

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Meeting**  
**7:00 p.m., November 1, 2016**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

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

Also present: Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Doug Gregor; Chief of Police Tim Koivunen; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati; Rodney Flannigan, Benchmark Engineering

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

- 1. Minutes of City Council Workshop held October 18, 2016; and*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Meeting held October 18, 2016.*

*Ayes – All.*

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve the agenda with removal of the following:*

- J2. Consider approving Facilities Use Agreement with Independent School District No. 2154 for the Eveleth Hippodrome*

*Ayes – All.*

**E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

None.

## **G. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Payroll – October 1-15, 2016 in the amount of \$110,879.45
2. Approval of Claims – October 2016 in the amount of \$477,618.61
3. 2017 Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant Contract
4. 2017 Annual Audit Engagement Letter
5. Lease for Lawful Gambling Activity, Chicagami at The Rink Sports Bar & Grill, 301 Hat Trick Ave., Eveleth, MN
6. Memorandum of Agreement Between City of Virginia and The Central Iron Range Brownfield Coalition

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

## **H. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

## **I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

## **J. NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Technology Services Agreement between Cities of Eveleth and Gilbert**

In Chief Police Koivunen's letter to the Council dated October 18, 2016, he outlined that the agreement with Gilbert would create a more consistent basis and description of computer/IT services provided by Steve Peterson, Technology Consultant IT Manager/EMS Director for the City of Gilbert. Steve Peterson has been handling the Eveleth Police Department's computer needs for several years.

Councilor Lillis said this is a situation where the City of Eveleth and the City of Gilbert are cooperating with one another. He said the agreement will keep the Police Department computers and systems operating. Lillis said the Police Department has become heavily technology based as most clerical functions are done digitally. He said that Peterson is knowledgeable and certified to operate the system.

*Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hoag to approve the Technology Services Agreement between Cities of Eveleth and Gilbert for the Eveleth Police Department. Ayes – All.*

### **2. Consider approving Facilities Use Agreement with Independent School District No. 2154 for the Eveleth Hippodrome**

This item was removed from agenda.

**3. Removal of mechanic worker from probationary status**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to change the employment status for Jaymes Cuff from probationary employee to regular employee effective November 16, 2016, and that his salary be increased to 100% of the classification wage in accordance with the AFSCME contract. Ayes – All.*

**4. Pay Request No. 4 from Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$14,565.40 for Pierce Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hoag to approve Pay Request No. 4 from Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$14,565.40 for Pierce Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project. Ayes – All.*

**5. Pay Request No. 1 from Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$40,669.98 for Garfield Street Storm Sewer Repairs**

*Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve Pay Request No. 1 from Jola & Sopp Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$40,669.98 for Garfield Street Storm Sewer Repairs. Ayes – All.*

**6. Bids for Auditorium general repairs**

The City received the following bids on October 27, 2016 for the Eveleth Auditorium Renovation:

Max Gray Construction Hibbing, MN	\$219,700.00
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Lenci Enterprises, Inc. Virginia, MN	\$247,700.00
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*Motion by Councilor Hoag, second by Councilor Hadrava to accept the bid from Max Gray Construction, Hibbing, MN, in the amount of \$219,700.00 for general repairs to the Eveleth Auditorium. Ayes – All.*

**7. Quote for Fire Department turn-out gear**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to approve the quotation from Fire Safety USA, Inc. for Fire Department turn-out gear in the amount of \$14,684.75. Ayes – All.*

Councilor Lillis stated that the Fire Department has been operating with some old gear. The new gear is a budgeted item for 2016.

**8. Request from Police Chief to sell forfeited vehicles**

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Hoag to authorize Police Chief to sell the following vehicles by the usual and customary competitive bid process through Oberfoell Auctioneers/Do-Bid.com:*

*Vehicle #1: 1999 Dodge Ram Pickup Truck (VIN: 1B7KF2363XJ6300005)*

*Vehicle #2: 2001 Chrysler PT Cruiser (VIN: 3C8FY4BB21T617895)*

*Ayes – All.*

#### **9. Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement Between the Lake Superior Drug and Violent Crime Task Force**

Chief Police Koivunen explained that the joint agreement with Lake Superior Drug and Violent Crime Task Force will open avenues for employees and shared equipment.

*Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve the Amended and Restated Joint Powers Agreement Between the Lake Superior Drug and Violent Crime Task Force. Ayes – All.*

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

Councilor Hadrava and Koivunen encouraged the public to vote at the upcoming General Election.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said he has been receiving emails from RAMS wanting towns to pass resolutions concerning sulfate standards. Vlasisavljevich said that towns should get together and hire legal counsel to determine how beneficial the sulfate standards would be to the community. In his opinion, resolutions are symbolic. The only way for action is through the legal channels.

#### **L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

Police Chief – Chief Koivunen reported that the rain and drizzle slowed down Halloween compared to years past.

Noel Lind, 714 Fayal Road, was the winner of two Minnesota Wild Hockey tickets.

#### **M. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

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Robert Vlasisavljevich, Mayor

Attest:

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Jackie Monahan-Junek  
City Clerk Administrator

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