

**City of Moorhead
City Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes
December 09, 2013 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 December 09, 2013, 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 until 9:51 pm
Mayor:	Mark Voxland	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

City Council Meeting

1. [Call to Order and Roll Call](#)
2. [Pledge of Allegiance](#)
3. [Approve Minutes](#)

Motion to Approve made by Nancy Otto and seconded by Brenda Elmer

Motion to Approve Minutes as Corrected

Motion Passed

For: 8

- A. [November 25, 2013 City Council Minutes](#)
- B. [December 2, 2013 Committee of the Whole Minutes](#)
4. [Citizens Addressing the Council \(Time Reserved: 15 Minutes\)](#)

Minutes: Barbara Sipson, resident, thanked Luther Stueland, Mark Altenburg, Mark Voxland, and Mark Hintermeyer for their service on the City Council.

5. [Agenda Amendments](#)

Motion to Approve made by Nancy Otto and seconded by Luther Stueland

Motion to Approve Agenda Amendments

Motion Passed

For: 8

Minutes: Michael Redlinger, City Manager, requested to add a resolution to approve a minor subdivision, 1324 1st Ave. N, as item number 25a on the Consent Agenda.

6. [Consent Agenda](#)

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

Motion to Approve made by Heidi Durand and seconded by Nancy Otto
Motion to Approve Consent Agenda as Amended

Motion Passed
For: 8

Minutes: Item numbers 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16 were removed from the Consent Agenda and number 25a was added.

7. [Mayor and Council Appointments](#)

Motion to Approve made by Mark Altenburg and seconded by Nancy Otto
Motion to Approve Mayor and Council Appointments

Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-1**
For: 8

[Public Hearings \(5:45 p.m.\)](#)

8. [Public Hearing: 2013 Enterprise Zone Program](#)

Minutes: Public Hearing Opened at 5:45 pm

Amy Thorpe, Community Services Planner, explained the 2013 Enterprise Zone Program.

Public Hearing Closed at 5:50 pm

A. [Resolution to Approve 2013 Enterprise Zone Program](#)

Motion to Approve made by Steve Gehrtz and seconded by Mike Hulett
Motion to Approve Resolution to Approve 2013 Enterprise Zone Program

Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-2**
For: 8

9. [Public Hearing Regarding the Request of Orton Oil Company for Property Tax Exemption \(725 30 Ave S\)](#)

Minutes: Public Hearing Opened at 5:53 pm

Michael Redlinger, City Manager, and Amy Thorpe, Community Services Planner, explained the property tax exemption for Orton Oil located at 725

30th Ave. S.

Public Hearing Closed at 5:59 pm

A. [Resolution to Approve Property Tax Exemption for Orton Oil Company](#)

Motion to Approve made by Brenda Elmer and seconded by Mike Hulett

Motion to Approve Resolution to Approve Property Tax Exemption for Orton Oil Company

Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-3**

For: 8

Community Services Department

10. [*Resolution to Award Quote for Demolition at 1318/1320/1324/1328 Main Avenue in Preparation for Dorothy Day Parking Lot \(Community Development Block Grant\)](#)
Resolution 2013-1209-A

11. [*Approve Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Dilworth and Valley Seniors Services for Operations of Metro Senior Ride in 2014](#)

Motion to Approve made by Nancy Otto and seconded by Mark Altenburg

Motion to Approve Joint Powers Agreement with the City of Dilworth and Valley Seniors Services for Operations of Metro Senior Ride in 2014

Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-4**

For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

12. [*Approve Contract with City of Dilworth for Provision of MATBUS Fixed Route Transit Service During 2014](#)

Motion to Approve made by Heidi Durand and seconded by Nancy Otto

Motion to Approve Contract with City of Dilworth for Provision of MATBUS Fixed Route Transit Service During 2014

Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-5**

For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

[Engineering - Wastewater Treatment](#)

13. [*Amendment to the 2012-2016 Pavement Management & Transportation Improvement Plan & Related Actions](#)

Motion to Approve made by Mike Hulett and seconded by Brenda Elmer

Motion to Approve Amendment to the 2012-2016 Pavement Management & Transportation Improvement Plan & Related Actions

Motion Passed

For: 8

Minutes: Bob Zimmerman, City Engineer, briefly explained the 2012-2016 Pavement Management & Transportation Improvement Plan and related actions.

- A. [*Resolution to Approve an Amendment to the 2012-2016 Pavement Management & Transportation Improvement Plan](#)
Resolution 2013-1209-6
 - B. [*Resolution to Approve Memorandum of Understanding with Clay County](#)
Resolution 2013-1209-7
 - C. [*Resolution to Approve 2014 Special Assessment Rates for Street Mill & Overlay, Street Rehabilitation, Street Reconstruction, Sidewalk Repair, and Curb & Gutter Repair](#)
Resolution 2013-1209-8
14. [*Resolution to Award Bid for Sanitary Lift Station No. 8 & 13 Improvements. Eng. No. 13-6-3](#)
Resolution 2013-1209-B

Operations Department

15. [*Resolution to Approve Budget Adjustment - Forestry Division](#)
- Motion to Approve made by Nancy Otto and seconded by Heidi Durand
Motion to Approve Resolution to Approve Budget Adjustment - Forestry Division
- Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-9**
For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland
16. [*Resolution to Approve Budget Adjustment - Meadows Golf Course](#)
- Motion to Approve made by Mark Altenburg and seconded by Heidi Durand
Motion to Approve Resolution to Approve Budget Adjustment - Meadows Golf Course
- Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-10**
For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

Police Department

17. [Resolution to Approve the Red River Valley Drug & Violent Crimes Task Force Funding for 2014](#)
- Motion to Approve made by Mike Hulett and seconded by Heidi Durand
Motion to Approve Resolution to Approve the Red River Valley Drug & Violent Crimes Task Force Funding for 2014
- Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-11**
For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

Moorhead Public Service

18. [*Award Bids for 2014 Electrical Materials-Rebid for Distribution Cable and Primary Feed Cable](#)
Resolution 2013-1209-C

19. [*Approve Change Order No. 3 for River Pumping Station Project](#)
Resolution 2013-1209-D

Administration

20. [Adopt City of Moorhead and Economic Development Authority 2014 Budget, 2013 Tax Levy Payable in 2014 and Enterprise Fund Transfers](#)

- A. [Resolution to Adopt Economic Development Authority 2014 Budget and 2013 Tax Levy Payable 2014](#)

Motion to Approve made by Mark Altenburg and seconded by Heidi Durand
Motion to Approve Resolution to Adopt Economic Development Authority 2014 Budget and 2013 Tax Levy Payable 2014

Motion Passed
For: 7; Against: 1 - Luther Stueland

- B. [Resolution to Adopt City of Moorhead's 2014 Budget, 2013 Tax Levy Payable 2014 and Enterprise Fund Transfers](#)

Motion to Approve made by Brenda Elmer and seconded by Steve Gehrtz
Motion to Amend the Budget Resolution to Increase the MPS Electric Transfer by \$500,000 to Mitigate Increases to the Property Tax Levy with the Intent that Local Flood Mitigation Overmatch Funds in an Equal Amount be Allocated to Help Fund Demolition of the City's Power Plant.

Motion Failed
For: 4; Against: 5 – Nancy Otto, Heidi Durand, Mark Altenburg, Mike Hulett, Mark Voxland

Motion to Approve made by Nancy Otto and seconded by Heidi Durand
Motion to Approve Resolution to Adopt City of Moorhead's 2014 Budget, 2013 Tax Levy Payable 2014 and Enterprise Fund Transfers

Motion Failed
For: 3; Against: 5 – Luther Stueland, Brenda Elmer, Mark Hintermeyer, Steve Gehrtz

Motion to Approve made by Luther Stueland and Seconded by Mark Hintermeyer
Motion to Approve Resolution to Adopt a Total Tax Levy of \$8,107,000 plus reduction to travel of \$9,000 and \$580,376 General Reserves.

Motion Failed
For: 2 - Luther Stueland, Mark Hintermeyer; Against: 6

Motion to Approve made by Brenda Elmer and Seconded by Heidi Durand
Motion to Amend the Resolution to take the \$500,000 from the overmatch.

Motion Passed
For: 8

Motion to Approve made by Brenda Elmer and Seconded by Luther Stueland
Motion to Amend Resolution to Reduce Council Member and Mayor Optional
Conferences Expenses by \$9,000 to reduce the Levy Increase.

Motion Passed

For: 5; Against: Heidi Durand, Mark Altenburg, Mike Hulett

Motion to Approve made by Nancy Otto and Seconded by Steve Gehrtz

**Motion to Approve Resolution to include an additional \$250,000 transfer from
MPS with \$500,000 to be offset by overmatch funds as amended.**

Motion Passed

For: 7; Against: Luther Stueland

Minutes: Michael Redlinger, City Manager, and Wanda Wagner, Finance Director,
discussed the Budget Priorities, budget breakdown, and fuel and travel
costs.

Ken Lucier, resident, expressed his concern regarding expenditures and
revenues.

21. [Mayor and Council Reports](#)

- A. [*Resolution Opposing Proposed Amendments to Minnesota Rules, Chapter 1309,
Requiring Fire Sprinkler Systems in Single-Family Homes](#)
Resolution 2013-1209-E

22. [City Attorney Reports](#)

- A. [Request for Qualifications - 2014 Official City Newspaper](#)

Motion to Approve made by Steve Gehrtz and seconded by Brenda Elmer

Motion to Approve Request for Qualifications - 2014 Official City Newspaper

Motion Passed

For: 8

Minutes: John Shockley, City Attorney, discussed the RFQ and process that will be
sent out for the 2014 Official City Newspaper.

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

Minutes: Michael Redlinger, City Manager, discussed upcoming events and
Operations Director interviews.

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

Minutes: Executive Session began at 9:51 pm

- A. Resolution to Approve Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of
Moorhead and Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc., Local 69

Motion to Approve made by Steve Gehrtz and seconded by Brenda Elmer
Motion to Approve Collective Bargaining Agreement Between the City of Moorhead and Law Enforcement Labor Services, Inc., Local 69

Motion Passed **Resolution 2013-1209-14**
For: 7; Absent – Mark Altenburg

25. New Business

B. * Resolution to Approve Minor Subdivision (1324 1st Avenue North)
Resolution 2013-1209-F

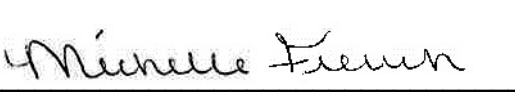
Meeting adjourned at 9:51 pm

APPROVED BY:



Del Rae Williams
Mayor

ATTEST:



Michelle French
City Clerk

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

Respectfully submitted by:
Michelle French, City Clerk