

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Meeting**  
**7:00 p.m., April 17, 2012**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Vlaisavljevich called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

Councilor Beth Peterson, Present  
Councilor Joseph Koivunen, Present  
Councilor Brian Hoag, Present  
Councilor Bradley Hadrava, Present  
Mayor Robert Vlaisavljevich, Present

Also present: City Clerk/Administrator Jackie Monahan-Junek; Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Mitch Brunfelt; Chief of Police Brian Lillis; Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow; Benchmark Engineering, Eric Fallstrom

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Peterson to approve Agenda and Minutes of City Council Workshop held April 3, 2012; and Minutes of City Council Meeting held April 3, 2012. Ayes – All.*

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Presentation of Retirement Watch to Chief Lillis**

Mayor Vlaisavljevich presented Chief of Police Brian Lillis with a watch in honor of his retirement.

Chief Lillis thanked fellow co-workers, the Council and citizens of Eveleth. Lillis has been working in law enforcement for over 28 years.

Chief Lillis swore in new Chief of Police Timothy Koivunen. Koivunen said he has the utmost respect for Chief Lillis and recognized the “big shoes” he has to fill.

Mayor Vlaisavljevich said it has been an honor to work with Chief Lillis. He congratulated Lillis on his retirement and welcomed Koivunen.

## **2. Commission Application from Barb White for the Park Commission**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to appoint Barb White to the Park Commission for the term 4/17/2012 to 1/31/2014. Ayes – All.*

## **F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

None.

## **G. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Payroll – March 16-31, 2012 in the amount of \$106,494.42

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

## **H. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

## **I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **J. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Letter from the Eveleth EDA regarding the Eveleth HRA**

The Council received a letter from Eveleth EDA President, Bill Aho. The EDA is interested in serving as the HRA Board. The City Council currently acts as the HRA Board.

City Attorney Mitch Brunfelt will work on a resolution to make the change effective June 1, 2012.

### **2. Consider authorizing 2012 Discretionary Expenditure for United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum air conditioner**

The estimate for replacing the air conditioner at the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum is \$65,000. The proposed grant from the IRRRB is in the amount of \$35,000. The City and the Hockey Hall would each contribute \$15,000 towards the replacement.

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the 2012 Discretionary Expenditure for the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum air conditioner replacement in the amount of \$15,000. Ayes – All.*

**3. Proposed Fire Protection Agreement between City of Eveleth and City of Leonidas for the City of Eveleth to Furnish Fire Protection Services to the City of Leonidas**

*Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the Fire Protection Agreement between City of Eveleth and City of Leonidas for the City of Eveleth to Furnish Fire Protection Services to the City of Leonidas. Ayes – All.*

**4. Proposed Park Lease between City of Eveleth and City of Leonidas**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve Park Lease between City of Eveleth and City of Leonidas. Ayes – All.*

**5. Consider accepting quotation for 2012 Curb and Sidewalk Replacement**

The following quotations were opened on April 13, 2012:

Quote Item	Arden Curry & Associates Gilbert, MN	C & C Winger Embarrass, MN	3-D Concrete & Construction Eveleth, MN
Placement of Curb (Design B612)	\$16.00/ft	\$22.75/ft	\$16.99/ft.
Placement of Curb (Design B618)	\$20.00/ft.	\$24.00/ft	\$20.99/ft.
Placement of Curb (Design B624)	\$24.00/ft	\$26.00/ft	\$22.75/ft.
Placement of Sidewalk	\$7.50/S.F.	\$4.50/S.F.	\$3.00/S.F.
Placement of Pavement	\$9.00/S.F.	\$7.00/S.F.	\$6.00/S.F.
Placement of Monolithic Curb	\$14.00/ft.	\$14.50/ft.	\$5.14/ft.

Director Wiskow recommended the City accept the quotation from 3D Concrete & Construction.

*Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve quotation from 3D Concrete and Construction, Eveleth, MN, for 2012 Curb and Sidewalk Replacement. Ayes – All.*

**6. Consider awarding bid for 2012 Capital Improvement Projects**

The following bids were opened at 10:00 a.m. on April 17, 2012 for:

Bidder	Total
Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. Eveleth, MN	\$620,624.25
Mesabi Bituminous Gilbert, MN	\$628,555.55
KGM Contractors Angora, MN	\$713,929.88
Uland Bros Cloquet, MN	\$735,000.00
Utility Systems of America Eveleth, MN	\$743,223.45
Hibbing Excavating Hibbing, MN	\$771,399.60

Eric Fallstrom announced the low bidder as Jola & Sopp of Eveleth, MN. The completion of the project is scheduled for October 15, 2012 with a chance of being done by mid to late summer.

*Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hoag to accept the bid from Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. for the 2012 Capital Improvement Projects in the amount of \$620,624.25. Ayes – All.*

**7. A Resolution Awarding the Sale of a General Obligation Improvement Bond, Series 2012A Fixing its Form and Specifications; Directing its Execution and Delivery; and Providing for its Payment**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Peterson to adopt Resolution No. 2012-11, “A Resolution Awarding the Sale of a General Obligation Improvement Bond, Series 2012A Fixing its Form and Specifications; Directing its Execution and Delivery; and Providing for its Payment.” Ayes – All.*

**8. Letter from North St. Louis County Habitat for Humanity to acquire Lot 11 and east ½ of Lot 10, Block 14 in Volcansek Addition #2**

City Clerk/Administrator Monahan-Junek said that Habitat for Humanity is still interested in the lot on Kimberley for future use.

*Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Hadrava to donate Lot 11 and east ½ of Lot 10, Block 14 in Volcansek Addition #2 to North St. Louis County Habitat for Humanity. Ayes – All.*

**9. Introduction and First Reading of a Proposed Ordinance Repealing Section 11.30 C-1 Commercial District, Subdivision 1. Special Requirements. Enclosure of Uses,**

## **Revising Subdivision 2. Permitted Uses, and Repealing and Replacing Subdivision 3. Conditional Uses**

Tony Jeffries, Eveleth Planning Commission, reviewed the Planning Commission's recommendation to amend the City's zoning ordinance. Attorney Brunfelt suggested the proposed ordinance language be changed in Subd. 3 from "special permit" to "conditional use permit." Brunfelt clarified that the City does not have an obligation to issue a permit and has discretion to advise on the conditions set.

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Introduction and First Reading of a Proposed Ordinance Repealing Section 11.30 C-1 Commercial District, Subdivision 1. Special Requirements. Enclosure of Uses, Revising Subdivision 2. Permitted Uses, and Repealing and Replacing Subdivision 3. Conditional Uses with revisions. Ayes – All.*

### **10. Resolution in Support of Hockey Day Minnesota**

Councilor Hadrava announced Eveleth's victory in winning the contest for State of Hockey Capital. Eveleth received a hockey jersey from the Minnesota Wild and will be obtaining the flag.

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Resolution No. 2012-12, "Resolution in Support of Hockey Day Minnesota." Ayes – All.*

## **K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilor Peterson recognized the need for foster parents in St. Louis County.

Councilor Hoag has been talking with residents about the City Auditorium. He said he would like to set up a public meeting possibly for the middle of May to discuss the building.

Councilor Hadrava thanked the sponsors and Minnesota Wild for the State of Hockey Capital flag. Councilor Hadrava, his wife Cynthia, and school superintendent Jan Mesich were able to attend the Wild Hockey game. Eveleth was recognized as the winner of the flag at the game. The Wild will be coming to Eveleth with the flag possibly in June of this year.

## **L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

Police Chief: Chief Lillis announced his retirement party to be held at City Hall on April 27, 2012 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Tim Koivunen said he is looking forward to the opportunity to work with the police officers of Eveleth.

Public Works Director: Director Wiskow reminded the public of Spring Clean Up. There will be a tornado drill this Thursday at 1:45 p.m. Wiskow said it has been a pleasure working with Chief Lillis.

Clerk-Administrator: Monahan-Junek thanked Chief Lillis for his humor over the years.

City Attorney: Attorney Brunfelt shared his sentiments and on behalf of Attorney Mike Kearney. Brunfelt said it has been a pleasure to work with Lillis and complimented his level of professionalism.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich congratulated Chief Lillis on his retirement.

**M. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Attest:

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Robert Vlasisavljevich, Mayor

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Jackie Monahan-Junek  
City Clerk/Administrator

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