



**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
HJEMKOMST CENTER AUDITORIUM - 202 1ST AVE N.
March 9, 2026 - 5:30 PM**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Roll call of the members was made as follows:

Present (8): Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Present Not Voting (1): Shelly Carlson

Absent (0):

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Agenda Amendments

A request was made to add an agenda item related to the local Ad Hoc group to discuss ICE and Border Activities locally to the New Business section.

4. Consent Agenda

Motion to Approve made by Sebastian McDougall and seconded by Emily Moore.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

5. Recognitions/Presentations

A. Presentation: Gate City Bank/City of Moorhead Neighborhood Impact Home Improvement Program

Gate City Bank Retail Manager Brandie Olson and Personal Loan Officer Eric Fritchman shared information on the Neighborhood Impact Home Improvement Program and presented a \$2M check dedicated to fund the housing rehabilitation program in Moorhead.

B. Swearing-In and Badge Pinning for Moorhead Police Officers

Moorhead Police Chief Chris Helmick presented new police officers and badges were pinned. Mayor Carlson conducted the swearing-in.

6. Approve Minutes

A. February 23, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Motion to Approve made by Lisa Borgen and seconded by Ryan Nelson.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

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

Moorhead resident addressed the council regarding the Ad Hoc group for ICE and Border activities.

8. Mayor and Council Appointments

- A. *Resolution for Appointments to Boards and Committees

9. Public Hearings (5:45 pm)

- A. Public Hearing Regarding the Application of Midland Assisted Care LLC, Leasing to Goldthorpe Corp/BeeHive Homes, for a Multi-Family "Housing with Health-Related Services" Tax Incentive for an Expansion of the Senior Living Community Located at 1001 Caddy Ave (58.900.1743)

Motion to Open Public Hearing made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Sebastian McDougall.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

Downtown Moorhead Inc. President/CEO Matt Leiseth presented the application of Midland Assisted Care LLC for an expansion of the Senior Living Community located at 1001 Caddy Ave.

Motion to Close Public Hearing made by Heather Nesemeier and seconded by Lisa Borgen.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

- B. Resolution to Approve a Multi-Family "Housing with Health-Related Services" Tax Incentive for Midland Assisted Care LLC, Leasing to Goldthorpe Corp/BeeHive Homes, for the Expansion of a Senior Living Community Located at 1001 Caddy Ave (58.900.1743)

Motion to Approve made by Ryan Nelson and seconded by Heather Nesemeier.

For 8: Ryan Nelson, Nicole Mattson, Heather Nesemeier, Emily Moore, Deb White, Lisa Borgen, Sebastian McDougall, Chuck Hendrickson

Against 0: None

Abstain/Recuse 0: None

Motion Passed

10. Community Development Department

- A. *Resolution to Approve Agricultural Lease with Prairie Rose Agricultural Institute for Research, Innovation, and Education (PRAIRIE)

- B. *Resolution to Approve Task Order for Snow Removal Equipment Procurement – Moorhead Municipal Airport Florence Klingensmith Field

11. Economic Development

12. Engineering Department

- A. *Resolution to Approve Plans & Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for 17th St and 4th Ave N Street Improvements (Eng. No. 26-A2-03)
- B. *Resolution to Approve Plans & Specifications and Authorize Advertisement for Bids for Prairie Parkway 3rd Addition Street & Utility Improvements (Eng. No. 26-A6-02)
- C. *Resolution to Receive Report and Order Plans & Specifications for Prairie Parkway 4th Addition Street and Underground Utility Improvements (Eng. No. 26-A6-04)

13. Fire Department

14. Moorhead Public Service

15. Parks and Recreation Department

16. Police Department

17. Public Works

18. Administration

19. Mayor and Council Reports

Council Member Nesemeier shared updates from the most recent Solid Waste Advisory Committee meeting. CM Nesemeier invited the public to apply to the Clay County Extension Committee as well as attend the upcoming Cass Clay Food Commission meeting.

Council Member Moore shared updates from the recent Park Board meeting and Economic Development Authority meeting. CM Moore invited everyone to attend the 35th Annual Woodlands and High Plains PowWow on March 28th.

Council Member Mattson attended the Greater FM EDC Un-Annual Meeting and invited Moorhead small businesses to connect with Dakota Business Lending.

Council Member White attended the Greater FM EDC Un-Annual Meeting and the Stand with Ukraine event on the Veterans Bridge. CM White shared updates from the latest CAPLP meeting. CM White invited everyone to attend the Global Market on March 17th for Women's History Month.

Mayor Carlson extended thanks to Mayor Pro Tem Chuck Hendrickson, for leading the last meeting as well as congratulations to the Moorhead Spuds hockey team. Mayor Carlson presented at the Fargo South Career Day and participated in a Conservation Minnesota Webinar. Mayor Carlson read a proclamation recognizing Women in Construction week as well as went against Mayor Mahoney in Hammerschlagen. Mayor Carlson met with MRES and convened the Moorhead Ad Hoc Committee to discuss ICE and border enforcement activities locally.

20. City Manager Reports

City Manager Dan Mahli shared an update on flood expectations for spring 2026. Mr. Mahli also shared that the Engineering Department has created a FAQ on the proposed work on 40th Ave. S and is available on the moorheadmn.gov website.

21. Executive Session

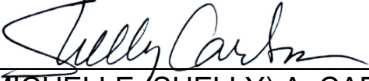
22. New Business

Council member Nesemeier shared an update on the ICE and Border Activities ad-hoc group created by Mayor Carlson.

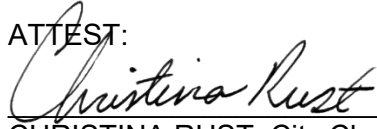
23. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 06:36 PM.

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.