



**City of Moorhead
Charter Commission
Meeting Minutes
January 20, 2021 at 8:00 AM
City Hall Council Chambers**

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Board Member:	Julian Dahlquist	Present - Video
Board Member:	Athena Gracyk	Present - Video
Board Member:	Russell Hanson	Present - Video
Board Member:	Thomas Krabbenhoft	Present - Video
Board Member:	Joel Rehder	Present - Video
Board Member:	Dave Sederquist	Present - Video
Board Member:	Mark Voxland	Present - Video
Board Member:	James Steen	Present - Chambers
Board Member:	Cathi Chial	Absent
Board Member:	Eldon Wollman	Absent

Also in Attendance:

City Manager Dan Mahli – In Chambers
City Clerk, Christina Rust – In Chambers

Call to Order

1. Chair, Jim Steen, called the Commission's annual meeting to order at 8:00a.m. and requested roll call of members by the City Clerk.

Roll Call

1. Christina Rust, City Clerk, called the roll. Eight members present, two absent. Quorum was established.

Election of Charter Commission Officers

2. Election of Officers: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary

Minutes: Jim Steen thanked the outgoing members Russell Hanson, Eldon Wollman, Thomas Krabbenhoft for their service on the Commission and welcomed new members. Mr. Steen thanked his fellow members for the privilege of serving on this committee.

Chair Nominations:

Julian Dahlquist nominated Mark Voxland second by Athena Gracyk

Tom Krabbenhoft nominated Joel Rehder second by Dave Sederquist

Russell Hanson nominated Athena Gracyk. Athena stated that she "would prefer not to be considered for this position"

Mark Voxland deferred to Joel Rehder and Julian Dahlquist rescinded his nomination for Mark Voxland

Motion to Nominate Joel Rehder as Chair made by Tom Krabbenhoft and second by Dave Sederquist

Motion Passed. For: 8

Vice Chair Nominations:

Jim Steen nominated Mark Voxland second by Tom Krabbenhoft

Motion to Nominate Mark Voxland as Vice Chair made by Jim Steen and second by Tom Krabbenhoft

Motion Passed. For: 8

Secretary Nominations:

Julian Dahlquist nominated Athena Gracyk second by Mark Voxland

Motion to Nominate Athena Gracyk as Secretary made by Julian Dahlquist and second by Mark Voxland

Motion Passed. For: 8

Approval of Minutes

2. December 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Motion made to Approve December 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes made by Mark Voxland and seconded by Athena Gracyk

Motion Passed. For: 8. Absent: 2

Reports of the Chair, Officers, Commissions and Committees

Public Comment – there was no public comment

Unfinished Business

3. Conflict Attorney related to Elected Officials serving on Public Utility Commissions

Minutes: The Charter members reviewed and discussed the request for qualifications submitted by those lawyers willing to work with the Charter Commission. City Manager Dan Mahli will reach out to the Commission members once we have a date set for upcoming training by Mr. Ramstad.

Discussion took place regarding the unexcused absence policy. Newly appointed secretary Athena Gracyk will reach out members who have been absent.

Motion to Hire Conflict Attorney Mr. Charles Ramstad related to Elected Officials serving on Public Utility Commissions made by Russell Hanson and seconded by Mark Voxland

Motion Passed

For: 8

Absent: 2

Motion to ask Charles Ramstad if he is willing to add a training session to the incoming and current Charter Commission members at the next scheduled meeting made by Jim Steen and seconded by Dave Sederquist.

Motion Passed

For: 8

Absent: 2

New Business – there was no new business.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:40am.

Respectfully submitted by:
Christina Rust, City Clerk