

**CITY OF ROOSEVELT PARK
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MEETING MINUTES**

May 4, 2009

A work session of City Council was held on May 4, 2009 at 6:15 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 900 Oak Ridge Rd.

PRESENT: Mayor Jeff Lenartowicz, Mayor Pro Tem Rod Buikema, Council Members Laura Fitzpatrick, Eric Grimm, Al Lowe, David Martin and Judy Van Westen

ABSENT: None

STAFF: City Manager Dave Boehm, Police Chief Bill Regan, and Treasurer/Clerk Tammera Harmsen

INTERVIEW: DPW SUPERINTENDENT VACANCY

Council interviewed Wyatt Eggleton for the position of DPW Superintendent. The following questions were asked:

- 1.) Please tell us about yourself and your work background/experience.
Mr. Eggleton stated he has been with the City of Muskegon for 13 years working mainly the water/sewer department.
- 2.) Why did you choose public works as a career?
He stated he tripped on it. The position was available when he was looking for work.
- 3.) Questions regarding a complaint from a resident complaining about the sidewalk in front of the home needing repair.
Mr. Eggleton stated he would evaluate the situation, if the repairs should be completed by City he would have it fix. If the repairs are clearly the responsibility of the homeowner he would let the resident know it is not ours to fix.
- 4.) What are your strengths and weaknesses?
He stated his strengths are understanding the utility world, he has been in the trenches. Mr. Eggleton's weaknesses are the administrative side of the job.
- 5.) Who or what in your life would you say influenced you most as far as your career?
Mr. Eggleton stated Matt Farrar has influenced him. They started at Muskegon together.
- 6.) If you were on the Roosevelt Park City Council and hiring someone for this job, what qualities would be most important to you?
He stated a person who is well rounded and gets along with others. Someone who can empathize with others regarding problems and help them solve issues.
- 7.) What would your current co-workers tell us about you?
Mr. Eggleton stated his co-workers would say he is the type that likes to get the job done; he is friendly and a hard worker.

- 8.) Question regarding an elderly resident and ants in the trees.
Mr. Eggleton stated he would take the time to evaluate the tree and see if there was something we could do to ease the elderly residents concerns regarding the ants.
- 9.) How do you handle shifting/changing priorities and working under pressure?
He stated he would deal with things as they come. He stated he would prioritize what needed to be completed.
- 10.) What kind of supervision do you expect?
Mr. Eggleton stated he would update the manager on a daily basis.
- 11.) Describe a situation in which you had to work with a difficult person in a stressful situation. How did you handle it?
Mr. Eggleton stated he had to notify homeowners regarding a repair. One resident was very upset about the water being off. Mr. Eggleton stated he spoke with the owner and told him they would work through lunch to get the water back on.
- 12.) What is your experience with water/sewer billing or cost allocation of labor, equipment rental, etc.?
He stated he has no billing experience. He stated he does not handle these functions.

Council Member Grimm asked Mr. Eggleton what a MPSI is? Mr. Eggleton stated it is a 3 year/1 week training to better manage and handle situations. He stated it is a great networking of how other municipalities handle problems.

Council Member Lowe asked how Mr. Eggleton would handle a request from a council member. Mr. Eggleton stated he would complete the request.

Council Member Van Westen asked how Mr. Eggleton would structure his day. He stated he would use a job list and schedule the crew to keep them busy.

ADJOURNMENT

The work session was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Tammera K. Harmsen, Treasurer/Clerk