

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Workshop
February 16, 2016
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; Director of Public Works Jerry Rosati; Assistant Public Works Director Scott Smith

1. 2016 discretionary capital

Public Works Director Rosati discussed the public works wish list. The Council highlighted the following priorities:

- Contractor Inspection of 2,000,000 Gallon Ground Storage Reservoir & 750,000 Gallon Elevated Water Tower (\$10,000);
- Purchase Leak Detection Device & Computer hand held model (\$32,000 – Rosati to get more quotes);
- Purchase 8 Recycling Dumpsters (\$3,000);
- Re-Roof Wastewater Treatment Plant Office/Blower Building (\$20,000);
- Replace Dump Box on Truck #13 (\$22,400);
- Curb and Sidewalk Replacement (\$30,000);
- Reforestation in Boulevards (\$10,000);
- Replace shingle roofing at the Veterans Park Pavilion (\$40,000 – Rosati to get more quotes);
- Disc Golf Course as proposed by Park Commission (\$5,000);
- Replace 2001 John Deere Fairway Mower (\$35,000);
- Install electrical service at RRCC Run Sliding Hill Warming Shack (\$5,500); and
- Insulate and sheet building interior RRCC Run Sliding Hill Warm Shack (\$2,000).

Discussion took place on the mural across from the Big Stick. Councilor Hadrava would like Rosati to get some quotes on replacing the mural.

2. Update on discussions with City of Virginia to allow them to run gas lines in City ROW and through City Lands to serve Midway residents

Mayor Vlasisavljevich and Director Rosati met with Nancy Gram to discuss allowing the City of Virginia to run gas lines in Eveleth's right of way in order to serve Midway residents. The gas line reroute is due to the relocation of Highway 53. Mayor Vlasisavljevich proposed a \$100,000 fee for the easement. Gram counter offered with a recommendation that the City of Virginia make a road (at their expense) while running the gas line on Eveleth's property.

3. OHV Trail Update – Councilor Hadrava

Councilor Hadrava recently met with Bob Irish to discuss connecting the OHV trails. St. Louis County will be passing a new law which will allow the drivers of 4-wheelers to use a County road or City Road (if City agrees). Since the gas line will be connected for Midway residents, the proposal is to get permission from the City of Virginia to connect the trail. Hadrava clarified the trail proposal on a map for the Council.

4. Discuss election polling places

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said the residents at Lincoln Place are excited about the idea of voting at the City Auditorium. The Council is in favor of moving forward with combining the Hippodrome and Senior High School polling places, and proceed with voting at the City Auditorium. The West Eveleth residents will continue to vote at the Leonidas Community Center.

5. Closed Session – Labor Negotiations under PELRA

The Council went into closed session at 6:30 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations under PELRA. The regular workshop meeting reconvened at 6:34 p.m.

6. Agenda Q&A