

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Meeting**  
**7:00 p.m., October 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

Staff 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; Assistant Public Works Director, Jerry Rosati; Rodney Flannigan, Benchmark Engineering

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

- 1. Minutes of City Council Workshop held September 15, 2015;*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Meeting held September 15, 2015; and*
- 3. Minutes of Special City Council Meeting held September 22, 2015.*

*Ayes – All.*

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the Agenda with the following additions:*

- J13. Authorize J & S Excavating to complete add/alternates for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project*
- J14. Purchase new snow blower attachment for John Deere Riding Lawn Mower to be used at the Hippodrome*

*Ayes – All.*

## **E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

### **1. Consider appointment of Luke Bjorge to the Parks Commission**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to appoint Luke Bjorge to the Park Commission for the term effective 10/06/2015 to 1/31/2017. Ayes – All.*

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

None.

## **G. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Payroll – September 1-15, 2015 in the amount of \$101,301.51
2. Approval of Claims – September 2015 in the amount of \$766,912.46
3. Agreement Between Mesabi Range College and Eveleth Ambulance Service for a Student Clinical Experience Program
4. Facilities Use Agreement Between the City of Eveleth and the Eveleth Elks Lodge #1161 for use of the City Auditorium, October 15-17, 2015

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

The Council discussed the Auditorium building. It will more than likely not be ready for the Elks to use for their event on October 15-17, 2015.

## **H. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

## **I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **J. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Right of Entry Agreement with Clark Blackwood and Blackwood's Concrete Inc. for 408 Fayal Road, Eveleth, MN**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the Right of Entry Agreement with Clark Blackwood and Blackwood's Concrete Inc. for 408 Fayal Road, Eveleth, Minnesota. Ayes – All.*

### **2. Resolution Authorizing the City of Eveleth to Make Application To and Accept Funds From the IRRRB Development Infrastructure Grant Program for a New Chicagami Building**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to adopt Resolution No. 2015-22, “Resolution Authorizing the City of Eveleth to Make Application To and Accept Funds From the IRRRB Development Infrastructure Grant Program for a New Chicagami Building.” Ayes – All.*

**3. Law Enforcement Service Agreement Between the City of Eveleth and the Town of Fayal for 2016**

*Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the Law Enforcement Service Agreement Between the City of Eveleth and the Town of Fayal for 2016. Ayes – All.*

Chief Koivunen said the Town of Fayal is very pleased with the agreement. Mayor Vlaisavljevich has received many compliments from Fayal Board Members. They appreciate the police presence.

**4. Request from Police Chief to sell forfeited vehicle**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the sale of forfeited vehicle 1: 2008 Kawasaki 250 KX Off Highway Motorcycle, VIN: JKAKXMTC48A024560 using the usual and customary competitive bid process through Oberfoell Auctioneers/Do.Bid.com. Ayes – All.*

**5. Consider approving Pay Request No. 9 (Final) for Eveleth City Auditorium Renovation Phase II**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Pay Request No. 9 (Final) to Lenci Enterprises, Inc. for the Eveleth City Auditorium Renovation Phase II in the amount of \$7,801.86. Ayes – All.*

**6. Consider approving Change Order No. 3 for Eveleth City Auditorium Main Level Restrooms Renovation: General Construction**

*Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Change Order No. 3 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. for the Eveleth City Auditorium Main Level Restrooms Renovation: General Construction in the amount of \$1,730.00. Ayes – All.*

The change order reflects the addition of new toilet partitions for the east restroom.

**7. Consider approving Change Order No. 4 for Eveleth City Auditorium Main Level Restrooms Renovation: General Construction**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to approve Change Order No. 4 from Lenci Enterprises, Inc. for the Eveleth City Auditorium Main Level Restroom Renovation: General Construction in the amount of \$424.00. Ayes – All.*

The increase by change order was to remove an existing mirror in the sitting room off of the west restroom.

**8. Consider approving Pay Request No. 1 for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Pay Request No. 1 to Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$170,335.65 for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project. Ayes – All.*

**9. Consider approving Change Order No. 1 for the 2014 Street & Alley Improvements Project**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to approve Change Order No. 1 to Mesabi Bituminous, Inc., in the amount of \$6,932.20 for the 2014 Street & Alley Improvements Project. Ayes – All.*

**10. Consider approving Pay Request No. 6 (Final) for the 2014 Street & Alley Improvements project**

*Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Pay Request No. 6 (Final) to Mesabi Bituminous, Inc. in the amount of \$26,874.14 for the 2014 Street and Alley Improvements Project. Ayes – All.*

**11. Consider authorizing the Director of Public Works to submit a pre-application for the St. Louis County Community Development Block Grant program**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Lillis to authorize the Director of Public Works to submit a pre-application for the St. Louis County Community Development Block Grant Program for replacement of the 8” of sanitary sewer main in the 700 & 800 blocks of Pierce Street. Ayes – All.*

**12. Consider approving a starting date for Assistant Public Works Director Scott Smith**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to approve October 16, 2015 as the starting date for Assistant Public Works Director Scott Smith. Ayes – All.*

**13. Consider approving purchase of a new fountain for Fayal Pond**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve purchase of a new fountain for Fayal Pond in the amount of \$6,177.00. Ayes – All.*

The City's insurance will cover the expense to replace the fountain minus the \$500 deductible.

Councilor Hoag suggested some motion detector floodlights be installed near the fountain. Councilor Lillis proposed going beyond the lights and installing an alarm system in the power box which would send notification to a pager. Councilor Hadrava said law enforcement could be paged in the event of a power loss.

**14. Authorize J & S Excavating to complete add/alternates for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Lillis to authorize J & S Excavating to complete add/alternates for the 2015 Sanitary Sewer Replacement Projects as follows:*

*Add/Alternate #1 – replacing a section of sanitary sewer adjacent to the section being replaced on Monroe Street (bid cost of \$20,925.00);*

*Add/Alternate #2 – Replace the sanitary sewer in the 300 block of Jackson Street (bid cost of \$48,327.00).*

*Ayes – All.*

**15. Authorize Purchase of new snow blower attachment for John Deere Riding Lawn Mower to be used at the Hippodrome**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to authorize purchase of a new snow blower attachment from Five Seasons in the amount of \$3,490.00 for the John Deere riding lawn mower to be used at the Hippodrome. Ayes – All.*

**K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Ray Kovakovich, 1011 Grant Avenue, Eveleth, MN was the winner of two Minnesota Wild Hockey tickets for the October 24<sup>th</sup> game.

Councilor Lillis announced that St. Raphael’s Nursing Home will be holding a “Run for Hope” on Saturday, October 17, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. Funds raised will be used to support breast cancer awareness.

Councilor Hadrava said the Council was updated on the bicycle/snowmobile trails that will connect to Virginia (with the reconstruction of Highway 53).

Mayor Vlasisavljevich acknowledged a thank you note received from the residents at Lincoln Place Apartments. The City installed a new outdoor concrete patio. Vlasisavljevich said the Town of Fayal and City of Gilbert are interested in combining sanitary sewer districts with Eveleth. He said that Fayal, Gilbert and Eveleth should also meet to discuss the potential of joint fire departments.

**L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

Police Chief – Chief Koivunen thanked the Council for their support to add a canine unit to the Police Department. The canine is expected to begin working by spring or early summer of 2016.

Public Works - Director Jerry Rosati reminded the public of the Fall Clean-up Schedule.

**M. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

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Robert Vlasisavljevich, Mayor

Attest:

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Jackie Monahan-Junek  
City Clerk Administrator

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