

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Special Meeting**  
**9:00 a.m., November 27, 2020**  
**Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.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; City Attorney Mitch Brunfelt; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati

**C. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Letter from Jasmine Reid regarding use of Hippodrome to film *Way of the Warriors*

Attorney Mitch Brunfelt stated that he spoke with Jason Pleggenkuhle from the Minnesota Attorney General's office, who had spoken with DOLI and the MN Health Department. If the City rents the Hippodrome to *Way of the Warriors*, although it will not be used as a place of public accommodation, the movie company must comply with all Executive orders and COVID-19 protocols.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich asked about the City's liability.

If the City Council does approve the request, Mitch will draft a rental agreement that includes hold harmless language and insurance requirements. The rental fee will have to be paid before allowing the movie company access to the Hippodrome.

Councilor Lillis referenced the letter from Representative Lislegard.

Councilor Rauzi stated the City still has risk even if the movie company follows all COVID-19 protocols.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich suggested the City call the Department of Health.

Attorney Brunfelt stated he does not think the Department of Health will come to Eveleth during the filming without pressure from Senator Tomassoni or Representative Lislegard. Mayor Vlasisavljevich wants the Department of Health up here.

A movie company representative in the audience stated that they have been working with the Department of Health and the protocols the movie company are following are more restrictive than the State guidelines. They (the movie company) have three COVID officers and all extras must be tested before filming and a rapid test is given the day of filming.

*Motion by Councilor Hadrava, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve a rental agreement, with indemnification language and insurance requirements, effective November 30, 2020, for filming December 4-9, 2020, for a rental fee of \$1,000, subject to review by the City Council at their December 1, 2020 regular meeting and that the Department of Health will be on-site for filming. Ayes – All.*

#### **D. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.