

**CITY OF MINNESOTA CITY**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**JANUARY 3, 2023**

Mayor Kelvin Penrod opened the Council meeting at 7:00PM. Angie Bohnstengel, Emily Conners, and Joe Pellowski were present.

A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners to accept the minutes from the December 6, 2022 meeting. All voted in favor; motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report for December 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 Emily Conners to pay the following bills. All voted in favor; motion passed.

Xcel Energy	(Gas & Electric)	<b>\$347.97</b>
Xcel Energy	(WW Lift Station 149-1/2 Mill)	<b>\$76.96</b>
Xcel Energy	(WW Treatment Plant 149 Bridge St.)	<b>\$414.34</b>
Xcel Energy	(WW Lift Station 121 Lake St)	<b>\$16.81</b>
Xcel Energy	(Street Lights)	<b>\$453.09</b>
Tina Full	(Monthly Salary)	<b>\$1,183.40</b>
EFTPS	(FICA Employer/Employee)	<b>\$205.57</b>
Kelvin Penrod Trucking	(Sewer Plant Daily Monitoring)	<b>\$350.00</b>
Winona County Auditor Treasurer	(Sand / Salt - November)	<b>\$292.24</b>
Potter LLC	(Plowing & Sanding Invoice # 73 )	<b>\$960.00</b>
Potter LLC	(Plowing & Sanding Invoice # 77 )	<b>\$3,520.00</b>
City of Minnesota City	(City Hall Sewer Service - 2023)	<b>\$480.00</b>
HBC	(City Phone)	<b>\$39.86</b>
People Service Inc.	(WW Plant Contract)	<b>\$1,490.00</b>
<b>Total Disbursements to be paid</b>		<b><u>\$9,830.24</u></b>

Council discussed the open council seat and what is recommended by the League of Minnesota Cities. Joe Pellowski is going to contact the City Attorney to get his opinion on how to fill the open seat. A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners for Resolution #2023-01; Resolution to have an open Council Seat for the City of Minnesota City. All voted in favor; motion passed.

A motion was made by Emily Conners and seconded by Angie Bohnstengel to approve Hawkins Ash CPA's for the 2022 Audit. All voted in favor; motion passed.

A motion was made Joe Pellowski and seconded by Angie Bohnstengel to donate \$400.00 to the Minnesota City First Responders, \$400.00 to the Humane Society, \$400.00 to the Oakland Cemetery and \$400.00 to Minnesota City Historical Association. Motion was approved by all.

A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Angie Bohnstengel to approve the City Appointees as presented for 2023. All voted in favor; motion passed.

Council discussed the Budget for 2023. A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Angie Bohnstengel to approve the Budget for 2023. All voted in favor; motion passed.

Council discussed the possible Building Permit for 120 Bridge Street requested by Dave McCorquodale. Kelvin informed Dave he will need a utility easement for the sewer pipe which runs through a neighboring parcel. A motion was made by Angie Bohnstengel and seconded by Emily Conners to table the motion until a future date. All voted in favor; motion passed.

A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners to approve a building permit for 140 Minnesota Street. All voted in favor; motion passed.

Council again discussed the possibility of a Veterans Park as presented by Dave McCorquodale, which would be funded by Ashley Furniture. Council will continue to think about it as more information is presented.

A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners to keep the increase in the Clerk / Treasures monthly Salary to \$1300 for the month of February 2023. All voted in favor; motion passed. Council will re-evaluate the dollar amount as needed in February for March as some duties may change.

The next Council meeting will be on Tuesday, February 7, 2023 beginning at 7 PM at the City Hall. A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners to adjourn the meeting at 9:03PM. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tina Full