

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Workshop
February 3, 2015
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN
6:15 p.m.

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

Also present: Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Bonnie Thayer; Chief of Police Timothy Koivunen; Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow; Eric Fallstrom, Benchmark Engineering; Consultant Dave Salene

1. Discuss submitting requests for Drinking Water and Clean Water Revolving Fund program

Director Wiskow explained the annual notice for the Clean Water Revolving Fund program. He recommended removing the water main replacement from the project list.

2. Discuss proposal from Benchmark Engineering for Eveleth Hippodrome Dehumidification Study

The Council would like to proceed with hiring Benchmark Engineering for a dehumidification study at the Hippodrome. Benchmark will utilize Stantec Consulting Services as the sub-consultant.

3. Answer questions regarding Aqua Power agenda items

Dave Salene explained the resolution to approve the tax abatement for Aqua Power and the contract for development. The tax abatement will continue with the property for 20 years to include any potential future property owners.

4. Discuss Roller Underground's request to use the Hippodrome

The Roller Underground has requested the use of the Hippodrome for their scheduled "bouts" or games during the 2015 season. Director Wiskow explained that the building needs to be staffed and would be considered overtime staff charges at \$40.00 per hour, per staff member. Councilor Koivunen suggested charging \$250.00 for each rental. The group would need to be notified that some of the dates requested may not be available.

Discussion took place on the possibility of using the Hippodrome if the City were to win the Kraft Hockeyville award.

5. Discuss former Days Inn/Holiday Inn Property

The Council will hold a closed session at the next Council Meeting to discuss a real estate offer. Attorney Thayer referred to her memo to the Council regarding the Eminent Domain procedure for the Steve Carlson property.

6. Discuss dates for meeting with the Police Commission and Fire Commission, and date for meeting with the same at the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum

The Council will meet with the Fire and Police Commissions on February 10th. Mayor Vlaisavljevich said the meeting is a courtesy to the commission members to discuss any ideas they may have. The public meeting will be held at a later date at the Hockey Hall of Fame Museum. Councilor Lillis would like there to be sufficient time to notify the public of the meeting.

7. Update on discussions regarding the Gilbert food shelf

The Food Shelf is planning to stay in Gilbert.

8. Discuss Kraft Hockeyville

This item was discussed above.

9. Agenda Q&A

The following items were changed on the agenda:

(removed)

- J5. Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Real Estate and Purchase Agreement for Sale of Lots in Volcansek Addition No. 2 to Pollyann Sorcan
- J6. Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Real Estate and Purchase Agreement for Sale of Lots in Volcansek Addition No. 2 to Myron Cook and Janet Cook

(added)

- J7. Discuss Parking Lot at the Clinic

- J8. Proposal from Benchmark Engineering for Eveleth Hippodrome Dehumidification Study
- J9. Finalize Athletica Sports System Offer regarding rink panels at Northside Park
- J10. Request from Roller Underground to use the Hippodrome