

# Mounds View Charter Commission Minutes - APPROVED

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

1. Call to Order. Regular meeting came to order at 6:37 PM.
2. Roll Call. Present: B. Amundsen (Secretary), B. Clawson, D. Erickson, Bob King Jr., G. Quick, R. Scholl, R. Warren (Chair)  
Excused: M. Munson,  
Absent: J. Peterson,  
Also present: Council Liaison Gary Meehlhause
3. Approval of Agenda and Minutes.
  - A. Approve Agenda.  
Chair R. Warren introduced the Preliminary Agenda.  
**MOTION**, by R Scholl, **and seconded**, by B. King Jr., **to adopt the Preliminary Agenda as presented**. Discussion for changes was requested, none were offered. **Motion Adopted.**
  - B. Approve Minutes.  
Chair R. Warren asked for review of the Secretary's March 15, 2022, minutes.  
**MOTION**, by G. Quick, **and seconded**, by B. King Jr., **to approve the Minutes as presented**. Discussion for changes was requested, none were offered. **Motion Adopted.**
4. Citizens Comment from the Floor.  
No citizens asked to speak.
5. Reports of Chair.  
Chair R. Warren reported on his health status to the Commission.
6. Reports of Members.  
No Commission members made reports.
7. Unfinished Business.
  - A. Chapter 4 Nominations and Elections. Chair R. Warren introduced the topic for discussion and asked if all members had a copy of the report presented at the March 2022 meeting. Chair then asked to go through the reports four points in order to seek consensus for what and how to modifying the charter language the four points address. Commission discussion occurred in the following order:  
Item 4) Chapter 4, Section 4.02, Subdivision 2 Term Limits. Discussion occurred on the history of the language and past attempts to remove. The Chair was directed to seek legal opinion for the proper process, if the Charter Commission agreed, to remove the language, which the MN Supreme Court has ruled unconstitutional in past.  
Item 1) Length of time for Council Appointment of vacant council seat. The consensus of the Commission was to leave the 365 day language and make no changes.  
Item 3) What constitutes a vacancy. The consensus of the Commission was to add a reference to Chapter 4 which points to Chapter 2, Section 2.05 vacancy clause.  
Item 2) Special Election timing. The Chair was directed to seek Ramsey County Elections for an opinion of the time they require to conduct a special election.  
The Secretary was asked to prepare memos for the Chair to submit to the City Administrator on the legal opinion and election timing opinion, to draft language for item 3 (if answered item 4 and 2), and report back to the Commission with the draft language at its next meeting.
8. New Business  
There was no new business presented.

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9. Next Regular Meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Commission is July 19, 2022, at 6:30 PM.

Secretary B. Amundsen recommended the Commission review and adopt a meeting resolution at the July meeting for the months of September, November 2022 and January 2023. The Chair directed the resolution to be drafted for discussion at next meeting.

10. Adjournment: With no other items for the Commission to consider, the Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Amundsen,

Secretary, Charter Commission of Mounds View MN