

**APPROVED MINUTE SUMMARY
OF THE CITY COUNCIL & EDHA BOARD
CLOSED SPECIAL MEETING
CITY OF EAST GRAND FORKS
MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2014 – 5:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Closed Special Meeting of the East Grand Forks City Council for August 11, 2014 was called to order by Council President Buckalew at 5:00 P.M.

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of Roll the following members of the East Grand Forks City Council were present: Council President Craig Buckalew, Council Vice President Greg Leigh, Council Members Clarence Vetter, Dale Helms, Henry Tweten, Mark Olstad, and Chad Grassel.

CALL TO ORDER:

The Closed Special Meeting of the East Grand Forks Economic Development/Housing Authority Board for August 11, 2014 was called to order by Board President Wogaman at 5:00 P.M.

CALL OF ROLL:

On a call of Roll the following members of the East Grand Forks Economic Development/Housing Authority were present: President George Wogaman, Vice-President Justin Hecht, Treasurer Kerry Knoff, Secretary Nan Larson, Board members Chip Shea, Chad Grassel, and Mark Olstad.

Staff present included Ron Galstad, City Attorney; David Murphy, City Administrator; Megan Nelson, Executive Assistant; and Brad Sinclair, Attorney.

Guests at the meeting included Dan Stauss, Scott Stauss, and Jane Moss.

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM BY BOTH CITY COUNCIL AND EDHA BOARD:

Council President determined there was a quorum for the City Council and the EDHA President determined there was a quorum for the EDHA Board.

1. Closed session with both the City Council and EDHA Board to discuss possible litigation. The closed session is to be performed according to the exception to the open meeting law pursuant for Attorney-Client Privilege according to Minnesota Statute § 13D.05, Subd. 3(b).

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEIGH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GRASSEL, TO MOVE INTO A CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE LITIGATION. THE CLOSED SESSION IS TO BE PERFORMED ACCORDING TO THE EXCEPTION TO THE OPEN MEETING LAW PURSUANT FOR ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE ACCORDING TO MINNESOTA STATUTE § 13D.05, SUBD. 3(B).

Voting Aye: Tweten, Olstad, Leigh, Grassel, Vetter, Helms, and Buckalew.

Voting Nay: None.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER GRASSEL, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER HECHT, TO MOVE INTO A CLOSED SESSION.

Voting Aye: Wogaman, Hecht, Knoff, Larson, Shea, Grassel, and Olstad.

Voting Nay: None.

Discussion followed in closed session.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEIGH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER OLSTAD, TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION.

Voting Aye: Tweten, Olstad, Leigh, Grassel, Vetter, Helms, and Buckalew.

Voting Nay: None.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER GRASSEL, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER SHEA, TO MOVE INTO OPEN SESSION.

Voting Aye: Wogaman, Hecht, Knoff, Larson, Shea, Grassel, and Olstad.

Voting Nay: None.

Mr. Galstad summarized the closed session by stating settlement options were discussed and it was determined more information was needed. The attorney representing the City informed both the City Council and EDHA Board about their options along with legal strategy for each option.

ADJOURN:

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEIGH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TWETEN, TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 11, 2014 CLOSED SPECIAL SESSION OF THE EAST GRAND FORKS, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AND EDHA BOARD AT 7:33 P.M.

Voting Aye: Tweten, Olstad, Leigh, Grassel, Vetter, Helms, and Buckalew.

Voting Nay: None.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER GRASSEL, SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER HECHT, TO ADJOURN THE AUGUST 11, 2014 CLOSED SPECIAL SESSION OF THE EAST GRAND FORKS, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AND EDHA BOARD AT 7:33 P.M.

Voting Aye: Wogaman, Hecht, Knoff, Larson, Shea, Grassel, and Olstad.

Voting Nay: None.

David Murphy, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer