor Vlasisavljevich</i>
<i>Personnel Sub-Committee</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich & Councilor Hadrava (Councilor Hoag, alternate)</i>
<i>Public Safety.....</i>	<i>Councilor Lillis & Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>*VEEDA Board</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich</i>
<i>*Parks Commission</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>Joint Cable Commission.....</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich</i>
<i>Marketing Committee</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich & Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>*HRA</i>	<i>Councilor Hoag</i>
<i>Neighborhood Revitalization/Housing</i>	<i>Councilor Hoag</i>
<i>Iron Range Youth in Action</i>	<i>Councilor Hoag</i>

Ayes – All.

5. Resolution Appointing a Responsible Authority and Assigning Duties

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to adopt Resolution No. 2015-01, “Resolution Appointing a Responsible Authority and Assigning Duties.” Ayes – All.

6. Designate Benchmark Engineering, Inc. as City Engineer for 2015

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to designate Benchmark Engineering, Inc. as City Engineer for 2015. Ayes – All.

7. Notice of Retirement from Cynthia Hultman, Library Technician

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve notice of retirement from Library Technician, Cynthia Hultman, effective March 31, 2015, and to send a letter of thanks for her service. Ayes – All.

8. Consider approving Change Order No. 4 for Eveleth City Auditorium Renovation Phase II Project

Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Change Order No. 4 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$7,650.00 for Eveleth City Auditorium Renovation Phase II Project. Ayes – All.

9. Pay Request No. 1 from G-Men Environmental Services in the amount of \$30,730.00 for 2014 Residential Building Demolition Project

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Pay Request No. 1 from G-Men Environmental Services in the amount of \$30,730.00 for 2014 Residential Building Demolition Project. Ayes – All.

10. Consider approving fuel purchases for 2015

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve fuel purchases from Old Town Oil & Auto Works at a cost of \$0.03 per gallon less than their pump price on the day of purchase for the year 2015. Ayes – All.

11. Donations Request from Arrowhead D.A.R.E.

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to approve \$100.00 donation to the 11th Annual Arrowhead D.A.R.E. Curling Bonspiel. Ayes – All.

12. 2015 Squad Car Purchase

Quotes were received from the following for a new 2015 Ford Police Utility Interceptor:

Lundgren Motors of Eveleth	\$27,321.96
Ford of Hibbing	\$26,817.00

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to approve quotation from Lundgren Motors of Eveleth in the amount of \$27,321.96 for purchase of a new 2015 Ford Police Utility Interceptor. Ayes – All.

The 2001 Ford Expedition would be retired and possibly used by the Public Works Department.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Hadrava asked Eric Fallstrom about mapping the trail by Station Road 44. Fallstrom indicated he would be distributing a map to the Council after the meeting. The area has been flagged. Some wetlands were encountered, but will need be verified this spring.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich attended a recent airport commission meeting with Attorney Thayer. The airport was gifted the Sky Harbor Seaplane Base on Ely Lake.

Councilor Hoag said he is honored to be back on the City Council.

Councilor Hadrava thanked voters for their support. He said his “phone line is open.”

The winner of two tickets for the January 17th Minnesota Wild Hockey game was Cindy Rhyll.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Police Chief – Chief Koivunen congratulated Councilor Hoag and Hadrava. Koivunen said he has received a few complaints regarding dog waste on the sidewalks and Fayal Pond trails. He asked pet owners to please be diligent about picking up after their pets.

Public Works Director – Director Wiskow said the new black packer was delivered last week and is working very well.

City Engineer – Rodney Flannigan, Benchmark Engineering, thanked the City for the opportunity to be appointed as the City Engineer.

M. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Robert Vlasisavljevich, Mayor

Attest:

Jackie Monahan-Junek
City Clerk

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