

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Workshop
4:30 p.m., November 6, 2014
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN

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

Also present: City Clerk Administrator Jackie Monahan-Junek; Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Bonnie Thayer; Chief of Police Timothy Koivunen; Director of Public Works Michael Wiskow; Eric Fallstrom, Benchmark Engineering

1. Consider establishing a hiring committee to review applications, interview candidates, and recommend an eligibility list for filling future Operator/Maintenance Worker vacancies

Councilor Koivunen and Councilor Hadrava will serve on the hiring committee with Councilor Lillis as the alternate. Public Works Director Wiskow, Assistant Public Works Director Jerry Rosati, and City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek will also serve on the committee.

2. Discuss policy for customers that fail to read their water meter

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said the City needs to be more diligent with customers who fail to read their meters. Councilor Koivunen said there are a few businesses in town that do not read the meter. Councilor Hadrava said that some home owners also are not reading.

Councilor Peterson asked if a notice could be given to homeowners letting them know about the option to have an automatic meter installed. Councilor Hadrava asked if special consideration is given to elderly residents unable to get a meter read. Director Wiskow said the City has a policy for residents physically unable to read their meters.

3. Discuss Business Subsidy Policy and Criteria

Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek explained that the subsidy policy is on the schedule for the public hearing. However, the Council will not be taking action tonight on the revised business subsidy policy.

4. City Council closed session under Minn. Stat. Sec. 13D.05, Subd. 3(c)3 to consider offers for the possible purchase of real property

The Council went into closed session to discuss possible purchase of real property. The regular workshop reconvened at 4:48 p.m.

5. Agenda Q&A

Councilor Hadrava questioned whether or not Uland Brothers have been filling in wetlands in Virginia at their new location. Monahan-Junek said she does not know, but will make some calls to find out.