

AGENDA
ANNUAL JOINT LGU MEETING
Northern Town Hall

Tuesday, January 8, 2019 REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 p.m.

- **Roll Call** **Chair**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Approval of the Agenda**

A. INTRODUCTIONS & MEAL

B. NEW BUSINESS

- **Joint Powers Agreement (Ends December 31, 2019) Discussion** **Chair**
 - **New Agreement Terms and Conditions**
 - **Annexation – Next Phase 2020**

C. OTHER BUSINESS

D. VISITORS **Chair**

E. UPCOMING MEETINGS **Chair**

- **Set Spring/Summer LGU Meeting Date**

F. ADJOURN **Chair**

**MINUTES
GREATER BEMIDJI AREA
JOINT LGU MEETING**

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CALL TO ORDER: City of Bemidji Chair, Michael Meehlhause called the regular meeting of the Joint LGU to order at 6:09 p.m. Roll call was taken, the pledge of allegiance was performed.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rita Albrecht, Nancy Erickson, Michael Meehlhause, Jim Thompson, Michael Beard, Emelie Rivera, Ron Johnson, Jess Frenzel, Mike Kelly, Curt Blumhagen, Paul Wiese, Tim Faver, Don Heinonen, Nicki Lemmer, Kristi Miller, Allen Steffen, Bill Smith

MEMBERS ABSENT: Clark Chambers, Doug Kranich, Jeremy Berg, Judy David, Chris Lahn

STAFF PRESENT: Nate Mathews, Craig Gray, Sam Anderson, Al Felix, Casey Mai, Jamin Carlson, Terri Ball

OTHERS: Mary Israelson, Bill Hensley, Jon Kummer, Corey Wright

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Erickson, second by Thompson, to approve agenda as written.

Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT: Mai stated the ending date of the current agreement is December 31, 2019, and that both parties have voted to extend the agreement. Discussion included support of creating a subcommittee which will work with staff on terminology, length of agreement, and budget funding. Consensus was for each LGU to appoint two (2) representatives, within a timeline of next week. The goal is to have a preliminary agreement for review at the spring Joint LGU meeting, which will include a budget, annexation mechanism, enforcement position, septic/water plan, and summary of conversations with surrounding townships regarding interest in membership of the GBAJPB.

Annexation – The 2020 Phase was discussed with full support from Northern Township as per existing plan. Staff report on sewer system to be presented at the January 22nd City Council work session. Discussions about annexation details are expected to begin in April.

OTHER BUSINESS:

RUTTGER'S RESORT: City staff asked the status of the MPCA situation. Ruttger's owners are currently working directly with MPCA, and the permitting process is anticipated to be 5-6 months long.

VISITORS: No one came forward.

FUTURE MEETING DATE: May 7th was decided. Location was suggested to be the Sanford Center ballroom, starting at 6:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Motion by Steffen, second by Thompson to adjourn the regular Joint Planning Board Local Government Unit meeting at 7:31 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Ball
Planning Administrative Assistant

Approved and attended by: Michael Kelly
Joint Planning Board Representative