



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 08, 2023 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: Steve Lindaas
Council Member: Larry Seljevold
Council Member: Chuck Hendrickson
Mayor: Shelly Carlson

Absent:

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Agenda Amendments

4. Recognitions - Presentations

A. MoorHeart Recognition: Addison Loerzel

Governmental Affairs Director Lisa Bode introduced Addison Loerzel and shared the many ways Addie uses her time to help benefit the residents of Moorhead. Addie is the founder of Addie's Royal Cupcake Stand, is involved in Churches United Events and the Backpack Blessing Service Project and volunteers at the Ronald McDonald House, these are just a few examples of Addie being an exemplary Moorhead citizen.

5. Consent Agenda

*All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in accordance with the "Council Rules of Procedure". In such event, the item will be removed from the General Order of Business and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.*

Motion to Approve made by Chuck Hendrickson and seconded by Heather Nesemeier

Motion Passed

For: 9; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Lindaas, Seljevold, Hendrickson

Against: 0;

Abstain/Recuse: 0;

Absent: 0;

6. Approve Minutes

A. April 24, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve April 24, 2023 Meeting Minutes made by Steve Lindaas and seconded by Chuck Hendrickson

Motion Passed

For: 9; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Lindaas, Seljevold, 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)
10. Engineering Department
 - A. *Resolution to Award Bid for 2nd Ave N Area Underground Utility & Street Improvements (Eng. No. 23-A2-04A and 14-02-03F)
 - B. *Resolution to Authorize Easement Acquisition for Midtown Trail (Eng No. 21-13-01)
11. Fire Department
 - A. *Resolution to Enter into a Contract Between the City of Moorhead and EAPC Architects Engineers for a Remodel of Fire Station 1 to Accommodate the 11th St N Underpass
12. Community Development Department
 - A. *Resolution to Approve Vacation of Easement Within Bright Sky Addition (3350 3rd Ave N)
 - B. *Resolution to Approve Preliminary and Final Plat relating to Eighth Avenue Addition
 - C. *Resolution to Approve Extension of Conditional Use Permit for Residential Parking Lot in RLD-0a at 1500 Wall St Ave N
13. Moorhead Public Service
 - A. *Resolution to Approve Renewable Energy Certificate Program with Western Area Power Administration
14. Administration
 - A. Resolution to Approve the Appointment of the Public Works Director

Human Resources Director Amy Settergren introduced Paul Fiechtner and provided council with a background on his previous work experience.

Motion to Approve Resolution to Approve the Appointment of the Public Works Director made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Ryan Nelson

Motion Passed

For: 9; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Lindaas, Seljevold, Hendrickson

Against: 0

Abstain/Recuse: 0

Absent: 0

- B. Resolution to Authorize Agreement with JLG Architects for Architectural/Engineering Services for the Moorhead Community Center/Public Library

Community Development Director Kristie Leshovsky presented the agreement with JLG Architects for the community center and library project. Ms. Leshovsky shared with council that following proposals and interviews the review team recommended JLG and the Miller Hall team for this project.

Motion to Approve Resolution to Authorize Agreement with JLG Architects for Architectural/Engineering Services for the Moorhead Community Center/Public Library made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Laura Caroon

Motion Passed

For: 9; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Lindaas, Seljevold, Hendrickson

Against: 0

Abstain/Recuse: 0

Absent: 0

15. Mayor and Council Reports

Council Member Steve Lindaas shared with council the Partnership for Health working on a region wide food plan and will have an online survey for input on our local food plan. Mr. Lindaas spoke to residents of an opportunity to be part of a bee house making and pollinators discussion on May 13 registration is required. Council Member Lindaas shared two opportunities to make our parks better by helping remove buckthorn at MB Johnson Park on May 16 in the morning and at Gooseberry Park in the afternoon. Mr. Lindaas thanked residents for picking up litter and informed all that there is a city-wide litter clean up event at Romkey Park on May 19.

Council Member Deb White shared her and Council Member Caroon's attendance at a workshop held by the City's Economic Development Authority where the City Assessor supplied information on the current market in Moorhead. Ms. White mentioned that the Moorhead Police Department is now taking applications for their cadet program.

Council Member Chuck Hendrickson spoke to council of his attendance at the Fargo Air Museum for the kickoff of Vietnam Vet Week. Mr. Hendrickson talked about the FirstLink Annual Breakfast he attended; the speaker was Dennis Gillan who is a professional mental health advocate. Council Member Hendrickson shared that he attended the Fargo-Moorhead Area Music Club Luncheon and read a proclamation for National Music Week at the event.

Mayor Shelly Carlson provided council with a Fargo Moorhead Diversion Project and funding update. Mayor Carlson spoke of her participation as one of the first guests on the Noon Hour Morning Show with Travis and Alicia. The mayor shared her meeting with Congresswoman Michelle Fischbach where she was able to provide information on Moorhead's flood mitigation work, 11th Street project and the Entrepreneurial Center.

16. City Manager Reports

17. Executive Session

- A. Executive session pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3 (b) for the purpose of providing the City Attorney negotiating parameters to develop an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development for economic development opportunities within the City of Moorhead (DEED)

Motion to Enter Closed Session Executive session pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3 (b) for the purpose of providing the City Attorney negotiating parameters to develop an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development for economic development opportunities within the City of Moorhead (DEED) made by Ryan Nelson and seconded by Laura Caroon

Motion Passed

For: 9; Nelson, Gilbertson, Nesemeier, Caroon, White, Lindaas, Seljevold, Hendrickson

Against: 0

Abstain/Recuse: 0

Absent: 0

Exited Executive Session at 6:26pm

18. New Business

19. Adjourn

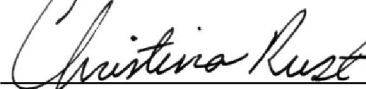
Meeting adjourned at 6:27pm

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.