



**City of Moorhead
Charter Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 23, 2020 at 8:00 AM
Virtual Meeting**

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Board Member:	Corey Delorme	Present – Video
Board Member:	Julian Dahlquist	Present – Video
Board Member:	Athena Gracyk	Present – Video – joined approx. 8:06am
Board Member:	Thomas Krabbenhoft	Present – Video
Board Member:	Joel Rehder	Present – Video
Board Member:	James Steen	Present – Video
Board Member:	Mark Voxland	Present – Video
Board Member:	Cathi Chial	Absent
Board Member:	Russell Hanson	Absent
Board Member:	Dave Sederquist	Absent
Board Member:	Eldon Wollman	Absent

Also in Attendance:

Acting City Manager Dan Mahli – In Chambers
City Clerk, Christina Rust – In Chambers
Moorhead Resident Bill Schwandt – Video

Call to Order & Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

1. September 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Motion made to Approve September 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes with Mark Voxland and Joel Rehder were in attendance at the meeting made by Julian Dahlquist and seconded by Corey Delorme

Motion Passed

For: 6 - Corey Delorme, Julian Dahlquist, Thomas Krabbenhoft, Joel Rehder, James Steen, Mark Voxland

Absent: 5 - Cathi Chial, Athena Gracyk, Russell Hanson, Dave Sederquist, Eldon Wollman

Unfinished Business

1. Hiring a Conflict Attorney for the Charter Commission to Address the Question of Appointment of Elected Officials to the Moorhead Public Service Commission

Minutes: Two conflict attorney options were shared with the Moorhead Charter Commission. They are Attorney Randy Stefanson and Detroit Lakes City Attorney Charles Ramstad. As part of the service, Mr. Ramstad would assist the Charter Commission with Charter related questions and process, and not give an opinion about amending the City Charter. In contrast, Mr. Stefanson would assist the Commission with Charter questions and process, and also offer an opinion. The Charter Commission discussed the matter.

Motion made for the Charter Commission to Approve Hiring Conflict Attorney Randy Stefanson to Address the Question of Appointment of Elected Officials to the Moorhead Public Service Commission made by Thomas Krabbenhoft and seconded by Joel Rehder

Motion Failed

For: 3 - Thomas Krabbenhoft, Joel Rehder, James Steen

Against: 4 - Corey Delorme, Julian Dahlquist, Athena Gracyk, Mark Voxland

Absent: 4 - Cathi Chial, Russell Hanson, Dave Sederquist, Eldon Wollman

Motion to ask the League of Minnesota Cities what is happening across the State of MN in regard to Elected Officials serving on Water, Power and Light Utility Commissions made by Mark Voxland and seconded by Athena Gracyk

Motion Passed

For: 7 - Corey Delorme, Julian Dahlquist, Athena Gracyk, Thomas Krabbenhoft, Joel Rehder, James Steen, Mark Voxland

Absent: 4 - Cathi Chial, Russell Hanson, Dave Sederquist, Eldon Wollman

Minutes: Acting City Manager Dan Mahli was asked to reach out to the League of Minnesota Cities.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:02am

Respectfully submitted by:

Christina Rust, City Clerk