

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
2:00 p.m., August 4, 2015
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

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

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; Rodney Flannigan, Benchmark Engineering

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

1. *Minutes of City Council Workshop held July 7, 2015;*
2. *Minutes of City Council Meeting held July 7, 2015; and*
3. *Minutes of City Council Workshop held July 22, 2015.*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the agenda. Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Payroll – June 16-30, 2015 in the amount of \$129,646.26
2. Approval of Payroll – July 1-15, 2015 in the amount of \$112,782.94
3. Approval of Claims – July 2015 in the amount of \$953,114.55
4. Removal of Joe Hall from Probationary Status effective August 23, 2015
5. Renewal Application for Optional Liquor 2AM License, Sue's Penalty Box, 311 Grant Ave.
6. Application for Exempt Permit, Eveleth Youth Hockey Association, at Eveleth Elks Lodge 1161, 415 ½ Jones Street

Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Lillis to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes – All.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 for Eveleth City Auditorium Main Level Restrooms Renovation: General Construction

Action taken below.

2. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 for Eveleth City Auditorium Main Level Restrooms Renovation: Mechanical Construction

Action taken below.

3. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 for Eveleth City Auditorium Main Level Restrooms Renovation: Electrical Construction

Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve the following change orders for the Eveleth City Auditorium Main Level Restrooms:

- *Change Order No. 1, General Construction, Lenci Enterprises, Inc. Contract Time increased by thirty-two (32) days;*
- *Change Order No. 1, Mechanical Construction, Radotich, Inc. Contract Time increased by thirty-two (32) days; and*
- *Change Order No. 1, Electrical Construction, Hometown Electric Contract Time increased by thirty-two (32) days.*

Ayes – All.

Director Wiskow explained that the completion date has been extended as the contractors are not able to get the materials delivered in time. With the thirty-two day extension, final completion is expected September 30, 2015.

4. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 for Hayes Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Change Order No. 1 for Hayes Street Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project in the amount of \$17,882.50. Ayes – All.

Director Wiskow explained the increased amount is to replace a clay tile storm sewer which was discovered to be in poor condition.

5. Pay Request No. 1/Final from Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$7,651.43 for Hayes Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Pay Request No. 1/Final from Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$7,651.43 for Hayes Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project. Ayes – All.

6. Consider rejecting quotation from Flow-Rite Pipes and Sewer LLC for 2015 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning & Televising

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to reject quotation from Flow-Rite Pipes and Sewer LLC for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning & Televising project in the amount of \$42,493.75. Ayes – All.

Director Wiskow explained that Flow-Rite Pipes was unable to enter into a Project Labor Agreement which is a requirement of the contract.

7. Consider accepting quotation for 2015 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning & Televising

The second lowest bidder for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning & Televising project (from March 17, 2015) was Empire Pipe Services.

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hadrava to accept quotation for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Cleaning & Televising project from Empire Pipe Services at a base bid of \$25,177.50 and an add alternate of \$24,094.00 totaling \$49,271.50. Ayes – All.

8. Consider Retirement Notice from Director of Public Works

Director Wiskow said it was a very difficult decision to retire. In November, he will have 16 ½ years working for the City of Eveleth. Prior to working in Eveleth, he worked for the City of Virginia for 19 years.

Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Lillis to accept retirement notice from Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow effective November 30, 2015. Ayes – All.

9. Consider authorizing City Staff to post internally, and externally if necessary, to fill the vacancy created by the pending retirement of the Director of Public Works

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Lillis to authorize City staff to post internally, and externally if necessary, to fill the vacancy created by the pending retirement of the Director of Public Works. Ayes – All.

10. Consider approving Pay Request No. 2 for Cleaning, Repairing, & Painting 200,000 Gallon West Eveleth Elevated Water Tower

Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Pay Request No. 2 in the amount of \$231,746.56 to Odland Protective Coatings, Inc., 7655 Vernon St., Rockford, MN, for Cleaning, Repairing & Painting the 200,000 Gallon West Eveleth Elevated Water Tower. Ayes – All.

Director Wiskow indicated they have started to fill the water tank. They hope to have the tank in service by the end of the week; after the water has been sampled for bacteria.

11. Pay Request No. 2/Final from G-Men Environmental Services in the amount of \$9,249.00 for 2014 Residential Building Demolition Project

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Pay Request No. 2/Final from G-Men Environmental Services in the amount of \$9,249.00 for 2014 Residential Building Demolition Project. Ayes – All.

12. Donation Agreement - Wells Fargo to City of Eveleth for 625 Summit St., Eveleth, MN

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Lillis to approve Donation Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank for property at 625 Summit Street, Eveleth, MN. Ayes – All.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich commented that the structure will need to be torn down.

13. Request from Eveleth Elks Lodge 1161 to use the City Auditorium, October 15-17, 2015

George Walters, Eveleth Elks Lodge, requested the use of the City Auditorium on October 15-17, 2015 for the Minnesota Elks mid-year conference. City Clerk/Administrator Monahan-Junek said the Elks will rent tables and chairs (unless the City has purchased them by that time). Discussion took place on repairing a broken window in the main room of the Auditorium.

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to authorize the Eveleth Elks Lodge 1161 to use the City Auditorium on October 15-17, 2015. Ayes – All.

14. Resolution Accepting Donation for Main Street Hanging Flower Baskets

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to adopt Resolution No. 2015-18, "Resolution Accepting Donation for Main Street Hanging Flower Baskets." Ayes – All.

15. Letter from Tom Gentilini, ISD 2154 School Board Member

The Council received a letter from ISD 2154 School Board Member Tom Gentilini requesting support to invest in manual arts.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich agreed that the basic skills are becoming a lost art.

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to support Eveleth-Gilbert Schools Emphasizing & Investing in Manual Arts. Ayes – All.

16. Request from Police Chief to sell forfeited vehicles

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hoag to authorize sale of the following forfeited vehicles via the usual and customary competitive bid process (Oberfoell Auctioneers/Do-Bid.com):

Vehicle #1: 1995 Mitsubishi Eclipse GSX, VIN#: 4A3AL54FXSE027992

Vehicle #2: 2008 Chrysler Sebring, VIN#: 1C3LC46K78N268132

Ayes – All.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Hoag said the soil boring testing is in process behind the Hall of Fame for the new Chicagami Daycare facility building.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich referred to an "epidemic of chicken farmers" in town. Vlasisavljevich reminded the public that farm animals are not considered pets. Pursuant to City Ordinance these animals are not allowed within the City limits.

Councilor Lillis reminded the public of National Night Out tonight from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Gatherings will be held at the Leonidas Community Center and the Veterans Lake Park. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich asked if the blight has tapered down. Chief Koivunen said the grass has not been growing as fast due to dry weather; however, the officers continue to follow up on blight complaints.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Police Chief: Chief Koivunen also commented on National Night Out. He announced that Life Link III is scheduled to land at the pavilion during the activities at the Veterans Park tonight. There will be prizes for children and adults. Food and beverages will be provided for all.

Public Works Director: Director Wiskow asked anyone who would like a tree planted in their boulevard to contact him within the next week.

M. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Robert Vlasisavljevich, Mayor

Attest:

Jackie Monahan-Junek
City Clerk Administrator

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