

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Meeting
5:00 p.m., October 6, 2020
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, Absent
Councilor Brad Hadrava, Absent
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 Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the following minutes:

- 1. Minutes of City Council Workshop held September 9, 2020; and*
- 2. Minutes of City Council Meeting held September 16, 2020.*

Ayes – All.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS

None.

F. VISITOR/PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of Payroll – September 1-15, 2020 in the amount of \$161,473.00
2. Approval of Claims – September 2020 in the amount of \$564,225.86

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

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

I. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. EMS Transfer EMT Position Description and revised Eveleth Ambulance Service Transfer Policy

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the EMS Transfer EMT Position Description and revised Eveleth Ambulance Service Transfer Policy. Ayes – All.

Councilor Lillis commented that the transfer policy would allow those EMTs interested in solely transferring patients to work for the Eveleth Ambulance Service.

2. Pay Request from Northern Ecological Services for 2020 Veterans Park beach shoreline restoration project

Director Rosati reported that the wall on the shoreline of Veterans Park Beach was completely removed. He said the beach looks better and is safer. The City will be paying 25% of the cost with North St. Louis Soil & Water Conservation District paying the other 75%.

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to approve Pay Request from Northern Ecological Services for 2020 Veterans Park Beach Shoreline Restoration Project in the amount of \$24,476.45 with the City being reimbursed 75% of the total cost in the amount of \$18,357.34 from the North St. Louis Soil & Water Conservation District and with the City's responsibility remaining at 25% in the amount of \$6,119.11. Ayes – All.

3. Resignation from firefighter Thor Thompson

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to accept resignation from firefighter Thor Thompson and to send a letter of thanks for his service. Ayes – All.

4. Resignation from firefighter Richard High

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to accept resignation from firefighter Richard High and to send a letter of thanks for his service. Ayes – All.

5. Appointment of Fire Officers

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to appoint the following fire officers:

*Deputy Chief, Dan Kraskey
Captain Fire Ground, Jaymes Cuff
Lieutenant Training, Peter Klabecek*

Ayes – All.

Councilor Lillis thanked everyone for stepping up and taking an interest in their community.

6. Purchase Agreement and Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Real Estate to Lisa M. Peterson and David M. Peterson

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to approve Purchase Agreement and Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Real Estate to Lisa M. Peterson and David M. Peterson to purchase Lots 3E & 3F, Carlson's 2nd Addition. Ayes – All.

7. Fencing quotes for the Alice Location

Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering, reported they had received two quotes for fencing the Alice Location. Iron Oakes had a lower quotation than Century Links.

Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Lillis to approve quotation from Iron Oakes Fencing for the Alice Location in the amount of \$59,816.90. Ayes – All.

Iron Oakes Fencing has an estimated completion date of May 31, 2021 depending on the weather this spring. Mayor Vlasisavljevich suggested looking at renting parking space for campers, RVs, etc. as the site would be secured and the fence locked. City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek will report back to the Council with a recommendation on potentially leasing parking space at the Alice Location.

8. Approve Coronavirus Relief Aid expenditures

The Council was provided with an updated list of expenditures to be paid out of the State's Coronavirus Relief Aid.

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve the Coronavirus Relief Aid expenditures in the amount of \$276,519.06. Ayes – All.

9. Appoint two council members and one council member alternate to the Eveleth-Virginia Joint Airport Authority Board

Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Koivunen to appoint Mayor Vlaisavljevich and Councilor Hadrava to serve on the Eveleth-Virginia Joint Airport Authority Board and to appoint Councilor Koivunen as an alternate. Ayes – All.

10. Bids for 2021 Garfield Street Improvements

Bids for Garfield Street came in slightly higher than the first bids this spring. Mayor Vlaisavljevich would like to hold a workshop next week to discuss this project. The City has 35 days to consider the bids.

K. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

L. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS

None.

M. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.