

**THE CITY COUNCIL
GRAND FORKS, NORTH DAKOTA
25, 1996**

**PROCEEDINGS OF
OF THE CITY OF
Tuesday, June**

The city council of the city of Grand Forks, North Dakota met in its adjourned session in the council chambers in City Hall on Tuesday, June 25, 1996 at the hour of 7:30 o'clock p.m. with Mayor Polovitz presiding. Present at roll call were Council Members Beach, Hoepfner, Hamerlik, Hanson, Glassheim, Carpenter, Sande, Klave, Beyer, Babinchak, Geller, Johnson, Hagness - 13; absent: Council Member McCabe - 1.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Polovitz expressed appreciation on behalf of the City and citizens of Grand Forks and presented plaques to the retiring council members for their years of dedicated community service as members of the Grand Forks city council: James Johnson for 23 years of service as member of the city council representing Ward 7, August 1973 to June 1996; Jerome Hoepfner for 8 years of service as member of the city council representing Ward 2, April 1988 to June 1996; and Jack Geller for 4 years of service as member of the city council representing Ward 6, April 1992 to June 1996.

Council Member Hagness as past president of the city council presented plaque to Mayor Polovitz in appreciation of his years of dedicated public service on the city council and as mayor of the city from April 1988 to June 1996.

ADJOURN SINE DIE

It was moved by Council Member Sande and seconded by Council Member Hoepfner that we do now adjourn sine die. Carried 13 votes affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Schmisek
City Auditor

Approved:

Michael Polovitz, Mayor

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The city council of the city of Grand Forks, North Dakota met in its organizational session in the council chambers in the City Hall on Tuesday, June 25, 1996 at the hour of 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

**ADMINISTER OATHS OF OFFICE TO COUNCIL
MEMBERS**

Municipal Judge Lloyd Noack administered oaths of office to newly elected members of the city council for four-year terms expiring in June, 2000: Ken Polovitz, first ward; Larry S. Ellingson, second ward; Bruce M. Hanson, third ward; Douglas C. Carpenter, fourth ward; Cindy J. Beyer, fifth ward; Arthur O. Bakken, sixth ward; and Duane W. Hafner, seventh ward.

Municipal Judge Noack administered oath of office to Patricia A. Owens as mayor of the city of Grand Forks for a four-year term expiring in June, 2000.

Present at roll call were Council Members Beach, Polovitz, Ellingson, Hamerlik, Hanson, Glassheim, Carpenter, Sande, Klave, Beyer, Babinchak, Bakken, Hafner, Hagness - 14.

Mayor Owens announced that the city council would now proceed to organize.

ELECT PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Hanson nominated Council Member Hagness for president of the council, Council Member Hamerlik seconded the nomination. It was moved by Council Member Hanson and seconded by Council Member Hamerlik that nominations be closed and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Council Member Hagness. Carried 14 votes affirmative.

ELECT VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Council Member Carpenter nominated Council Member Glassheim for vice president of the council, Council Member Hamerlik seconded the nomination. It was moved by Council Member Hanson and seconded by

Council Member Hamerlik that nominations be closed and that a unanimous ballot be cast for Council Member Glassheim. Carried 14 votes affirmative.

ELECT CHAIRS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Council Member Babinchak nominated Council Member Carpenter as chairman of the finance committee, Council Member Beyer seconded the nomination. It was moved by Council Members Babinchak and Beyer that Council Member Carpenter be elected as chairman of the finance committee. Carried 14 votes affirmative.

Council Member Hanson nominated Council Member Glassheim as chairman of the public safety committee, Council Member Ellingson seconded the nomination. Council Member Babinchak nominated Council Member Sande as chairman of the public safety committee, Council Member Beyer seconded the nomination.

The council asked for vote by written ballot. Mr. Swanson, city attorney, advised that the action of this board must be public, and this is a debatable matter.

Council Member Beach stated that it might be appropriate to hear from nominees, and that he would like Council Member Glassheim to discuss how he will deal with legislative duties should he be elected. Council Member

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Glassheim stated that he is running for the State Legislature, and if elected, would be gone from January through April; that in terms of chairing committee, either schedule meetings for Saturday mornings, or vice chair would carry some of the activities if he were gone, that he would be in touch and would be back in Grand Forks and available every weekend.

The city auditor collected the written ballots and read as follows: those casting ballots in favor of Council Member Glassheim: Council Members Carpenter, Glassheim, Hanson, Hagness, Bakken, Ellingson - 6; and those casting ballots for Council Member Sande: Council Members Polovitz, Beach, Hamerlik, Hafner, Beyer, Babinchak, Klave, Sande - 8.

Council Member Glassheim moved that a unanimous ballot be cast for Council Member Sande as chairman of the public safety committee, seconded by Council Member Carpenter. Carried 14 votes affirmative.

Council Member Hamerlik nominated Council Member Hagness as chairman of the public service committee; Council Member Klave seconded the nomination. It was then moved by Council Members Hamerlik and Hagness that Council Member Hagness be elected chairman of the public service committee. Carried 14 votes affirmative.

Council Member Carpenter nominated Council Member Beach as chairman of the urban development committee; Council Member Polovitz seconded the nomination. Council Member Hagness nominated Council Member Hanson;

Council Member Bakken seconded the nomination.

Upon roll call the following voted for Council Member Beach to chair the committee: Council Members Beach, Polovitz, Hamerlik, Carpenter, Sande, Klave, Beyer, Babinchak, Hafner - 9; and the following voted for Council Member Hanson to chair the committee: Council Members Ellingson, Hanson, Glassheim, Bakken, Hagness - 5.

Council Member Hanson moved that a unanimous ballot be cast for Council Member Beach as chairman of the urban development committee, seconded by Council Member Hagness. Carried 14 votes affirmative.

APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Owens announced the appointment of Howard D. Swanson as city attorney for a two year term ending in June, 1998. It was moved by Council Members Hagness and Klave to approve the appointment. Carried 14 votes affirmative.

Council Member Hagness asked for council members to submit committee preference as chairs would like to meet with Mayor Owens to make selection by the next council meeting. Friday afternoon at 3:00 p.m. was set for selection of committees.

ADJOURN

It was moved by Council Members Hamerlik and Beyer that we do now adjourn. Carried 14 votes affirmative.

Respectfully submitted,

John M. Schmisek
City Auditor