



**City of Moorhead
Charter Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 22, 2014 at 8:00 AM
Hjemkomst Center - Elm Board Room**

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Call to Order

Roll Call

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Board Member:	Eldon Wollman	Present
Board Member:	Russ Hanson	Present
Board Member:	Francine Gilmore	Present
Board Member:	Ken Tangen	Present
Board Member:	Jim Danielson	Absent
Board Member:	Darvin Landa	Present
Board Member:	James Steen	Present
Board Member:	Athena Gracyk	Present
Board Member:	Ronald Hagemann	Present
Board Member:	Tom Krabbenhoft	Present
Board Member:	Doug Fagerlie	Present
Board Member:	Yoke-Sim Gunaratne	Present
Board Member:	Michael Friesen	Present

Guests present:

Pat Kovash	Kovash Marine/MBA/EDA
Jim Haney	Moorhead City Council
Bruce Bekkerus	A-1 Automotive
Les Stenerson	Stenerson Lumber

Introduction of New Member/Administer Oath of Office

Approval of Minutes

[September 3, 2014 Minutes](#)

Doug Fagerlie made a correction that Richard Bolton was no longer on the Charter Commission and Michael Friesen replaced him and was present at the September 3, 2014 Meeting.

Motion to approve amended minutes of September 3, 2014 by Fagerlie seconded by Gilmore; motion approved by unanimous vote.

Reports of the Chair, Officers, Commissions and Committees

None

Public Comment

Comments were received from Pat Kovash, Moorhead Marine; Jim Haney, Council Member; Bruce Bekkerus, A-1 Automotive; and Les Stenerson, Stenerson Lumber; regarding the current voting requirements.

Unfinished Business

[City Council Voting Requirements](#)

John Shockley, City Attorney, provided a brief history on the City of Moorhead's voting requirements.

Contracts

The Charter Commission briefly discussed "Contracts" and would like to invite the City Manager to attend the next meeting for clarity.

The Charter Commission directed John Shockley, City Attorney, to provide a memo on how contracts work.

Acquiring Property, Selling Property, Disposing of Property, Utilizing Eminent Domain

Tax Levies

Bond Issues

Mayor Voting

League of Minnesota Cities Discussion

Russ Hanson announced that the League of Minnesota Cities does not have an expert relating to Charter Cities.

The Charter Commission would like to invite a Political Scientist from the University of North Dakota and a representative from the City of Barnesville to the next meeting.

New Business

Motion to hold the next meeting on Wednesday, December 10, 2014 at 8:00 am made by Fagerlie seconded by Steen; motion approved by unanimous vote

Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 9:43 am

*Respectfully submitted by:
Michelle French, City Clerk*