

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

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

Also present: City Clerk Administrator Jackie Monahan-Junek; Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Mike Patchin; Chief of Police Timothy Koivunen; Assistant Director of Public Works Jerry Rosati; Rodney Flannigan, Benchmark Engineering

Others present: Virginia City Council Member Charlie Baribeau, Bill Aho

1. Discuss calling for quotation to renovate two existing restrooms on the first floor at the City Auditorium

During Phase II of the City Auditorium renovation, the City Council authorized Stantec Consulting to prepare plans for renovation of the two existing restrooms on the first floor. The original cost proposal was submitted by Lenci Enterprises, but rejected by the Council due to the high cost.

The consensus of the council is to authorize Stantec to once again call for quotations on the two existing restrooms.

City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek suggested a sink and counter (with outlets) be installed. This would allow hosts to serve coffee and food during meetings or gatherings.

2. Charlie Baribeau, RAMS President Candidate

Virginia City Councilor Charlie Baribeau is a candidate for RAMS (Range Association of Municipalities and Schools) President. Baribeau distributed information to the Council regarding his credentials. He said that RAMS has become dysfunctional, and the bylaws need revising. He is looking for support from the Eveleth City Council. Eveleth City Councilor Brad Hadrava is also on the RAMS ballot for Board Member.

3. Discuss Hockey Day

City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek received an email from John Maher of Minnesota Wild. Maher wants to gauge the City's interest in the possibility of hosting

Hockey Day Minnesota 2016 or another future Hockey Day. Minnesota Wild has not yet made a decision as it is still being determined whether or not Hockey Day Minnesota will be played at the TCF Bank Stadium in conjunction with the Stadium Series game scheduled for February 21, 2016.

Monahan-Junek will help to draft a letter for the school and Eveleth Gilbert Youth Hockey to sign and send to Minnesota Wild indicating Eveleth is still interested.

4. Discuss tower lease

Monahan-Junek discussed the tower lease at 902 North Elba. The lessee would like to extend the lease for several decades or possibly buy the land. The Council is not interested in selling the land.

5. Agenda Q&A

The following changes were made to the agenda:

(Removed)

G2. Approval of Claims – February 2015

(Added)

J9. Resolution in Support of the Public Process to Designate Waters Subject to the MPCA Water Wild Rice Quality Standard

Virginia City Councilor Charlie Baribeau informed the Council there will be a Highway 53 Meeting on March 24, 2015 at the Virginia City Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m.