

**City of Moorhead
City Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes
January 24, 2011 at 5:30 PM
City Hall Council Chambers**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council Meeting was held in the City Hall Council Chambers, on January 24, 2011, at 5:30 PM.

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

1st Ward Council Member:	Luther Stueland	Present
1st Ward Council Member:	Nancy Otto	Present
2nd Ward Council Member:	Diane Wray Williams	Present
2nd Ward Council Member:	Mark Altenburg	Present
3rd Ward Council Member:	Dan Hunt	Present
3rd Ward Council Member:	Brenda Elmer	Present
4th Ward Council Member:	Mark Hintermeyer	Present
4th Ward Council Member:	Greg Lemke	Present
Mayor:	Mark Voxland	Present

City Council Meeting

1. [Call to Order and Roll Call](#)

Minutes: Mayor Voxland called the meeting to order.

2. [Mayor Voxland's State of the City Address](#)

Minutes: Mayor Voxland delivered the State of the City Address.

3. [Citizens Addressing the Council](#)

Minutes: No citizens addressed the Mayor and Council.

4. [Agenda Amendments](#)

Minutes: No agenda amendments were noted.

5. [Consent Agenda](#)

All items listed with an asterisk (*) are enacted by one motion.

Minutes: The following items were removed from the Consent Agenda:

- #12 - Resolution to Approve Agreement with Clay County Public Health (Active in Moorhead)
- #14 – Resolution Authorizing a Three-Year Contract for Operation of Transit Services to First Transit Inc.
- #19 – Resolutions to Approve Ordinance 2010-13

Motion to Approve made by Diane Wray Williams and seconded by Nancy Otto

Consent Agenda

Motion Passed by unanimous vote

6. [Mayor and Council Appointments](#)

Motion to Approve made by Brenda Elmer and seconded by Dan Hunt

Mayor and Council Appointments

Motion Passed: Resolution #'s noted below

For: 8

- A. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Moorhead Charter Commission \(Mayor\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-1
- B. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Moorhead Public Service Commission \(Mayor\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-2
- C. [Resolution to Approve Appointments to Police Civil Service Commission \(Mayor\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-3
- D. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Public Housing Board \(Mayor\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-4
- E. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Library/LARL Board \(Ward 1\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-5
- F. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Charter Commission \(Ward 2\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-6
- G. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Charter Commission \(Ward 3\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-7
- H. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Moorhead Public Service Commission \(Ward 3\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-8
- I. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Planning Commission \(Ward 3\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-9
- J. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Charter Commission \(Ward 4\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-10
- K. [Resolution to Approve Appointment to Planning Commission \(Ward 4\)](#)
Resolution 2011-0124-11

7. [Mayor and Council Reports](#)

Minutes: Council Member Wray Williams provided a brief report on the Metro Council of Governments (Metro COG)

Council Member Hintermeyer provided a brief report on the Economic Development Authority (EDA).

8. Permanent Flood Protection Discussion/Update

Minutes: Michael Redlinger, City Manager, stated that the proposed resolution will allow pre-event authorization for equipment rental, materials, supplies, and storage space for a potential spring 2011 flood event. Due to successful flood mitigation projects, the City anticipates utilizing 1/3 to 1/2 fewer sandbags as was needed during the 2009 flood.

A. [Resolution to Authorize Budget Adjustment for Potential Spring 2011 Flood Event Expenditures](#)

Motion to Approve made by Brenda Elmer and seconded by Diane Wray Williams
Resolution to Authorize Budget Adjustment for Potential Spring 2011 Flood Event Expenditures

Motion Passed: **2011-0124-12**

For: 8

Community Services Department

9. [Tabled Resolution 1-10-11: A-1 Automotive](#)

Minutes: Redlinger stated that the tabled resolution from the January 10, 2011 City Council meeting has been amended to expand the A-1 Automotive property tax exemption incentive from a four year period to a five year period and to allow the four year property tax exemption period to begin for property taxes payable in 2011 continuing through 2014.

Bruce Bekkerus, Owner A-I Automotive, addressed the Mayor and City Council regarding his support for the proposed resolution.

Motion and Second to Approve were previously made at the 1/10/2011 meeting, but action was tabled for reconsideration

Resolution to Approve Amendment to the Tax Incentive Agreement between the City of Moorhead and A-1 Automotive Transmission Service

Motion Passed: **2011-0124-13**

For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

10. [Consider Actions Related to Agreement with Flight Development, LLC \(Moorhead Municipal Airport\)](#)

Minutes: Kristie Leshovsky, City Planner, provided a brief overview of the Fixed Based Operator (FBO) agreement proposed with Flight Development LLC for the Moorhead Municipal Airport.

City staff clarified the following in response to Mayor and Council questions:

- If the contractor does not adhere to conditions of agreement they would be provided with a 30 day notice to correct. If left uncorrected, the City has the right to terminate the contract.
- As the FBO, Flight Development LLC plans to provide maintenance service to their and other aircraft at a minimum of 5 days per week.
- The new contract is scheduled to begin April 1, 2011. The current FBO contract with Moorhead Aviation will be terminated with proper

notice.

- The City will continue to own the Moorhead Municipal Airport.

Motion to Approve made by Luther Stueland and seconded by Diane Wray Williams
Consider Actions Related to Agreement with Flight Development, LLC (Moorhead Municipal Airport)

Motion Passed: **Resolution #'s noted below**

For: 8

- A. [Resolution to Approve PFBO Agreement](#)
2011-0124-14
 - B. [Resolution to Approve Budget Adjustment - 2011 Airport Operating Budget](#)
2011-0124-15
11. [*Consider Actions Related to the Location of Telecommunications Tower at Centennial Park and Related Agreements](#)
- A. [*Resolution to Approve Telecommunications Tower](#)
2011-0124-A
 - B. [*Resolution to Approve Land Lease Agreement between the City and MnDOT](#)
2011-0124-B
 - C. [*Resolution to Approve Partnership Agreement between City and MnDOT](#)
2011-0124-C
 - D. [*Resolution to Approve Tower Lease Agreement between the City and MnDOT \(for placement of City antennas on tower\)](#)
2011-0124-D
12. [Resolution to Approve Agreement with Clay County Public Health \(Active in Moorhead\)](#)
- Minutes: Council Member Stueland noted that he would abstain from voting on this agenda item due to his association with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota on account of his position with Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota.
- Motion to Approve made by Mark Altenburg and seconded by Nancy Otto
Resolution to Approve Agreement with Clay County Public Health (Active in Moorhead)
- Motion Passed: **2011-0124-16**
- For: 7; Abstain: 1 – Luther Stueland
13. [*Consider Actions Related to Horizon Shores Eighth Addition](#)
- A. [*Resolution to Approve Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2011-1 - An Ordinance to Rezone Horizon Shores 8th Addition from TZ - Transitional to RC - Regional Commercial](#)
2011-0124-E
 - B. [*Resolution to Approve Title and Summary of Ordinance 2011-1](#)
2011-0124-F

14. [Resolution Authorizing a Three-Year Contract for Operation of Transit Services to First Transit Inc.](#)

Minutes: The Mayor and Council Members stated the following:

- Proposed contract resulted from an extensive Request for Proposal (RFP) process.
- Concern was noted regarding an apparent overextended transit budget.

Motion to Approve made by Diane Wray Williams and seconded by Dan Hunt
Resolution Authorizing a Three-Year Contract for Operation of Transit Services to First Transit Inc.

Motion Passed: **2011-0124-17**

For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

Operations Department

15. [Call For Public Hearing For Allyson Parkway 4th Addition Boulevard Trees Final Assessment](#)

Motion to Approve made by Greg Lemke and seconded by Nancy Otto

Call For Public Hearing For Allyson Parkway 4th Addition Boulevard Trees Final Assessment

Motion Passed: **2011-0124-18**

For: 8

Police Department

16. [*Resolution to authorize Homeland Security Interoperable Communications Grant](#)
2011-0124-G

Moorhead Public Service

17. [*Award Bids for 2011 Electrical Materials](#)
2011-0124-H

Administration

18. *Approve Licenses - Permits

A. [*Resolution to Approve Business Licenses](#)
2011-0124-I

19. [Resolutions to Approve Ordinance 2010-13](#)

A. [Resolution to Approve Second Reading of Ordinance 2010-13, An Ordinance to Amend and Reenact Section 2-6C-1 and Repeal Subsection B.6 of Section 2-6C-4 of the Moorhead Municipal Code relating to the Definition of Massage Enterprise and Denial of License](#)

Motion to Approve made by Mark Altenburg and seconded by Diane Wray Williams
Resolutions to Approve Ordinance 2010-13
Motion Passed: **2011-0124-19**
For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

B. [Resolution to Approve Title and Summary of Ordinance 2010-13](#)

Motion to Approve made by Mark Altenburg and seconded by Diane Wray Williams
Resolutions to Approve Ordinance 2010-13
Motion Passed: **2011-0124-20**
For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

20. [City Manager Reports - Updates](#)

Minutes: Michael Redlinger, City Manager, reported the following:

- A Jan 31, 2011 meeting is planned with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to discuss the 34th St. interchange and the SE Main Ave. ramps at I-94.
- A memorandum from Barb Rohde, the City's Federal Legislative Services Provider, will be distributed to the Mayor and Council regarding the SE Main Avenue ramps at I-94.

The Mayor and Council Members stated the following:

- Letters of support are encouraged for those that would like to see the SE Main Avenue ramps at I-94 re-opened, particularly Moorhead Public School District.
- The Mayor and Council requested that they be regularly provided with the meeting minutes of the Moorhead Public Service Commission.

21. [Executive Session - Labor Negotiations](#)

Minutes: The Mayor and Council entered into executive session at 6:34 p.m.

The Mayor and Council returned from executive session at 6:56 p.m.

22. New Business

23. [Citizens Addressing the Council \(continued, if necessary\)](#)

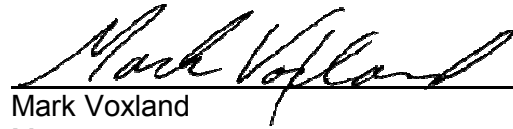
Minutes: Darren Dreesen, Moorhead resident, addressed the Mayor and City Council regarding the assessed value of his property.

The Mayor and Council requested that City staff provide a response to Mr. Dreesen and background information to the Mayor and City Council regarding metro area assessment methodologies.

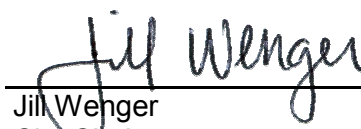
Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:



Mark Voxland
Mayor



Jill Wenger
City Clerk

The proceedings of this meeting are digitally recorded and are available for public review.

Respectfully submitted by:
Jill Wenger, City Clerk