

CITY OF MINNESOTA CITY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 4, 2023

Mayor Kelvin Penrod opened the Council meeting at 7:02PM. Angie Bohnstengel, Emily Conners, and Joe Pellowski were present. Newly appointed Hollis Donehower joined the council after being appointed.

A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded Emily Conners by to accept the minutes from the March 7, 2023 meeting. All voted in favor; motion passed.

Jeff Mueller, Chief Deputy Sheriff of the Winona County Sheriff's Department, attended the Council meeting to update the Council on what is happening with the Sheriff's Department. The council has asked the Sheriff's Department to assist with speed control within the city limits.

The Treasurer's Report for March was accepted on a motion made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners and approved by all; motion passed. A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Angie Bohnstengel to pay the following bills. All voted in favor; motion passed.

Xcel Energy	(Gas & Electric)	\$625.76
Xcel Energy	(WW Lift Station 149-1/2 Mill)	\$78.08
Xcel Energy	(WW Treatment Plant 149 Bridge St.)	\$512.56
Xcel Energy	(WW Lift Station 121 Lake St)	\$16.69
Xcel Energy	(Street Lights)	\$442.57
Tina Full	(Monthly Salary)	\$1,183.40
EFTPS	(FICA Employer/Employee)	\$205.57
Tina Full	(Stamps)	\$126.00
Kelvin Penrod Trucking	(Sewer Plant Daily Monitoring)	\$350.00
Kelvin Penrod Trucking	(Snow Plow City)	\$300.00
Minnesota Pollution Control Agency	(Annual Water Permit Fees)	\$505.00
Potter LLC	(Plowing & Sanding Invoice # 102)	\$1,440.00
M-R Sign Co., Inc.	(Street Sign)	\$120.88
Vision Design Group	(Website Design & Development)	\$950.00
HBC	(City Phone)	\$40.12
People Service Inc.	(WW Plant Contract)	\$1,490.00
Total Disbursements to be paid		<u>\$8,386.63</u>

A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Angie Bohnstengel to appoint Hollis Donehower as a council member to the Minnesota City Council. All voted in favor; motion passed. Hollis Donehower's term will be up on December 31, 2024.

Council discussed the possible replacement of the Fire Station garage door opener. Mayor Kelvin is checking on information and price.

A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners to accept the Contract Service Agreement for 2023 Services from Kelvin Penrod Trucking. Kelvin Penrod abstained from the vote, the rest of the council all voted in favor; motion passed.

Tim Beier, from the Minnesota City Youth Baseball Program, approached the council to request some financial assistance for the baseball program. The league could use help with many things. Some of the more pressing issues include equipment and field maintenance (mowing, new lime and rebuilding the infield). After much discussion, a motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners to donate \$1500 to the Minnesota City Youth Baseball Program. All voted in favor; motion passed.

Council discussed a possible walk through the city to see if anything needs to be done, including new street signs or replace existing signs.

Kelvin asked the council what the council would like done on a weekly / daily / monthly basis for ground maintenance. Council agreed that Kelvin Penrod Trucking should mow as needed depending upon the grass length. Sometimes that will mean once a week or less, and sometimes more than once a week. Kelvin will also continue to do brush cutting on the Garvin Brooks Bank.

Kelvin would like to get an estimate on replacing the exterior door on the city hall along with one of the exterior doors on the fire hall.

Council is going to tour the Treatment Plant at 6:00pm on May 2nd right before the City Council Meeting. Community members are welcome to join the tour.

Council discussed a possible meeting with Chelsi Wilbright from the Winona County Treasurer Office. Topics would include; voting, sewer payments, and the old school in town. Council is hoping for the meeting to take place at the June 13th council meeting.

Annexation update – Council plans to have a special meeting with the township for negotiations pertaining to the proposed annexations.

Emily updated the council on the status of the website for the City of Minnesota City.

Council discussed the issue with non-residence dumping into the compost site.

The next Council meeting will be on Tuesday, May 2, 2023 beginning at 7 PM at the City Hall. A motion was made by Emily Conners and seconded by Angie Bohnstengel to adjourn the meeting at 10:07PM. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,
Tina Full