

**City of Fairmont
100 Downtown Plaza
Fairmont, MN 56031**

City Council Minutes

October 1, 2025

Special Meeting – Consider the Hiring of the Final City Administrator Candidate

City Hall, 5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The Fairmont City Council met in special session at the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Baarts called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council present: Lee Baarts, Mayor
 Wayne Hasek, Councilmember
 Britney Kaweck, Councilmember
 James Kotewa, Councilmember
 Randy Lubenow, Councilmember
 Jay Maynard, Councilmember

Absent: None

Staff present: Jeff O'Neill, Interim City Administrator
 Jaime Bleess, Police Sergeant
 Betsy Steuber, City Clerk
 Christina C. Petsoulis, Attorney, Flaherty & Hood

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

The City Council and all present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

Motion was made by Councilmember Maynard, seconded by Councilmember Lubenow to approve the agenda as presented. During discussion, Councilmember Kaweck inquired whether additional items could be added to the agenda for discussion. Legal clarified that only posted items may be acted upon; other topics may be discussed if directly related, but no action could be taken. The item regarding an Interim City Administrator was determined to be outside the scope of the meeting. Councilmembers Hasek, Kotewa, Lubenow and Maynard voted in favor; Councilmember Kaweck voted against. Motion carried.

ROTATING VOTES

Please note that votes taken by roll call are called by the City Clerk on a rotating basis; however, the written minutes list the Councilmembers in alphabetical order.

**NEW BUSINESS
Item 4A**

Interim O'Neill noted that the business identified in the meeting notice was Consideration of the Final City Administrator candidate. O'Neill reported that earlier that afternoon, a letter was received from the final candidate (Pat Oman) formally withdrawing from consideration and given

the narrow scope of the posted notice and withdrawal, there was no further business for Council to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Lubenow, seconded by Councilmember Maynard to adjourn the meeting, as there was no further business to come before the Council. All present voted in favor. Motion carried. The Fairmont City Council adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

ATTEST:


Betsy Steuber, City Clerk


Lee C. Baarts, Mayor