

MINUTES
Eveleth City Council Workshop
4:50 p.m., September 3, 2019
Council Chambers, City Hall, Eveleth, MN

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 Mitch Brunfelt; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati; Police Chief Tim Koivunen; Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering

1. Discuss limit changes for wastewater treatment plant permit

Public Works Director Jerry Rosati explained that the renewal for the wastewater treatment plant permit was submitted in 2017. The MPCA is placing very restrictive limits on the affluent going out of the plant. In order to obtain a new permit, the City must meet those requirements. Currently the City cannot meet the new standards for mercury and phosphorus. The City would be required to submit testing samples for mercury on a monthly basis which could be very expensive. If we are unable to meet those limits, the City may be heavily fined by the MPCA.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich would like to meet face to face with the MPCA representatives to discuss this matter. Vlasisavljevich questioned the reason as to why the standards are changing. Mayor Vlasisavljevich, Councilor Koivunen, Public Works Director Jerry Rosati and City Attorney Brunfelt will plan to meet with the MPCA to discuss the permit.

The following items were added to the agenda:

- J11. Approve Hiring an EMT
- J12. Renewal for 2AM Liquor License/Permit for Sue's Penalty Box, 311 Grant Avenue, Eveleth, MN