



**CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 11, 2024 AT 5:30 PM  
HJEMKOMST CENTER AUDITORIUM**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Present: Council Member: Ryan Nelson  
Council Member: Matthew Gilbertson  
Council Member: Heather Nesemeier  
Council Member: Laura Caroon  
Council Member: Deb White  
Council Member: Larry Seljevold  
Council Member: Sebastian McDougall  
Council Member: Chuck Hendrickson  
Mayor: Shelly Carlson

Absent:

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Agenda Amendments

4. Consent Agenda

**Motion to Approve Consent Agenda made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Laura Caroon**

Motion Passed

For: 8; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Seljevold, McDougall, Hendrickson

Against: 0;

Abstain/Recuse: 0;

Absent: 0

5. Recognitions - Presentations

A. MoorHeart Recognition: Jen Troska

Governmental Affairs Director Lisa Bode presented a MoorHeart Award to Jen Troska for her work and dedication to improve accessibility. Ms. Troska thanked the community and shared information about the Inclusive Playground in Moorhead.

B. Gate City Bank/City of Moorhead Neighborhood Impact Home Improvement Program

Gate City Bank Assistant Vice President Angie Fogel shared information on the Neighborhood Impact Program (NIP) partnership and presented a \$2M check dedicated to fund the housing rehabilitation program in Moorhead.

6. Approve Minutes

A. February 26, 2024 Meeting Minutes

**Motion to Approve February 26, 2024 Meeting Minutes made by Deb White and seconded by Larry Seljevold**

Motion Passed

For: 8; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Seljevold, McDougall, Hendrickson

Against: 0;

Abstain/Recuse: 0;

Absent: 0;

7. Citizens Addressing the Council (Time Reserved: 15 Minutes)

8. \*Mayor and Council Appointments

9. Public Hearings (5:45 pm)

- A. Public Hearing to Consider Actions Relating to Declaration of a Hazardous Building - 1008 2nd Avenue North, Parcel No. 58.324.0420

**Motion to Open Public Hearing Public Hearing to Consider Actions Relating to Declaration of a Hazardous Building - 1008 2nd Avenue North, Parcel No. 58.324.0420 made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Deb White**

Motion Passed

For: 8; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Seljevold, McDougall, Hendrickson

Against: 0;

Abstain/Recuse: 0;

Absent: 0

Community Development Director Kristie Leshovsky shared information about a hazardous building declaration on residential property located at 1008 2 Ave N in Moorhead.

**Motion to Close Public Hearing Public Hearing to Consider Actions Relating to Declaration of a Hazardous Building - 1008 2nd Avenue North, Parcel No. 58.324.0420 made by Sebastian McDougall and seconded by Laura Caroon**

Motion Passed

For: 8; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Seljevold, McDougall, Hendrickson

Against: 0;

Abstain/Recuse: 0;

Absent: 0

- B. Resolution to Declare 1008 2nd Avenue North structure a hazardous building under Minnesota Statute 463 and order the owner of the hazardous building to correct or remove the hazardous conditions of the building

**Motion to Approve Resolution to Declare 1008 2nd Avenue North structure a hazardous building under Minnesota Statute 463 and order the owner of the hazardous building to correct or remove the hazardous conditions of the building made by Ryan Nelson and seconded by Deb White**

Motion Passed

For: 8; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Seljevold, McDougall, Hendrickson

Against: 0;

Abstain/Recuse: 0;

Absent: 0

- C. Resolution to Authorize Agreement(s) necessary to abate the hazardous conditions of 1008 2nd Avenue North by demolition if the owner fails to address hazardous conditions

**Motion to Approve Resolution to Declare 1008 2nd Avenue North structure a hazardous building under Minnesota Statute 463 and order the owner of the hazardous building to correct or remove the hazardous conditions of the building made by Ryan Nelson and seconded by Deb White**

Motion Passed

For: 8; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Seljevold, McDougall, Hendrickson

Against: 0;

Abstain/Recuse: 0;

Absent: 0

10. Engineering Department

- A. \*Resolution to Award Bid for the North Moorhead Project, Phase 2
- B. \*Resolution to Approve Plans & Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for Proposed 2024 Final Wearing Course and Meadows Golf Course Parking Lot Improvements (Eng. No. 24-A2-02)
- C. \*Resolution to Award Bid for Sanitary Lift Station No. 40 Improvements (Eng. No. 24-06-01)
- D. \*Resolution to Award Bid for Storm Lift Station No. 13 Improvements (Eng. No. 24-05-01)

11. Community Development Department

- A. \*Resolution to Approve Conditional Use Permit to allow Excavation/fill in the Floodway and Flood Fringe at 5751 Oakport St N
- B. \*Resolution to Approve a Hangar Land Lease - Moorhead Airport
- C. \*Resolution to Approve Minor Subdivision - 2107 40th Avenue S - Parcel 58.900.1758

12. Administration

- A. Request by Council Members Deb White and Heather Nesemeier to vote on the Moorhead Human Rights Commission's Ceasefire Resolution passed on February 29, 2024

The City Council heard testimony from residents about the Moorhead Human Rights Commission's approved resolution for a permanent ceasefire in Palestine and Israel. Moorhead resident Amanda Ghuari read the resolution and Moorhead HRC Chair Siham Amedy requested the City Council vote to approve the resolution. The Moorhead City Council discussed a motion to approve the ceasefire resolution as amended.

**Motion to Accept the HRC Resolution and add the City Council of the City of Moorhead and the additional Whereas Request made by Deb White and seconded by Heather Nesemeier**

Motion Passed

For: 5; Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Seljevold, Carlson

Against: 2; McDougall, Gilbertson

Abstain/Recuse: 2; Nelson, Hendrickson

Absent: 0

- B. \*Resolution to Approve Short Term Extension to Lien Agreement
- C. \*Resolution to Approve Settlement And Release Agreement between City of Moorhead and Benton Hicks
- D. \*Resolution to Authorize Deposit of Appraised Values for FM Area Diversion

13. Mayor and Council Reports

Council Member Heather Nesemeier invited residents to the Cass Clay Food Commission meeting at Fargo City Hall on Wednesday, March 13 at 10:30. Council Member Nesemeier also spoke about an upcoming Clay County Extension Service meeting and resources that are available.

Council Member Deb White spoke about attending the National Association of Women in Construction Hard Hat Happy Hour and Hammer Slammin Tournament, which she read a proclamation and retained the 1<sup>st</sup> place trophy. Council Member White also mentioned her attendance at the International Women's Day Celebration hosted by Kondial Kel International. Council Member White shared that Moorhead Human Rights Commission Chair Siham Amedy is nominated for a YWCA Women of the Year Award.

Council Member Sebastian McDougall talked about the construction of a new private hanger at the Florence Klingensmith Airport in Moorhead and the possibility of another one or two more hangers in the future.

Council Member Ryan Nelson stated Amanda Glasoe has been offered the position of Executive Director with the Red River Regional Dispatch Center.

Council Member Laura Caroon spoke about her attendance with Mayor Carlson, Council Member Hendrickson and Governmental Affairs Director Lisa Bode at the Chamber's Moorhead Area Day at the Capital and the League of Minnesota Cities' Day on the Hill in St. Paul.

Council Member Chuck Hendrickson stated he attended the 2024 Greater Fargo Moorhead Economic Development Corporation's annual meeting.

14. City Manager Reports

15. Executive Session

16. New Business

17. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:41pm

APPROVED BY:



Michelle (Shelly) A. Carlson  
Mayor

ATTEST:



Christina Rust  
City Clerk

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