

**City of Moorhead
Committee of the Whole
Meeting Minutes
January 17, 2012 at 5:30 PM
City Hall Council Chambers**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held in the City Hall Council Chambers, on January 17, 2012, 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:	Heidi Durand	Present
2nd Ward Council Member:	Mark Altenburg	Present
3rd Ward Council Member:	Mike Hulett	Present
3rd Ward Council Member:	Brenda Elmer	Present
4th Ward Council Member:	Mark Hintermeyer	Present
4th Ward Council Member:	Steve Gehrtz	Present
Mayor:	Mark Voxland	Present

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1. [Presentation and Discussion: 2012-2016 Pavement Management and Transportation Improvement Plan](#)

Minutes: Bob Zimmerman, City Engineer, provided a presentation on the, "2012-2016 Pavement Management & Transportation Plan."

Zimmerman clarified the following in response Mayor and Council questions:

- Recommendations will be presented to the Council in the spring of 2012 with regard to downtown traffic signal/railroad pre-emption improvements.
- Municipal State Aid (MSA) construction funds are typically used to provide all or a portion of the required local match to leverage Federal funds. A fair amount of MSA funds will be dedicated toward the SE Main Ave/20th St/21st St grade separation project.
- The City prioritizes street improvement projects based on annual pavement ratings. The ability to complete these projects is based on the Council's funding prioritization.
- The City will attempt to develop a process that determines the number and level of special assessments applied on an area-wide basis in an effort to address concerns regarding the occurrence of multiple special assessments for various City projects which take place concurrently and/or consecutively (i.e. flood mitigation projects, street improvement projects, etc.).
- The SE Main Ave/CSAH 52/I-94 ramps will be realigned to meet current geometric standards. Minnesota Department of Transportation (Mn/DOT) will now be the project lead which will reduce City costs. A special assessment area is anticipated for

properties primarily between Main Ave. and 20th St. S. If desired, this special assessment area could be reduced.

- The TH 75 and 50th Ave S Roundabout project is recommended as a best solution to provide safety and operational improvements at the intersection.
- Consultants are utilized for some engineering projects, primarily for the purposes of flood mitigation.
- Developer Agreements intentionally delay the final bituminous overlay in new developments for a period of three- to five-years to allow for settlement to occur. Delaying the final overlay beyond this time could expose pavement to potential damage from heavy loads.
- There will be no transportation capital improvement projects scheduled in 2013. This will not affect regular street maintenance.

The Mayor and Council Members noted the following:

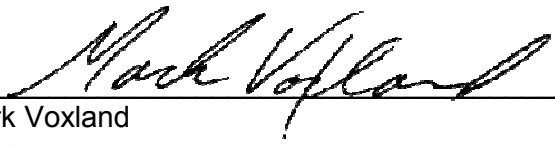
- The 11th Street Railroad Grade Separation project is a necessary future project.
- Concern was noted regarding assessment of the final bituminous overlay in developments which do not appear to have developer support.
- Resident concerns have been noted regarding the TH 75 and 50th Ave S Roundabout project.
- It was requested that the Mayor and City Council receive a report of pavement seal-coating planned in 2012.

2. [City Manager Reports](#)

Minutes: Michael Redlinger, City Manager, provided a draft copy of the 2012 City Council Retreat agenda and requested that the Mayor and Council provide any further direction and feedback at the earliest availability.

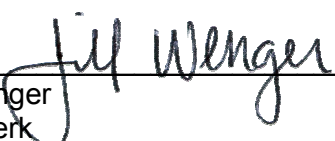
Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

APPROVED BY:



Mark Voxland
Mayor

ATTEST:



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