



**Melissa and Mark Hortman
Memorial State Park
Working Group**

Wednesday, August 12, 2026
1:00 PM
Room G-23, State Capitol
<https://www.lcc.mn.gov/hmsp/>

Members Present:

Chair, Peter Fischer
Vice Chair, John Hoffman
Erik Cedarleaf Dahl
Sen. Steve Green
Jessi Held
Sen. Amanda Hemmingsen-Jaeger
Mayor Kaohly Her
Brynn Hausz

Rep. Ginny Klevorn
Sen. Andrew Lang
Bob Meier
Rep. Jim Nash
Rep. Isaac Schultz
Kent Whitworth

Meeting Minutes

Leader Stephenson called the meeting of the Melissa and Mark Hortman Memorial State Park Working Group to order at 1:00 PM.

Welcome and Introductions

Working Group members were asked to introduce themselves and their interests in the Group's work.

Overview of Working Group by Nonpartisan Staff

Austin Turman, a Research Analyst with the LCC, provided an overview of the Group's enabling legislation and the Legislative Open Meeting Law.

Discussion of Vision/Intent

Leader Stephenson shared the origin, vision, and intent behind the creation of the Working Group.

Election of the Chair and Vice Chair

Rep. Fischer was nominated to be Chair of the Working Group, and Sen. Hoffman was nominated to be Vice Chair. Rep. Fischer was elected Chair, and Sen. Hoffman was elected Vice Chair by separate voice votes.

Organizational Items

Members discussed meeting date frequency and possible future topics and presentations.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Working Group adjourned at 1:54 PM.

