



JOINT LGU MEETING

**Location: City of Bemidji, City Hall Council Chambers/Cisco Webex
(For log in information <https://www.jpbgba.org/planning-actions>)**

**Date: Tuesday November 16th, 2021
5:30 PM – 7:30 PM**

Meeting called by Chair

5:30 PM – 6:00 PM **Dinner/Introduction**

6:00 PM – 6:05 PM **Start of Meeting**

Roll Call | Chair

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda

Approval of June 16th, 2021 LGU Minutes

6:05 PM – 6:20 PM **New Business**

General Topics of Interest by the LGU's | Chair

Training for TWP, JPC, JPB, Council February or March

6:20 PM – 7:28 PM **Old Business**

Utility Services Extended to the North End of Lake Bemidji
(Annexation?)

Update: Elliot Rd NE Paving Project

7:28 PM – 7:30 PM **Upcoming Meeting**

Set Next Meeting Spring/Summer 2022

7:30 PM Adjourn

**MINUTES
GREATER BEMIDJI AREA
JOINT LGU MEETING**

November 16, 2021
6:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers
317 4th St NW

CALL TO ORDER: Joint Planning Board Chair, Jess Frenzel, called the regular meeting of the Joint LGU to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was taken, and the pledge of allegiance was performed.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ron Johnson, Daniel Jourdain (6:07), Josh Peterson, Jorge Prince, Emelie Rivera, Audrey Thayer, Gary Barnard, Curt Blumhagen, Jess Frenzel, Mike Kelly, Chris Lahn, Jeremy Berg, Judy David, Tim Faver, Joe Gould, Mike Granlund, Don Heinonen, Nicki Lemmer, Bill Smith, Allen Steffen.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Jamin Carlson, Nick Phillips, Ainslee Krause, Melissa Fahrenbruch, Nate Mathews, Michelle Miller, Craig Gray, Sam Anderson, Al Felix, Katie Nolting, Ron Eischens.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion by Prince, second by Blumhagen, to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Granlund inquired as to the subcommittee referenced in the minutes. Frenzel and Kelly clarified that it was a subcommittee of the Joint Planning Board for specific topics such as budget, personnel topics, and the like.

Motion by Kelly, second by Heinonen, to approve minutes from June 16, 2021 Joint LGU meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

General Topics of Interest for the LGU's:

Gould suggested inviting Secretary of State Steve Simon or State Auditor Julie Blaha to the next Joint LGU meeting to answer questions or provide a presentation. Staff and members discussed.

Training for TWP, JPB, JPC, City Council February or March:

Staff and members discussed scheduling a training for City Council, Northern Township, and the Joint Planning Commission. Staff addressed that they would look into scheduling a training.

Gould inquired about the League of Minnesota Cities trainings and if they are available to joint Planning Commission members. Staff addressed that they would verify.

Compliance Inspector and Site Analyst

Members and staff discussed the compliance inspector and site analyst position.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Utility Services Extended to the North End of Lake Bemidji (Annexation?)

Phillips presented on the current situation and existing data that the JPB has on septic systems along the North end of Lake Bemidji. Phillips identified possible solutions. Council, Township, and JPB Board members discussed the North End of Lake Bemidji and Ruttger's. Members discussed potential solutions and the possibility of a subcommittee and/or all council and township board members to meet and discuss the matter further. Staff reiterated that there is a short timeline of six months in regards to Ruttger's sewer solutions that will have to be submitted to the MPCA by November of 2023.

Update: Elliot Road NE Paving Project

Sam Anderson provided an update on the completed Elliot Road NE joint paving project.

FUTURE JOINT LGU MEETING DATE:

It was agreed that the next Joint LGU meeting will be in the spring/summer of 2022.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, Motion by Steffen, second by Lemmer, to adjourn the regular Joint Local Government Unit meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Ainslee Krause
Planning Administrative Assistant

Approved and attested by: 
Joint Planning Board Representative