

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Meeting**  
**7:00 p.m., October 18, 2011**  
**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 Joseph Koivunen, Present  
Councilor Brian Hoag, Present  
Councilor Bradley Hadrava, Present  
Mayor Robert Vlasisavljevich, Present

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

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Peterson to approve the Minutes of Special City Council Meeting held September 29, 2011; Minutes of City Council Workshop held October 4, 2011 and Minutes of City Council Meeting held October 4, 2011. Ayes – All.*

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**G. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Payroll – September 16-30, 2011 in the amount of \$115,158.87
2. Request for Sgt. Ness to attend Toward Zero Deaths Conference, November 16-17,2011, Duluth, MN

3. Renewal of Joint Powers Agreement with Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and adoption of Resolution No. 2011-20, “Resolution Approving State of Minnesota Joint Powers Agreements with the City of Eveleth on Behalf of Its City Attorney and Police Department.”

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

## **H. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

## **I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **J. NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Request for Financial Assistance from Eveleth Health Services Park Fitzgerald Nursing Home**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to provide a loan up to \$102,500 to Eveleth Health Services Park Fitzgerald Nursing Home contingent upon the Eveleth Health Services Park Fitzgerald Nursing Home signing a Promissory Note with the City. Ayes – All.*

- 2. Consider proposals from Benchmark Engineering and SEH regarding proposed development of City owned gravel pit in Fayal Township**

*Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Koivunen to accept proposal from Benchmark Engineering for the proposed development of the City owned gravel pit in Fayal Township. Ayes – All.*

- 3. Consider approving extension for Bulk Water Purchase Agreement with the Town of Fayal**

*Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the extension for Bulk Water Purchase Agreement with the Town of Fayal through May 14, 2018. Ayes – All.*

- 4. Consider approving revised curbside recycling schedule for 2012**

*Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve the Revised Curbside Recycling Schedule for 2012. Ayes – All.*

Director Wiskow informed the Council that over the last 10 years, the City has seen a decrease in the curbside recycling collected during the four day pickup schedule. Beginning in 2012, the City will change the pickup schedule to three days a month.

**5. Consider authorizing Benchmark Engineering to perform engineering field work for reconstruction of Hat Trick Avenue and Station 44 Road**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to authorize Benchmark Engineering to perform engineering field work for reconstruction of Hat Trick Avenue and Station 44 Road. Ayes – All.*

**6. Revised 2011/2012 Contract with The American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO Local Union 484**

*Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the revised 2011/2012 Contract with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO Local Union 484. Ayes – Peterson, Koivunen, Hoag, Vlaisavljevich. Abstained – Hadrava (due to conflict of interest). Motion carried.*

**7. Request from North County Christian Center to insert Eveleth Christmas Food Drive information in City water bill**

*Motion by Councilor Peterson, second by Councilor Koivunen to grant request from North County Christian Center to insert Eveleth Christmas Food Drive information in City water bill. Ayes – All.*

**8. Retirement Notice from Steve Sklors, Fire Chief**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to accept notice of retirement from Fire Chief Steve Sklors effective January 1, 2012 and to send a letter of thanks for his years of service. Ayes – All.*

**9. Approval of Fire Chief Job Description**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the Fire Chief Job Description. Ayes – All.*

**10. Donations Request from C.A.R.E. Commission**

*Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Koivunen to donate \$500.00 to the C.A.R.E. Commission. Ayes – All.*

**K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Doug Palazzari announced the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Face-Off Classic Women's College Game between the Bemidji State Beavers and

Lindenwood University. The game will be held November 10, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hippodrome. There is no charge for admission.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich read a note from a resident complimenting the Public Works Department for cleaning her yard after wind damage knocked down some trees.

Councilor Peterson informed the Council that she will not be at the November 1<sup>st</sup> Council Meeting.

**L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

Public Works Director: Director Wiskow reminded the public that next week will be the last week for the fall refuse collection at the City Garage.

City Engineer: Eric Fallstrom thanked the City for allowing Benchmark the opportunity to work on the gravel pit in Fayal.

**M. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Attest:

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Robert Vlasisavljevich, Mayor

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Stephanie A. Friebe  
Deputy City Clerk

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