

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Meeting**  
**5:00 p.m., December 7, 2021**  
**City Hall, 413 Pierce Street, Eveleth, MN**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**B. ROLL CALL**

Councilor Jim Perpich, Present  
Councilor John Rauzi, 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 Karl Sundquist; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati; Police Chief Jesse Linde; Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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

1. *Minutes of City Council Meeting held November 16, 2021.*

*Ayes – All.*

**D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**E. APPOINTMENTS/PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**F. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Approval of Payroll – November 1-15, 2021 in the amount of \$115,901.38**
2. **Approval of Claims – November 2021 in the amount of \$671,504.14**
3. **Agreements between City of Eveleth and: Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc., Police Officers Local #20; United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber,**

**Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO-CLC on behalf of USW Local No. 6860-05; Jackie Monahan-Junek**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Perpich to approve Consent Agenda Items F1, F2 and F3. Ayes – All.*

**4. Agreement between City of Eveleth and the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, Local Union No. 484**

*Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Koivunen to approve Consent Agenda Item F4. Abstained due to conflict of interest – Lillis and Rauzi. Ayes – Perpich, Koivunen, Vlasisavljevich. Motion carried.*

**G. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**H. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. Liquor Licenses for 2022**

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve the following liquor licenses for 2022 contingent upon each business submitting a Certificate of Liquor Liability Insurance to the City and becoming current on any outstanding utilities or property taxes:*

<b>Establishment</b>	<b>License(s)</b>
214 Grant Inc. <b>DBA: Red Garter Lounge</b> 214 Grant Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	Off Sale On-Sale Sunday On-Sale *2 AM Liquor License
<b>Curl Mesabi Inc.</b> 901 Hat Trick Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	On-Sale Sunday On-Sale
Ebnet Enterprises Inc. <b>DBA: Harold's Bar</b> 223-225 Grant Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	On-Sale Sunday On-Sale

<b>Establishment</b>	<b>License(s)</b>
Eveleth Elks Bldg Corp. <b>DBA: Eveleth Elks Club</b> 415 ½ Jones Street, Box 686 Eveleth, MN 55734	Club On-Sale Sunday On-Sale
Kay Kor Inc. <b>DBA: Snicker’s Lounge</b> 212 Grant Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	On-Sale Off-Sale Sunday On-Sale *2 AM Liquor License
Lietz Liabilities Inc. <b>DBA: BoomTown Woodfire</b> 501 Hat Trick Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	On Sale Sunday On-Sale
Margie’s Roosevelt Inc. <b>DBA: Margie’s Roosevelt</b> 202-204 Grant Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	Off-Sale On-Sale Sunday On-Sale
Eveleth Bottle Shop, LLC <b>DBA: Eveleth Bottle Shop</b> 433 Fayal Road Eveleth, MN 55734	Off-Sale
Sue Gulbranson <b>DBA: Sue’s Penalty Box</b> 311 Grant Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	Off-Sale On-Sale Sunday On-Sale
DesWoods Inc. <b>DBA: The Rink Sports Bar &amp; Grill</b> 301 Hat Trick Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	Off-Sale On-Sale Sunday On-Sale
R & M Woods Inc <b>DBA: Johnny D’s</b> 301 Grant Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	On-Sale Sunday on-Sale *2AM Liquor License

*Ayes – All.*

**2. Tobacco Licenses for 2022**

*Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve the following Tobacco Licenses for 2022:*

<b>Business Name and Address</b>	<b>Owner/Officer</b>
<b>Eveleth Bottle Shop, LLC</b> 433 Fayal Road Eveleth, MN 55734	Michele B. Begich-Johnson
KAY KOR Inc. <b>DBA: Snicker's Lounge</b> 212 Grant Avenue, PO Box 677 Eveleth, MN 55734	James Bonicatto
C & B Warehouse Distributing, Inc. <b>DBA: Eveleth Short Stop</b> 410 Grant Avenue Eveleth, MN 55734	David Russell Troutwine
Hawper Inc. <b>DBA: West Eveleth Market</b> 1302 1 <sup>st</sup> Street West Eveleth, MN 55734	Eugene Roger Hawley

*Ayes – All.*

**3. Second Amendment to Executive Listing Agreement for City owned property (701 Hat Trick Avenue)**

*Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Lillis to approve Second Amendment to Executive Listing Agreement for City owned property (701 Hat Trick Avenue). Ayes – All.*

**4. Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Real Estate to Ely Lake Seaplane Base, LLC**

The Ely Lake Seaplane Base was given to the Cities of Eveleth and Virginia in 2014 with a reverter clause that if the Eveleth/Virginia Airport Authority did not want to operate the Seaplane Base, the land could go back to the donor. Mayor Vlasisavljevich said that at one time the Base was full, but it is no longer worth the resources needed to commit to running it. The Base has become a liability to the City as planes were using the grass landing strip without permission and the camera installed at the Base was stolen.

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Rauzi to adopt Resolution Authorizing Conveyance of Real Estate to Ely Lake Seaplane Base, LLC. Ayes – All.*

**5. Resolution Authorizing the City of Eveleth to Make Application to and Accept Funds from the Minnesota Secretary of State for 2021 Voting Equipment Grant**

*Motion by Councilor Lillis, second by Councilor Perpich to adopt Resolution No. 2021-31, “Resolution Authorizing the City of Eveleth to Make Application to and Accept Funds from the Minnesota Secretary of State for 2021 Voting Equipment Grant.” Ayes – All.*

**6. Change Order No. 1 from Veit and Company in the amount of \$5,239.68 for Garfield Street Reconstruction**

Alan Johnson from Benchmark Engineering explained that the amount of work (by quantity) Veit and Company performed on the Garfield Street Project exceeded the contract.

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve Change Order No. 1 from Veit and Company in the amount of \$5,239.68 for the Garfield Street Reconstruction. Ayes – All.*

**7. Pay Request No. 6/Final from Veit and Company in the amount of \$242,928.86 for Garfield Street Reconstruction**

Councilor Koivunen said he was proud of the Council’s decision to move forward with one of the biggest street reconstructions in Eveleth.

*Motion by Councilor Koivunen, second by Councilor Perpich to approve Pay Request No. 6/Final from Veit and Company in the amount of \$242,928.86 for Garfield Street Reconstruction. Ayes – All.*

**8. Resignation from Ray Elj, Firefighter**

*Motion by Councilor Rauzi, second by Councilor Lillis to accept resignation from Ray Elj, Firefighter, from the Eveleth Fire Department and to send him a letter of thanks for his service. Ayes – All.*

**9. Addendum No. 1 to Agreement Between St. Louis County and City of Eveleth (CDBG Grant)**

*Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve Addendum No. 1 to Agreement Between St. Louis County and City of Eveleth (CDBG Grant). Ayes – All.*

**10. Facilities Use Agreement between City of Eveleth and Independent School District No. 2909, Rock Ridge Public Schools**

Public Works Director noted the agreement has changed in that the School District will no longer be using the Eveleth Golf Course for cross country as it damages the course. The District has supplied the City with a Rock Ridge School District banner. The Eveleth-Gilbert Bear design has been removed from the ice and replaced with the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum logo.

*Motion by Councilor Perpich, second by Councilor Rauzi to approve the Facilities Use Agreement between City of Eveleth and Independent School District No. 2909, Rock Ridge Public Schools. Ayes – All.*

**J. COUNCIL PRESENTATIONS/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Councilor Rauzi reported that the Eveleth HRA is looking at a new snow removal device estimated around \$25,000.

Councilor Lillis reported that the EDA met the new managers of the Lincoln Place Apartments. Lillis said it sounds as if they have sound business reasoning for their plan of operation.

**K. ADMINISTRATIVE PRESENTATIONS**

Louis Turner was the winner of two Minnesota Wild Hockey tickets for the January 14, 2021 game. The tickets are sponsored by the United States Hockey Hall of Fame Museum.

**L. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.