

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
5:00 p.m., January 8, 2019
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilor John Rauzi, 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 Mitch Brunfelt; Police Chief Tim Koivunen; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- 1. Minutes of City Council Workshops held December 4, 2018;*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Meeting held December 4, 2018; and*
- 3. Minutes of Truth in Taxation Hearing held December 4, 2018.*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve the agenda with the following additions:

- J9. Carter Circle Lots Listing with Pfremer Realty*
- J10. Closed session to discuss Labor Union negotiations*

Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Payroll – December 1-15, 2018 in the amount of \$105,463.16
2. Approval of Payroll – December 16-31, 2018 in the amount of \$142,097.57
3. Approval of Claims – December 2018 in the amount of \$612,721.14
4. 2019 Land Licenses in Alice Location (*This item was tabled*)
5. Request for Police Chief to attend the 2019 Executive Training Institute, St. Cloud, April 14-17, 2018
6. Request for City Council & City Administrator to attend the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities Legislative Action Day, St. Paul, January 30, 2019
7. Resignation Letter from William Olson, EMT

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Lillis to approve Consent Agenda Items G1, G2, G3, G5, G6, G7; to table Consent Agenda Item G4; and to send a letter of thanks to William Olson for his EMT service. Ayes – All.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Appoint Acting Mayor

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Rauzi to appoint Councilor Koivunen to serve as the acting mayor for any absences of Mayor Robert Vlasisavljevich. Ayes – All.

2. City Council Board & Liaison Appointments

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the following Council Board & Liaison Appointments:

<i>Building and Grounds</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava & Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>Donations Committee</i>	<i>Councilor Lillis & Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>Eveleth-Virginia Airport Authority</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava (Councilor Koivunen, alternate)</i>
<i>Eveleth-Virginia Airport Authority Zoning Board</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>*Economic Development Authority</i>	<i>Councilor Rauzi & Councilor Lillis</i>
<i>*Golf Course Commission</i>	<i>Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>*Joint ATV/OHM/Snowmobile Trail Board</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>Joint Cable Commission</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich</i>
<i>Joint Recreation Board</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>Library Board</i>	<i>Councilor Rauzi</i>
<i>*Parks Commission</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>Personnel Sub-Committee</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich & Councilor Hadrava (Councilor Koivunen)</i>
<i>Police Commission</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich</i>
<i>Planning Commission</i>	<i>Councilor Rauzi</i>
<i>Public Safety</i>	<i>Councilor Lillis & Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>Public Utilities</i>	<i>Councilor Lillis & Mayor Vlasisavljevich</i>
<i>*Quad Cities Joint Recreation Authority Board</i>	<i>Councilor Koivunen</i>
<i>Streets and Alleys</i>	<i>Councilor Koivunen & Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>*VEEDA Board</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich</i>
<i>Marketing Committee</i>	<i>Mayor Vlasisavljevich & Councilor Hadrava</i>
<i>*HRA (1 permanent; 1 temporary)</i>	<i>Councilor Rauzi & Councilor Lillis (temp)</i>
<i>RAMS</i>	<i>Councilor Hadrava</i>

**Councilors are voting members*

Ayes – All.

3. Designate Official Newspaper

The City of Eveleth received quotations from the Hometown Focus and Mesabi Daily News to serve as the City’s official newspaper.

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Rauzi to designate the Mesabi Daily News as the City of Eveleth’s official newspaper for the year 2019. Ayes – All.

4. Designate Depository

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Lillis to designate the Miners National Bank, Eveleth, MN as the depository for the City of Eveleth for the year 2019. Ayes – All.

5. Resolution Appointing a Responsible Authority and Assigning Duties

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Hadrava to adopt Resolution No. 2019-01, “Resolution Appointing a Responsible Authority and Assigning Duties.” Ayes – All.

6. Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Real Estate to Gary & Susan Rice (lots 10D & 11D, Carlson's Second Addition to the City of Eveleth) and Restrictive Covenants

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Real Estate to Gary & Susan Rice (lots 10D & 11D, Carlson's Second Addition to the City of Eveleth) and Restrictive Covenants. Ayes – All.

7. Application for Exempt Permit, Curl Mesabi, Inc. at the Range Recreation Civic Center, March 21, 2019

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve the Application for Exempt Permit, Curl Mesabi, Inc. at the Range Recreation Civic Center, March 21, 2019. Ayes – All.

8. Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo, Eveleth Gilbert Bears PTA at Range Recreation Civic Center, April 7, 2019

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve Application to Conduct Excluded Bingo, Eveleth Gilbert Bears PTA at Range Recreation Civic Center, April 7, 2019. Ayes – All.

9. Carter Circle Lots Listing with Pfremer Realty

The listing of Carter Circle lots has expired with Pfremer Realty. The price per lot is \$5,000 and there will be a \$500 commission fee for each lot sold.

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the listing of Carter Circle Lots with Pfremer Realty contingent that Lot 1 may be split and repriced. Ayes – All.

10. Closed session to discuss Labor Union negotiations

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Rauzi to go into closed session to discuss labor union negotiations. Ayes – All.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Lillis reported on an ambulance service meeting a few weeks ago. Lillis said there has been quite a bit of progress in the right direction compared to the end of 2017. The Eveleth Ambulance Operations Supervisor has been onsite since July of 2018. They are seeing positive things, and all of the shifts have been filled without any problems. The ambulance had a record 851 runs in 2018. Transfers are the money making part of the ambulance and the service has been able to take more transfer runs. The electronic patient reporting system is working. Lillis suggested the Council will need to look at replacing the 2004 ambulance. The Public Safety Committee will be coming up with recommendations to

report to the Council. Councilor Lillis spoke well of Medical Director Dr. Julie Houle. The staff is impressed that Dr. Houle has become very involved with the Ambulance Service and has a good reputation.

Councilor Hadrava said it is good to move forward. Councilor Koivunen the Ambulance Service has come a long way.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said that it is time to start looking for a new rig. He said, "We have to update the equipment." Councilor Koivunen said, "We have a lot of talented people and need the equipment to get it done." Councilor Lillis said, "We have increased the number of transfers--that was the benchmark to replacing the vehicle."

Gene Kotnik was the winner of two Minnesota Wild Hockey tickets for the February 17th game.

Councilor Lillis welcomed new elect Councilor Rauzi aboard.

Councilor Hadrava said the area lost Tom Rukavina. Hadrava shared his condolences and said that Rukavina was a great legislator for all of us. Mayor Vlasisavljevich said that Tom Rukavina's word meant something and was "as good as gold."

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

None.

M. ADJOURN

The Council went into closed session to discuss labor negotiations at 5:24 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.