

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
5:00 p.m., February 21, 2023
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 Jim Perpich, Present
Councilor John Rauzi, 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; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati; Police Chief Jesse Linde; City Attorney Joel Lewicki; Benchmark Engineering, Alan Johnson

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- 1. Minutes of City Council Workshop Meeting held February 3, 2023;*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Workshop Meeting held February 7, 2023; and*
- 3. Minutes of City Council Meeting held February 7, 2023.*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to approve the Agenda. Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

1. Reappointment of Luke Bjorge to the Park Commission

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Perpich to reappoint Luke Bjorge to the Park Commission for term 2/21/2023 to 1/31/2025. Ayes – All.

2. Application from Jay Del Caro for Planning Commission

Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Rauzi to appoint Jay Del Caro to the Planning Commission for term 2/21/2023 to 1/31/2027. Ayes – All.

F. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Payroll – February 1-15, 2023 in the amount of \$127,987.74**
- 2. Request for Police Chief to attend 2023 MN Chiefs of Police Association Executive Training in Duluth, Minnesota on April 11-14, 2023**

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Perpich to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes – All.

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

I. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Second Reading of an Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Ordinance No. 71, 2nd Series, Cable Franchise to Mediacom Minnesota, LLC**

Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 79, 2nd Series, “An Ordinance Repealing and Replacing Ordinance No. 71, 2nd Series, Cable Franchise to Mediacom Minnesota, LLC.” Ayes – All.

- 2. Request from Roller Underground to rent the Hippodrome for practice and to host bouts in 2023**

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve request from Roller Underground to rent the Hippodrome for practice and hosting bouts in 2023 as follows:

- Hippodrome Rental for 2 days per week for weekly practice (Mondays and Thursdays from 6-8 p.m.) at a rate of \$50 each practice day;*
- Use the small closet in the Hippodrome for storage of league supplies; and*
- Hippodrome Rental on game day, \$250 per event.*

Ayes – All.

3. Request to extend Fire Officer Terms

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve extending Fire Officer Terms to April 4, 2023. Ayes – All.

The Public Safety Committee is currently reviewing the applications received for the fire officer positions.

4. Resolution Accepting K-9 Donations

Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Rauzi to adopt Resolution No. 2023-05, “Resolution Accepting K-9 Donations” and to send a letter of thanks to Randall Reicher, Kim Hall and Eric Obeidzinski. Ayes – All.

J. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Rauzi reported that the EDA will be meeting on February 23rd to review bids for the Pocket Park and the Lincoln Place Improvements Projects.

Councilor Perpich reported on the recent Park Commission Meeting. They are hoping to make more improvements to the Veterans Park and install outlets at the Northside Park (near the cemetery end) for more Christmas decorations.

Councilor Lillis reported that the Land Committee will be meeting on Thursday. The Public Safety Committee will also be meeting soon to review the applications for the fire officers.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich referred to an article in the *Mesabi Tribune* which discussed Bob Streetar’s presentation to the Rock Ridge School Board. Streetar is working as a consultant for the City Eveleth to explore possible future uses for the Eveleth school site once the students move into the new building located in Progress Parkway. Vlasisavljevich is aware of several individuals interested in serving on the prospective planning committee for the site. He said the City will hold a formal meeting in the future with Bob Streetar at the City Auditorium which will be open to the public.

K. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Michelle Coldagelli was the winner of two Minnesota Wild Hockey tickets sponsored by the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum.

L. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:12 p.m.