

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
5:00 p.m., October 1, 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 Joel Lewicki; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati; Police Chief Tim Koivunen; Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

- 1. Minutes of City Council Workshop Meeting held September 10, 2019;*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Workshop Meeting held September 17, 2019; and*
- 3. Minutes of City Council Meeting held September 17, 2019.*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the agenda with removal of the following:

- 11. Authorize litigation for eviction of tenant from city owned facility.*

Ayes – All.

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Payroll – September 1-15, 2019 in the amount of \$108,467.19
2. Approval of Claims – September 2019 in the amount of \$650,758.08
3. Minnesota Historical Society Fiscal Agent Agreement (FY20/21) for support of the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum

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

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Authorize litigation for eviction of tenant from city owned facility

This item was removed from the agenda.

2. Change Order 1 from Jola & Sopp Excavating in the amount of \$2,900 for 2019 Jackson Street Utility Improvements

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve Change Order 1 from Jola & Sopp Excavating in the amount of \$2,900 for 2019 Jackson Street Utility Improvements. Ayes – All.

3. Pay Request No. 1 from Jola & Sopp Excavating in the amount of \$99,941.90 for 2019 Jackson Street Utility Improvements

Motion by Councilor Lillis second by Councilor Hadrava to approve Pay Request No. 1 from Jola & Sopp Excavating in the amount of \$99,941.90 for 2019 Jackson Street Utility Improvements. Ayes – All.

4. Consider Phase 1 of Water Interconnect Analysis

The Quad Cities has a water connection system which supplies drinking water service in times of emergency or maintenance. The group would like a better understanding of the overall operation of the existing interconnections. The City of Eveleth does not have a model of its system. This analysis will provide for a better description with Phase I beginning the model development stage.

Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve Phase I of the Quad Cities Water System Interconnect Analysis. Ayes – All.

5. Extension of the Eveleth Golf Course Clubhouse Agreement

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Hadrava to approve the Eveleth Golf Course Clubhouse Agreement with John Rinne for the years 2020-2022. Ayes – All.

6. Recommendation to hire Library Clerk

Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to approve hiring McKenzie Clinton as part-time Library Clerk. Ayes – All.

Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek said that Ms. Clinton will be starting her job at the Eveleth Library tomorrow morning.

7. Recommendation to hire Firefighters

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve hiring Lisa Richards and Daniel Horoshak as firefighters contingent upon passing pre-employment physicals and physical agility components. Ayes – All.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilor Rauzi reported on the Eveleth HRA. They have contracted for roof and sidewalk work to be done.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Police Chief – Chief Koivunen reminded the public that calendar parking is in effect. The Police Department will be handing out warning markers on vehicles for the next two weeks.

Public Works Director Rosati reminded the public that dumpsters for Fall Clean Up will be available to residents at the City Garage until the end of next week. Alley clean up will be the second week of October.

City Engineer – Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering, said the Mayor and staff will be meeting with the MPCA on October 16, 2019 at 10 a.m. to discuss renewal of the wastewater permit.

City Administrator- City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek revealed that a glitch in the utility billing system sent out duplicate bills for some customers. Those customers who received a duplicate will only need to pay one of the bills.

The City will be holding a Mayor's Ball again this year on December 7, 2019. More information will be coming. The Hockey Hall of Fame Museum is also sponsoring a Minnesota Wild Ticket Drawing this year for Eveleth residents. Sign up slips are available in the utility bills.

Councilor Lillis reminded the public of the Grant Avenue Mural dedication which will take place tomorrow at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich announced that St. Louis County is looking for applicants to serve on their CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee.

M. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.