

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
2:00 p.m., April 2, 2024
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 2:00 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; City Attorney Joel Lewicki; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati; Police Chief Jesse Linde; Alan Johnson and Alan Nelson, Benchmark Engineering

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- 1. Minutes of City Council Meeting held February 20, 2024;*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Workshop held February 21, 2024;*
- 3. Minutes of City Council Meeting held March 12, 2024;*
- 4. Minutes of City Council Workshop held March 12, 2024;*
- 5. Minutes of City Council Workshop held March 18, 2024; and*
- 6. Minutes of City Council Meeting held March 19, 2024.*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the agenda. Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

- 1. North St. Louis County Habitat for Humanity – Nathan Thompson & Tucker Nelson**

Nathan Tompson, North St. Louis County Habitat for Humanity, gave an update on the West Eveleth projects. Tompson said the first house constructed on the Iron Range was built in Eveleth and that they have a long partnership with Eveleth.

Tucker Nelson, Community Engagement Coordinator, announced the Habitat for Humanity Open House and home dedication scheduled in West Eveleth for Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. Nelson encouraged anyone interested in volunteering to help with building a house to go their website for further information.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said he has always liked the program. Vlasisavljevich said it is a nice start for families giving them a source of pride to own a new home.

The Council thanked Tompson and Nelson.

F. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Payroll – March 1-15, 2024 in the amount of \$150,097.99**
- 2. Approval of Claims – March 2024 in the amount of \$983,600.35**

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Perpich to approve Consent Agenda Items No. F.1 and F.1. Ayes – All.

- 3. Removal of Park & Recreation Worker from probationary status**

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to approve removal of Park & Recreation Worker, Daulton Everson, from probationary status. Ayes – All.

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

I. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Second Reading of a Proposed Ordinance Repealing Chapter 10, Section 10.22 (Hazardous Conditions) and Ordinance 76, 2nd Series (An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7, Section 7.08 Blighting Factors Prohibited) of the City Code, AND Replacing Them in their Entirety with Chapter 10, Section 10.23 Hazardous Conditions, Property Maintenance, Blight, Nuisances**

Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 82, 2nd Series, “ An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 10,

Section 10.22 (Hazardous Conditions) and Ordinance 76, 2nd Series (An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7, Section 7.08 Blighting Factors Prohibited) of the City Code, AND Replacing Them in their Entirety with Chapter 10, Section 10.23 Hazardous Conditions, Property Maintenance, Blight, Nuisances.” Ayes – Rauzi, Koivunen, Perpich, Vlaisavljevich. Abstain – Lillis (due to conflict of interest). Motion carried.

2. Resolution for Loan Application to the Public Facilities Authority for AMI Metering Project

Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Rauzi to adopt Resolution No. 2024-08, “Resolution for Loan Application to the Public Facilities Authority for AMI Metering Project.” Ayes – All.

3. Resolution for Loan Application to the Public Facilities Authority for Airport Water Main Project

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Perpich to adopt Resolution No. 2024-09, “Resolution for Loan Application to the Public Facilities Authority for Airport Water Main Project.” Ayes – All.

4. Resolution 2019-05, Exhibit B Additional Declaration of Official Intent

Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Rauzi to adopt, Resolution 2019-05, Exhibit B Additional Declaration of Official Intent. Ayes – All.

5. Quote for Fire brush truck tank replacement

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve the quote for fire brush truck tank replacement from Ultimate Safety Concepts, Inc. in the amount of \$22,955.00. Ayes – All.

6. Resolution Accepting Donation for K-9 Unit (Bonnie McDowell)

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Perpich to adopt Resolution No. 2024-10, “Resolution Accepting Donation for K-9 Unit” and to send a letter of thanks to Bonnie McDowell for her contribution. Ayes – All.

J. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Koivunen reported that the Golf Course will open in April. Golf Course Manager John Rinne has over 29 different hamburgers on the menu at the clubhouse.

K. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

City Engineer – Alan Johnson of Benchmark Engineering introduced Alan Nelson who will be working with Benchmark Engineering.

L. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m.