UNAPPROVED

Regular Meeting
May 4, 2011
7:00 p.m.

With due call and notice thereof, the May 4, 2011 regular meeting of the Eden Valley City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center meeting room. Present were Mayor Korman, Councilors Gabrelcik, Reetz, Bethel, and Thielen and Clerk Haag. Also present were Public Works Director Rademacher, Police Chief Junker, Rescue Chief Howard Covert, Township Board Members Dan Topp, Rick Thompson and Bob Groshens from Union Grove, Bob Haag from Eden Lake, and Pete Hansen from Luxemburg. Mayor Korman presided.

The agenda was reviewed and an addition of Resolution #2011-14 for consideration was added between item #3 and #4. Motion to approve the agenda with addition of Resolution #2011-14 was made by Thielen, seconded by Bethel, and carried unanimously.

The consent agenda, adopting Donation Resolution #2011-13, was unanimously approved on a motion by Reetz, seconded by Bethel.

Rescue Chief Howard Covert reported he had obtained estimates for purchase of a 2011, ¾ ton Chevrolet Suburban to be used as a rescue vehicle, plus costs for equipping the vehicle with lights, radio, and tool boxes. Bids for the Suburban were $44,500 from Koronis Motors of Paynesville and $38,445 from Schwieters Chevrolet of Cold Spring. Estimate from Motorola for radio was $3162, plus $50 to Meeker County to program the radio. Estimates for purchase and installation of lights and sirens were received from KEEPRS of Sauk Rapids for $6201.13 and Squads of Prinsburg for $5730.96. Prices for Weather Guard boxes for the back end were $2300 from Squads and $2900 from Northern States Equipment. Covert reported the total estimated cost, going with Schwieters for the Suburban, and Squads for lights, siren and boxes would be $49,600, plus lettering of $600, for a total estimated cost of $50,200. Covert also reported there is currently $42,400 in the Rescue equipment escrow account and the Department feels with their Valley Daze fundraiser coming up they will have enough money in their account to cover the total purchase price by the time the Suburban would be ready for delivery. Funds in the Rescue equipment escrow account have come from fundraisers the Fire Department and Rescue Squad hold at Valley Daze and Halloween, plus a $1000 grant that was received from Walmart. Covert requested the Council and Townships consider authorizing approval to purchase the Suburban, since the Department would like to order one in the color Victory Red, and May 15th is the cutoff date to order the red color. Covert reported it would take approximately 8 weeks from order date for delivery. Covert also reported the current Rescue Suburban, which is 20 years old, would be kept and utilized as a personnel vehicle for the Department. Discussion by Township Board Members and City Council followed, with Town Board members present supporting the idea of purchasing a new vehicle, noting the Department has been working on raising the funds for a number of years now and also noting the current Suburban is 20 years old. Consensus of City Council and Town Board members present was approval should be given to purchase the vehicle and equip it as Covert had proposed. A motion was made by Bethel, seconded by Reetz, and

carried unanimously, to approve the purchase of a Chevrolet Suburban from Schwieter's Chevrolet and equip it as proposed for the Eden Valley Rescue Squad.

Applications for Valley Daze were reviewed. An application to conduct off-site gambling, Form LG230, for Eden Valley Legion Post 381 to sell pull-tabs at the Fire Department Beer Garden on June 24 & 25, 2011, was unanimously approved on a motion by Thielen, seconded by Gabrelcik. The application for 3.2 License for Eden Valley Fire Relief Association for their Beer Garden June 24 through June 26 was reviewed. A motion was made by Bethel to approve the 3.2 license application, contingent upon receipt of certificate of insurance. Motion was seconded by Gabrelcik and carried.

Resolution #2011-14, a Resolution Approving Application, approving the application for Minnesota lawful gambling license and premise permit for Eden Valley American Legion Post 381 at the "Corner Bar" location was introduced and moved for adoption by Gabrelcik, seconded by Thielen. Voting in favor were Gabrelcik, Reetz, Korman, Bethel, and Thielen. Against: none, whereby Resolution #2011-14 was duly adopted.

EDA recommendations were reviewed. Recommendations to amend the by-laws included: Section 3.1 changing the day of annual meeting from Tuesday to Monday; Section 3.2 changing the day for regular meetings from Tuesday to Monday; Section 3.5 deleting the sentence "Resolutions may, but need not be read aloud prior to vote taken thereon and may, but need not be executed after passage."; and Section 4.5 changing title of section "Financial Statement" to read "Annual Budget". A motion was made by Reetz, seconded by Bethel, and carried unanimously to amend the EDA Bylaws as recommended. Recommendations to amend the loan guidelines included: changing item #1 under LOAN GUIDELINES to read "The EDA will then report their "recommendations" instead of "findings"; delete from item #2 the statement "Loan requests above $30,000 must demonstrate an ability to meet or provide a great and genuine community need."; add to item #4 the following: "and provide quarterly job statements to EDA."; and add item #9 Business must be in operation within six (6) months of loan closing date, or loan can be called"; and to add under ELIGIBILITY number 3.d. Any illegal activity. A motion was made by Bethel, seconded by Gabrelcik, and carried unanimously to amend the EDA Loan Guidelines as recommended. A recommendation made by the EDA to approve a business loan to Thielen Machine & Welding in the amount of $15,000 for purchase of equipment, with loan to be amortized based on a 10-year payback, with a 5-year balloon payment, at 5% interest and collateral to be a 2nd security position on the equipment purchased, contingent upon completion of Items IV and V on the EDA loan application form and Meeker County Development approval of their loan which would hold the 1st security position on the equipment was reviewed. After review, a motion was made by Reetz, seconded by Gabrelcik to approve the loan recommendation as made. Motion carried with Thielen abstaining.

Planning & Zoning permits recommended for approval included the following: Brittany Hunter -169 Maple Street for a platform and wood steps, Tina Hemmesch – 652 State Street S. for a garage, Aho Northwest – 533 Coleman Ave E. for a new house, John Derichs – 605 Smith St. for a new building, and Eden Valley Properties – 198 State St. N. for a building addition. A motion was made by Bethel, seconded by Thielen, and carried unanimously, to approve the permits as recommended.

The Clerk presented the bills:

Total Expense: $ 89,489.63

A motion to pay the bills as presented was made by Reetz seconded by Bethel and carried unanimously.

Clerk Haag reported the compliance review Brett Repulske from Rural Development had completed regarding the City's Fire Hall loan had gone well. Repulske's recommendations to post a non-discrimination statement on the City's website, clarify need for both race and ethnicity reporting from Fire & Rescue regarding calls, and updating the accessibility transition plan for Civic Center restrooms have all been completed by Haag.

Haag reported Stearns County had approved a 3-year moratorium on upgrades of subsurface sewage treatment systems on McCarthy Avenue to allow residents there to connect to city sewer in the event the Hwy 22 project moves forward. Copies of the correspondence related to the moratorium were provided to the Council.

Copies of 2011 Tax Capacity Rates for Stearns County were provided to the Council.

Haag reminded the Council the LMC Annual Conference is scheduled for June 15 – 17 in Rochester and requested any Council members interested in attending contact her for registration.

Police Chief Junker reported the Chief's convention he had attended was very informative and worthwhile.

Junker noted with Valley Daze coming up and the celebration of the City's 125th anniversary, he anticipates the Police Department will be quite busy this summer and asked the Council to consider allowing him to add one more part-time officer to the roster to fill hours. Junker reported there are times he has difficulty making sure shifts are covered because of conflicts in schedules, in part due to Officer Peterka's Cold Spring work schedule, and if he had one more part-time officer to cover those shifts it would be helpful. Junker suggested he could hire the officer he spoke to the Council about last year, who is trained and certified and would only need the City to provide a uniform, which would be a lesser financial investment for the City than to hire someone else and provide training as well as uniform. Junker reported the scheduled hours of part-time help would not increase over the annual budgeted amount, with possibly the exception of Valley Daze when additional help is needed. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to authorize Junker to hire the officer he was recommending, as long as it would not increase the budgeted hours, with the exception of Valley Daze hours. Councilor Reetz questioned if a motion was needed to confirm the authorization and Junker did not feel that was necessary. Councilor Reetz then stated he wanted everyone on the Council to understand the Council was definitely giving the O.K. to Chief Junker to hire the officer and that they were all on the same page. Councilor Reetz did not want it to be like the last time Chief Junker had been authorized to hire the officer and had offered the position to the officer only to have some of the Council then change their minds a couple of months later and not hire the officer after all. The Council indicated they understood and Chief Junker should offer the position to the officer.

Chief Junker provided monthly reports to the Council and reported e-charging is going well in both Meeker and Stearns Counties.

Junker also reported he will be working on notifying residents of Spring seasonal clean-up needs and nuisance violations in relation to cars, yards, and dogs.

Councilor Bethel questioned the possibility of a stop sign at the intersection of Jacquin Lane and Douglas Drive. Public Works Director Rademacher will check out neighborhood concerns there regarding placement of a stop sign.

Public Works Director Rademacher reported he is obtaining bids on repairing the intersection of Logeais Street and Park Avenue, and is coordinating the schedule of repairs with R.I.E. to cause as little interference with their business operations as possible. He hopes to have bids by the next regular meeting.
Cost estimates for directional boring 2 inch-water line service connections to 405 Smith Street and 605 Smith Street from the water main located in front of the Fire Hall are also being obtained.
Rademacher reported on other projects being completed in the Public Works Department as well. A request for street lights on Hillside Drive has been received from Eden Terrace Park owner Chuck Hesse, on behalf of residents there. Meeker Cooperative has been contacted for pricing information and the Council requested prices be available for the next regular Council meeting for their consideration of this request.

Councilor Reetz questioned if a city-wide cleanup was being planned for this year. Haag & Rademacher reported the last cleanup day had not had many city participants and with A& A Recycling offering the free appliance dropoff and West Central providing service for pickup of larger items through a phone call request, it did not appear the cleanup day was necessary, unless the Council desired one be scheduled. The hazardous waste pickup day provided by Stearns County is currently scheduled in Eden Valley for every 2 years.

Next regular Council meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2011.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Bethel, seconded by Gabrelcik.

Attest:

Mona Haag, Clerk/Treasurer

Peter Korman, Mayor

CITY OF EDEN VALLEY

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May 2011

	Name	Check Date	Check Amt	
10100 STATE BANK IN EV				
Paid Chk# 004831	AMERIPRIDE SERVICES	5/5/2011	$143.88	
Paid Chk# 004832	SUSAN ANDERSON	5/5/2011	$670.97	Insurance
Paid Chk# 004833	JUANITA ARENS	5/5/2011	$400.00	
Paid Chk# 004834	ARNOLDS OF KIMBALL	5/5/2011	$626.23	Supplies
Paid Chk# 004835	AT&T UNIVERSAL CARD	5/5/2011	$51.00	
Paid Chk# 004836	BCBS/RESOURCE TRAINING	5/5/2011	$6,010.00	Insurance
Paid Chk# 004837	BOLTON & MENK, INC	5/5/2011	$1,922.50	
Paid Chk# 004838	CUF	5/5/2011	$106.53	
Paid Chk# 004839	CAR QUEST	5/5/2011	$29.07	
Paid Chk# 004840	TOM'S CARPET KINGDOM	5/5/2011	$4,745.00	Fire hall repairs
Paid Chk# 004841	CHARLIE'S TREE REMOVAL SER	5/5/2011	$150.00	
Paid Chk# 004842	DIVERSICOM	5/5/2011	$1,124.74	
Paid Chk# 004843	DPC INDUSTRIES, INC.	5/5/2011	$1,035.76	
Paid Chk# 004844	EDEN VALLEY LUMBER CO	5/5/2011	$554.14	
Paid Chk# 004845	GOPHER STATE ONE-CALL	5/5/2011	$30.45	
Paid Chk# 004846	HEARTLAND SECURITY	5/5/2011	$64.32	
Paid Chk# 004847	ERNIE JUNKER	5/5/2011	$43.05	meals - Chief's conference
Paid Chk# 004848	CHAD KUECHLE	5/5/2011	$914.41	Mileage & lodging - fire scho
Paid Chk# 004849	LANDSCAPING PLUS	5/5/2011	$48.09	
Paid Chk# 004850	LIGHT AND SIREN	5/5/2011	$951.15	Light bar repairs
Paid Chk# 004851	LMC	5/5/2011	$88.88	Safety training
Paid Chk# 004852	MARC	5/5/2011	$473.99	
Paid Chk# 004853	MEEKER COMMUNICATION SER	5/5/2011	$177.42	
Paid Chk# 004854	MEEKER COUNTY SHERIFF	5/5/2011	$120.00	Reports
Paid Chk# 004855	MEEKER COUNTY TREASURER	5/5/2011	$2,812.00	Hardware store property tax
Paid Chk# 004856	MIKES BAIT	5/5/2011	$28.66	
Paid Chk# 004857	MODERN MARKETING	5/5/2011	$183.09	
Paid Chk# 004858	MR. HEATING & AC, LLC	5/5/2011	$339.00	
Paid Chk# 004859	NORTHLAND TRUST	5/5/2011	$12,907.50	
Paid Chk# 004860	PAPCO, INC	5/5/2011	$3,740.63	
Paid Chk# 004861	CRYSTAL PASTIEN	5/5/2011	$680.00	
Paid Chk# 004862	PAYNESVILLE PRESS	5/5/2011	$32.00	
Paid Chk# 004863	BOB PESCHON	5/5/2011	$200.00	
Paid Chk# 004864	RAMSEY PRINTING	5/5/2011	$26.18	
Paid Chk# 004865	RINKE NOONAN	5/5/2011	$411.20	
Paid Chk# 004866	SELECT ACCOUNT	5/5/2011	$787.39	
Paid Chk# 004867	ST CLOUD OVERHEAD DOOR C	5/5/2011	$80.00	
Paid Chk# 004868	ST. CLOUD TECHNICAL COLLEG	5/5/2011	$540.00	Fire School
Paid Chk# 004869	STEARNS COUNTY AUDITOR/TR	5/5/2011	$3,170.00	
Paid Chk# 004870	TOSHIBA FINANCIAL SERVICES	5/5/2011	$134.72	
Paid Chk# 004871	US BANK	5/5/2011	$1,330.00	
Paid Chk# 004872	UTILITY CONSULTANTS, INC.	5/5/2011	$1,190.50	
Paid Chk# 004873	VMG	5/5/2011	$47.65	
Paid Chk# 004874	XCEL ENERGY	5/5/2011	$2,691.82	

CHECK#	TO:	FOR:	AMOUNT
39605	PERA	PERA	$ 1460.57
ACH	ING	MN DCP	50.00
39606	Site Council Senior Nutrition	Supplies	250.00
39607	MN Revenue	Sales & use tax	474.00
39608	VOID	VOID	0.00
39609	Valley Daze Fund	Services – Car show	1500.00
39610	PERA	PERA	1453.48
39611	Xcel Energy	Street light installation	237.22
ACH	ING	MN DCP	50.00
39612	MN Revenue	State WH	707.51
ACH	IRS	Payroll Tax	3508.01
39613	USPS	Postage	145.77
JE201112	EV-W Treatment	April usage	9301.50
4824	Center Point Energy	Natural gas	1371.60
4825	Meeker Cooperative	Electric	653.00
4826	Select Account	Flex	245.70
4827	T-Mobile	Phone service	193.67
4828	Union Security Insurance	Insurance	361.65
4829	West Central Sanitation	Services	154.69
4830	Xcel Energy	Electric	2066.13
21230-21236	Payroll	Salaries	6727.29
21237-21244	Payroll	Salaries	6763.92
TOTAL BILLS			$89,489.63