

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA
Work Session – August 10, 2020

Pursuant to due call and notice, a special meeting of the City Council of the City of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota, was held on Monday, August 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, Mayor Albrecht presiding via video and telephone conference.

Upon roll call, the following Councilmembers were declared present: Albrecht, Meehlhause, Johnson, Rivera, Erickson.

Staff Present: City Manager Nate Mathews, City Attorney Alan Felix, Assistant City Attorney Katie Nolting, City Clerk Michelle Miller

Mayor Albrecht stated the purpose of the meeting was to here ideas from the community about the potential for creating a civilian Police Advisory commission or committee. Albrecht clarified that the goal for this meeting is for the council to listen, rather than engage, question or challenge testimony or speakers. Additionally, no decisions will be made at this meeting. Council will consider comments received as a start to the process of creating a Police Advisory Commission.

The following individuals submitted written and/or oral testimony in regards to their position/opinion to the formation of a police advisory commission/committee:

- Amber Ahola
- James Anderson
- Erika Bailey-Johnson
- Bill Batchelder
- Maggie Baumgartner
- Selena Beasley
- Ben Cahill
- Ashley Charwood
- Richard Chernugal
- Judy David
- Charles Dolson
- Irene Folstrom
- David Frison
- Dan Gannon
- Brenda Goecke
- Don Heinonen
- John Henningsggard
- Karin Hughes
- Janelle Johnson
- Kimberly Johnson
- Daniel Jourdain
- Dan Jurek
- Renee Keezer
- Justin Keezer
- Henry Krigbaum
- Heather Labat
- Brian Larson
- Jean Skinaway-Lawrence
- Kathryn Lavelle
- Linda Lemmer
- Kitura Main
- Shannon Murray
- Our Revolution Petition
- Ernest Joseph Oppegaard-Peltier III
- Peoples Church, ELCA
- Tyler Peterson
- Les Plasschaert
- Jorge Prince
- Racial Justice in Bemidji Petition
- Anonymous Response
- Sarah Stahelin
- Yvonne Strasser
- Eugene Strowbridge
- Bill & Kathy Strycker
- Christian Taylor Johnson
- Audrey Thayer
- Jaime Thibodeaux
- Wendy Thompson
- Ted Will
- Jacob Willey

ADJOURN

There being no further business, motion by Meehlhause, seconded by Johnson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle R. Miller
City Clerk