

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
7:00 p.m., July 1, 2014
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

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

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

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve minutes as follows:

- 1. Minutes of City Council Workshop Meeting held June 3, 2014*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Meeting held June 3, 2014*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Agenda with removal of following items:

- J3. Purchase Agreement for City to purchase Arrowhead Laundry building located at 408 Fayal Road, Eveleth, MN; and*
- J9. Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Section 4.50 Sign Regulations of the City Code*

Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Payroll – May 16-31, 2014 in the amount of \$125,183.37
2. Approval of Payroll – June 1-15, 2014 in the amount of \$104,293.87
3. Approval of Claims – June 2014 in the amount of \$659,960.66
4. Accept 2013 Annual Audit
5. 2014 Land Licenses in Alice Location
6. Ambulance Service Mutual Aid Agreement with Hoyt Lakes
7. Revised Pay Equity Report
8. Travel Request Assistant Water/Wastewater Operator to attend Wastewater Treatment Tech Seminar in Brainerd, MN, August 12-14, 2014

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

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Hearing on Proposed Assessments for 2010 Grant/Park Avenue Capital Improvement Project

Mayor Vlaisavljevich opened the public hearing at 7:04 p.m. to discuss the proposed assessments for the 2010 Grant/Park Avenue Capital Improvement Project. City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek reviewed the payment options for residents. The City will send out an invoice for the assessment which will be due in 30 days. If not paid, the outstanding amount will be certified to the County. The total will be apportioned over 20 years for payment on the resident's property taxes.

The public hearing was closed at 7:10 pm.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution Adopting Assessment for 2010 Grant Avenue/Park Avenue Street Reconstruction

Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hadrava to adopt Resolution No. 2014-14, "Resolution Adopting Assessment for 2010 Grant Avenue/Park Avenue Street Reconstruction." Ayes – All.

2. Reconsider motion to evict Dr. Draper from City owned clinic at 239 McKinley Avenue

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said he is trying to set up a meeting with Dr. Draper. No action was taken on this item.

3. Purchase Agreement for City to purchase Arrowhead Laundry building located at 408 Fayal Road, Eveleth, MN

This item was removed from the Agenda.

4. Letter from Rosella Potocnik, 806 Jones Street, regarding property located at 804 Jones Street

The Council referenced a letter from Rosella Potocnik, 806 Jones Street, regarding the house damaged in a fire adjacent to their property.

Chief Koivunen said the fire at 804 Jones Street occurred in October of 2013. Koivunen said he spoke with the home owners today. They indicated they are working with the insurance company and are in the process of removing the asbestos.

City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek said she has also had conversations with the owners. She gave them a packet of information regarding the IRRRB demolition program. Monahan-Junek referenced State Statute which requires the insurance company to give the City 25 percent of the trust insurance claim money on the property.

City Attorney Colosimo said he believes the City is on the insurance list.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said this property falls under the same category as another property in town. Chief Koivunen said the property owner, at 520 Hayes, claims he is in the process of repairing the roof. City Zoning Administrator Tony Jeffries said the property owner at 520 Hayes is delinquent on property taxes for 2012-13. Vlasisavljevich said the two properties are unsafe and are health hazards to the public. Councilor Lillis agreed that these properties are a public safety concern, and a blight issue.

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Peterson to authorize City Clerk Administrator and Chief of Police to secure funds from IRRRB and begin demolition of property located at 804 Jones Street and 520 Hayes Street. Ayes – All.

5. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$1,737.00 for Auditorium Renovation Phase II project

Director Wiskow explained the change order was for furnishing paint for the interior of the City Auditorium. The City had received a grant (paint). However, the paint was stored in the garage of the HRA and became unusable after being frozen.

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve Change Order No. 1 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$1,737.00 for Auditorium Renovation Phase II project. Ayes – All.

6. Consider approving Change Order No. 2 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$2,640.00 for Auditorium Renovation Phase II project

Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Change Order No. 2 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$2,640.00 for Auditorium Renovation Phase II project. Ayes – All.

This change order would cover the electrical boxes added for the 20 light fixtures in the City Auditorium.

7. Pay Request No. 3 from Lenci Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$231,303.15 for Auditorium Renovation Phase II Project

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Pay Request No. 3 from Lenci Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$231,303.15 for Auditorium Renovation Phase II Project. Ayes – All.

8. Pay Request No. 1 from Mesabi Bituminous Inc. for Hockey Plaza and Library Landscaping

Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Lillis to approve pay request No. 1 from Mesabi Bituminous Inc. for Hockey Plaza and Library Landscaping in the amount of \$17,325.00. Ayes – All.

9. Introduction and First Reading of an Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Section 4.50 Sign Regulations of the City Code

Item was removed and will be added to a future Council Workshop Meeting.

10. Letter from Iron Range Radio Control Club Inc. requesting City Council declare first official National Model Aviation Day

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to declare August 16, 2014 as National Model Aviation Day. Ayes – All.

11. Letter from Cruise Eveleth Car Show regarding August 22, 2014 Elks Corn Feed/Cruise Eveleth Car Show

Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the requests from the Cruise Eveleth Car Show Committee and the Eveleth Elks Lodge #1161 to hold the Elks Corn Feed/Cruise Eveleth Car Show on August 22, 2014. Ayes – All.

12. Law Enforcement Service Agreement Between the City of Eveleth and the City of Leonidas

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve the Law Enforcement Service Agreement between the City of Eveleth and the City of Leonidas. Ayes – All.

Chief of Police Koivunen said Leonidas has been contracting with the St. Louis County Sheriff's Department for law enforcement services.

13. Change the start time of August 5 regular City Council meeting

Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Koivunen to change the start time of the August 5, 2014 City Council Meeting to begin at 4:00 p.m. due to National Night Out. Ayes – All.

14. Resolution Accepting Donation for Golf Course Improvements

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to adopt Resolution No. 2014-15, "Resolution Accepting Donation for Golf Course Improvements." Ayes – All.

The City accepted a donation in the amount of \$160.00 from the Eveleth Women's Golf Club.

15. Resolution Accepting Donation for Movies in the Park

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Peterson to adopt Resolution No. 2014-16, "Resolution Accepting Donation for Movies in the Park." Ayes – All.

The City accepted a donation in the amount of \$300.00 from Benchmark Engineering.

16. Resolution Accepting Donation for Library

Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hadrava to adopt Resolution No. 2014-17, "Resolution Accepting Donation for the Library." Ayes – All.

The City accepted a donation of eight (8) "Home is the Range" books from Margo Newman Madrinich. Ayes – All.

17. Resolution Appointing Judges of Election for Federal, State, County and City Primary and General Elections to be held on August 12 and November 4, 2014, Respectively

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to adopt Resolution No. 2014-18, "Resolution Appointing Judges of Election for Federal, State, County and City Primary and General Elections to be held on August 12 and November 4, 2014, Respectively." Ayes – All.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Peterson referenced a blog written by Rose Eveleth. Some residents from Eveleth contacted Ms. Eveleth to invite her to attend the Eveleth Fourth of July celebrations in 2015.

Councilor Lillis referenced the booklet from the Library's 100th Anniversary. Lillis said the turnout from the celebration was spectacular.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Police Chief – Chief Koivunen wished everyone a safe and happy 4th of July.

Public Works Director – Director Wiskow indicated they are still in need of Eveleth residents to serve on the committee to test City water taste and smell.

City Engineer – Eric Fallstrom, Benchmark Engineering said that a preconstruction meeting will be held tomorrow at 7:30 a.m. at the City Hall to discuss the Hayes Street project.

Clerk-Administrator – Monahan-Junek announced the Eveleth Fire Department's first Annual Pancake Breakfast to be held on July 4, 2014 at the Fire Hall.

City Attorney Colosimo said that time is of the essence on the house issue at 804 Jones Street. The houses are so close together that it greatly impacts the neighbors. Glass and debris have been blowing around all winter, and it is very dangerous to walk near the house. Colosimo said his family owned the property at one time. He lived in the house as a child.

Eveleth resident, Sharyn Boudreau, from 710 Park Avenue questioned payment options and interest amounts for the assessment on the 2010 project. Monahan-Junek explained the assessment and payment options.

M. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Robert Vlasisavljevich, Mayor

Attest:

Jackie Monahan-Junek
City Clerk

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