

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Workshop Meeting
8:30 a.m., June 28, 2022
City Hall, 413 Pierce Street, Eveleth, MN

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; Police Chief Jesse Linde

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

1. Proposed blight ordinance

Mayor Vlasisavljevich said his main motivator is to tear down some of the shacks. City Clerk Administrator Monahan-Junek said the Council could move forward with approving the section of the ordinance that deals with the demolition of houses. The Council could continue reviewing and revising the remaining portion of the ordinance to be approved this fall.

Councilor Lillis stated that he would like to see the City get a handle on some of the houses that can come down. He suggested amending the current blight ordinance until further review of the proposed ordinance is complete.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich would like the Council to call for bids at the next regular meeting to demo the house at 1104 McKinley. Councilor Lillis would like to impress on the City Attorney the importance and priority the Council is placing on this property. The Council voted to condemn the property 14 months ago and does not want to wait any longer.

Additional properties were discussed. Councilor Lillis said that those properties would need to have due process. Lillis asked about the City's budget. Monahan-Junek indicated the City has monies set aside in the Neighborhood Revitalization Fund.

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 a.m.