

**MINUTES**  
**Eveleth City Council Workshop**  
**4:40 p.m., September 17, 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: Deputy City Clerk Stephanie Friebe; Public Works Director Jerry Rosati; Police Chief Tim Koivunen; Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering

Mayor Vlasisavljevich called the meeting to order at 4:45 p.m.

**1. Discuss proposal from NTS regarding Eveleth Wastewater Treatment Plant Permit**

Public Works Director Jerry Rosati explained the proposal from NTS. NTS has offered to help the City in discussing with the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) requirements for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Permit.

Alan Johnson, Benchmark Engineering, clarified that NTS would be able to help determine water quality based on science. The MPCA wants Eveleth to respond back with a compliance plan. Eveleth's wastewater treatment plant flows into Elbow Lake. A while back the City incorporated sand filters into the outflow. NTS could help determine, if perhaps, another type of filter could be placed to help the plant meet the mercury standards set by the MPCA.

Mayor Vlasisavljevich would like to meet with the MPCA to have them explain the problem that the City needs to address.

Johnson said the MPCA would like a list of how Eveleth will come into compliance in the next five years so that a temporary permit can be issued to the City.

**2. Discuss submitting grant request to St. Louis Community Development Block Grant Program**

Public Works Director Jerry Rosati distributed a cost estimate for 2020 street improvements. Discussion took place on Garfield Street which is a priority. The Council would like to hold an additional workshop to discuss Garfield Street and decide on whether to assess for this project. The City cannot assess if using a CDBG grant for this project. The Council will discuss optional areas to apply for a CDBG grant (if not for Garfield Street). The deadline to submit the grant application is October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The following item was removed from the agenda:

G3. 2019 Land Licenses in Alice Location (revised Land License)