

MINUTES

**Eveleth City Council Meeting
5:00 p.m., May 7, 2019
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**

A. CALL TO ORDER

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

B. ROLL CALL

Councilor John Rauzi, Present
Councilor Brad Hadrava, Absent
Councilor Brian Lillis, Present
Councilor Joseph Koivunen, Present
Mayor Robert Vlasisavljevich, Absent

Also present: City Clerk Administrator Jackie Monahan-Junek; Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Friebe; City Attorney Mitch Brunfelt; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati; Police Chief Tim Koivunen, Rodney Flannigan, Benchmark Engineering

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to approve the Minutes of City Council Meeting held April 16, 2019. Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Payroll – April 1-15, 2019 in the amount of \$105,213.32
2. Approval of Payroll – April 16-30, 2019 in the amount of \$145,052.97

3. Approval of Claims – April 2019 in the amount of \$442,173.55

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

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution Authorization to Execute Minnesota Department of Transportation Grant Agreement for Airport Improvement Excluding Land Acquisition

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Rauzi to adopt Resolution No. 2019-11, “Resolution Authorization to Execute Minnesota Department of Transportation Grant Agreement for Airport Improvement Excluding Land Acquisition.” Ayes – All.

2. Resolution Authorizing Execution of a State and Federal Grant Receipts Pledge Agreement with the City of Virginia, Minnesota Relating to a General Obligation Grant Anticipation Note to be Issued by the City of Eveleth, Minnesota to Finance Improvements to the Eveleth Municipal Airport

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to adopt Resolution No. 2019-12, “Resolution Authorizing Execution of a State and Federal Grant Receipts Pledge Agreement with the City of Virginia, Minnesota Relating to a General Obligation Grant Anticipation Note to be Issued by the City of Eveleth, Minnesota to Finance Improvements to the Eveleth Municipal Airport.” Ayes – All.

City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek explained that the City is the fiscal agent for the Eveleth-Virginia Airport.

3. Exhibit B Additional Declaration of Official Intent to Resolution 2019-05 regarding Eveleth-Virginia Airport 2019/2020 Capital Projects

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve Exhibit B Additional Declaration of Official Intent to Resolution 2019-05 regarding Eveleth-Virginia Airport 2019/2020 Capital Projects. Ayes – All.

4. Consider posting externally for an Operator/Maintenance Worker

Public Works Director Jerry Rosati said the City has been short handed for over a year due to employees on leave. They are also expecting some possible retirements.

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to post externally for an Operator/Maintenance Worker. Ayes – All.

5. Quotes for furnishing fertilizers, fungicides and insecticides for the golf course for 2019

The following quotes were received for Golf Course Fertilizer & Fungicide on May 7, 2019:

Item No.	Product	Quantity Requested	Reinders Plymouth, MN Unit Price	Reinders Total Amount	Tessman Company, St. Paul, MN Unit Price	Tessman Total Amount
1	21-0-18 w/DICOT SGN 150	(79) 40#bags	\$33.44	\$2,641.76	ALT #1 \$20.50	64 @ 50# bags \$1,429.56
2	17-0-17 Fertilizer SGN 75 Greens Grade	(20) 40# bags	\$52.80	\$1,056.00	ALT #2 \$24.75	20@50# bags \$529.03
3	13-0-26 Fertilizer SGN 75 Greens Grade	(7) 40# bags	\$56.00	\$392.00	ALT #3 \$24.75	6@50# bags \$158.71
4	3336 System SGN 100 Thiophanate-Methyl	(4) 30# bags	\$43.75	\$350.00	\$60.00	\$513.00
5	0-0-25 SGN 75	(2) 40# bags	\$51.60	\$103.20	No bid	No bid
6.	Fungicide X (iprodine) SGN 100	(13) 52# bags	\$119.00	\$1,547.00	ALT #4 \$44.85	\$1,246.27
7	Fungicide VII (Triadimefon) SGN 100	(6) 30# bags	\$100.25	\$601.50	No bid	No bid
8	FF3 PCNB ChlorothPropiconozol	(8) 30#bags	\$150.00	\$1,200.00	\$154.50	\$1,236.00
9	23-0-12 Nutrasphere SGN 159	(70) 50#bags	\$25.38	\$1,776.60	ALT #5 \$21.85	\$1,634.65
Total			\$4,049.70			\$4,300.21

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve purchase of fertilizers, fungicides and insecticides for the golf course for 2019 for item numbers 2, 3,

4, 5, 6, 7, from Reinders, Plymouth, MN in the amount of \$4,049.70 and item numbers 1, 8, 9 from Tessman Company, St. Paul, MN for \$4,300.21. Ayes – All.

6. Call for quotes for the Adams lift station generator

Director Rosati indicated the City has had some trouble over the years with the generator at the Adams lift station. The generator is obsolete (1973), and replacement parts are not available.

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to call for quotes for the Adams lift station generator. Ayes – All.

7. Quote for new John Deere commercial mower with 72” front deck

Public Works Director Rosati talked with Five Seasons Sports and they will honor the state bid price for a John Deere commercial mower.

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve the purchase of a new John Deere commercial mower with 72” front deck riding mower in the amount of \$23,984.25. Ayes – All.

The 2019 City budget for this item is \$25,000.

8. Call for quotes for a new sand truck chassis

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to call for quotes for a new sand truck chassis. Ayes – All.

Public Works Director Rosati said the current truck chassis cannot be driven on the road any longer. A private person could use the equipment on their personal property.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Lillis said the HRA is pleased with the management results. Lillis reported that the EDA has some exciting things are happening, but it is too premature to discuss. They continue to work diligently at downtown hockey statutes. They are also working to get some improvements to the Highway 53 corridor.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Police Chief – Chief Koivunen announced that calendar parking has finished for the season. He reminded the public to be diligent about picking up yards and properties as blight season issues are ongoing. Chief Koivunen also cautioned citizens to be careful as the Police Department has been fielding complaints about scams. Koivunen said, “If something costs

money to get money—it's a scam!" He urged residents to call the Police Department with any doubts or questions.

Public Works Director – Director Rosati reported that the contractors will be starting on the water tower renovations this week. They hope to be done the middle of August. He asked the public to “Bear with Us” during the project. Next Monday the City crew will be starting alley cleanup. Spring Clean Up will continue for the next three days of this week. Rosati reported that the cleanup volume dumped at the City Garage has been consisted with previous years.

Tucker Nelson, 915 ½ Adams Avenue, Eveleth, spoke to the Council regarding the school referendum. Nelson said he might be premature considering the election will take place on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, but he wondered about future plans for the empty building or land with the next few years should the referendum for school collaboration pass.

Nelson suggested a community meeting to bring all kinds of different ideas to light. Nelson said he would like to see something done and asked if the Council has had any discussions. Acting Mayor Koivunen said the City would have to wait to see how the vote turns out.

Councilor Lillis suggested the City would probably be looking at a minimum of a couple of years before the new buildings would be ready. He appreciated the fact that Nelson is thinking towards the future.

Acting Mayor Koivunen said he has heard a lot of pros and cons against the school referendum. He said you have the right—please go out and vote!

M. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:21 p.m.