

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
5:00 p.m., April 7, 2020
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 5:06 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; Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- 1. Minutes of City Council Meeting held March 17, 2020;*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Special Emergency Meeting held March 20, 2020;*
- 3. Minutes of City Council Special Emergency Meeting held March 24, 2020; and*
- 4. Minutes of City Council Special Emergency Meeting held March 27, 2020.*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve the Agenda with the following additions:

- J7. Letter to IRRRB Commissioner requesting assistance to Eveleth small businesses from the Douglas J. Johnson Economic Trust Fund*
- J8. Request from Eveleth Ambulance Service to purchase UV-C Air & Surface Disinfection Lamp*

Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Approval of Payroll – March 1-15, 2020 in the amount of \$121,994.51
- 2. Approval of Claims – March 2020 in the amount of \$511,166.29

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

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Appoint Patrick Horoshak to the position of Heavy Equipment Operator

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Hadrava to appoint Patrick Horoshak to the position of Heavy Equipment Operator effective immediately. Ayes – All.

2. Consider quote for new 1-ton truck with dump and plow

Public Works Director Rosati sent out two quotes for a new 1-ton truck, dump box, and plow to replace the current truck #51. The following quotations were received:

Vendor	Item	Cost
Lundgren Motors	F-450 Cab & Chassis Tax, license, or fees (not included)	\$38,324.56
Crysteel Truck	Stainless Steel Dump Box Dump box hoist, Hydraulic Control system, Boss Vee Plow, Installation	\$23,406.84
Total		\$61,731.40 + tax

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to approve purchase of F-450 Chassis from Lundgren Motors in the amount of \$38,324.56 and dump box, plow and installation from Crysteel Truck and Equipment in the amount of \$23,406.84. Ayes – All.

3. Letter from Summer Work Outreach Project (SWOP) to use Library

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Hadrava to allow the Summer Work Outreach Project (SWOP) to utilize the Eveleth Public Library on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. from June 2 to July 16, 2020. Ayes – All.

SWOP will also be holding a parent/youth orientation at the Library the evening of June 1, 2020.

4. Resignation from Jeremy Ray, EMT

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Hadrava to accept resignation of Jeremy Ray, EMT, and to send him a letter of thanks for his service. Ayes – All.

5. Resolution Accepting Donations for K-9 Unit

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to adopt Resolution No. 2020-09, “Resolution Accepting Donations for K-9 Unit” and to send letters of thanks. Ayes – All.

The following donations were made to the Eveleth K-9 Unit:

North Country Heating Cooling & Refrigeration, Inc.	\$500.00
Knights of Columbus, Eveleth Council No. 2583	\$100.00
Lois & David Ness	\$ 50.00

6. Exclusive Listing Agreements with SVN/Northco Real Estate Services, LLC for City Properties

The City Council approved the Real Estate Commission Agreements with SVN/Northco Real Estate Services, LLC for city properties on February 18, 2020. City Administrator Monahan-Junek is recommending the Council also approve the Exclusive Listing Agreement with SVN/Northco Real Estate Services, LLC. This agreement is the same agreement the City Council approved to list the former Days Inn property.

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Exclusive Listing Agreement with SVN/Northco Real Estate Services, LLC for City Properties. Ayes – All.

7. Letter to IRRRB Commissioner requesting assistance to Eveleth small businesses from the Douglas J. Johnson Economic Protection Trust Fund

Mayor Vlasisavljevich would like see the Douglas Johnson Fund accessed through the IRRRB to help out small businesses in Eveleth who are suffering from the Governor's order to close during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Lillis to approve Mayor Vlasisavljevich sending a letter to Commissioner of the IRRRB requesting the amount of \$250,000 be granted from the Douglas J. Johnson Economic Trust Fund to the City of Eveleth to assist Eveleth small businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Ayes – All.

The Mayor may also be sending a copy of the letter to State Legislators and the Governor.

8. Request from Eveleth Ambulance Service to purchase UV-C Air & Surface Disinfection Lamp

The Council would like to purchase two of the disinfection lamps. One lamp will be kept at the Ambulance/Fire and the other lamp will be available for use by other City departments.

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Rauzi to order (2) two EDU-435 UV-C Air & Surface Disinfection Lamps from EA Medical, LLC at a cost of \$3,995 per lamp. Ayes – All.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Lillis reported that the HRA is at top performance. Lillis credited the management for a job well done.

Councilor Hadrava voiced his concerns about the effect COVID-19 may have on summer events including the Veterans Campground and 4th of July celebrations.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Public Works Director Rosati reported that the Minnesota Department of Health has approved the City's temporary activated carbon building at the Water Treatment Plant. Rosati said the building can be used as long as necessary. The quotations for a permanent structure estimated the project would have cost the City around \$250,000.

Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering, said the quotation period for the Eveleth Veterans Park shoreline improvements may have to be amended due to the Stay at Home Order.

City Clerk Monahan-Junek reminded the Council that the Board of Equalization will meet on Thursday at 1:00 p.m. The County Assessor will be available by telephone. In order to

practice safe social distancing protocol, the public is encouraged to call City Hall ahead of time with any questions/disputes on their property values.

City Attorney Brunfelt reminded the Council they can meet by teleconference or virtual meetings if desired during this pandemic.

M. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m.