

CITY OF MINNESOTA CITY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

JULY 11, 2023

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

A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded Emily Conners by to accept the minutes from the June 13, 2023 meeting. All voted in favor; motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report for June was accepted on a motion made by Hollis Donehower and seconded by Angie Bohnstengel 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)	\$263.21
Xcel Energy	(WW Lift Station 149-1/2 Mill)	\$61.28
Xcel Energy	(WW Treatment Plant 149 Bridge St.)	\$377.90
Xcel Energy	(WW Lift Station 121 Lake St)	\$16.23
Xcel Energy	(Street Lights)	\$420.80
Tina Full	(Monthly Salary)	\$1,183.40
EFTPS	(FICA Employer/Employee)	\$205.57
Tina Full	(Printer Ink)	\$87.38
Kelvin Penrod Trucking	(Sewer Plant Daily Monitoring)	\$350.00
Vision Design Group	(Monthly Hosting)	\$50.00
Hawkins Ash CPA's	(2022 Audit)	\$8,300.00
HBC	(City Phone)	\$39.84
People Service Inc.	(WW Plant Contract)	\$1,490.00
Total Disbursements to be paid		\$12,845.61

Council discussed the Minnesota City Playground. Joe had sketches and sale information for playground equipment. Council would like to keep the footprint of the play area the same at (30 x 31) (currently the city has 40 x 48 but that is with extra area.) Council is looking at equipment for Middle age children instead of toddlers at this time. The equipment they are looking at has 7 activities and can hold up to 25 kids. The equipment is metal and plastic construction. Currently there is pea gravel in the park, which is the cheapest. Council also discussed rubber matting or rubber mulch. To date the council has received a donation of \$5000 from the Rollingstone Jaycees. Council needs to look into more funding. Maybe send out letters asking for donations. Council will discuss this more at the August meeting.

Springs are needed for spares for the Fire Station Doors because they are not a stocked item. A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Conners to purchase a spring for the 10 x 10 door for \$280.00 and a spring for the 12 x 12 door for \$260.00. All voted in favor; motion passed.

The Treatment Plant lift station and boxes need cleaning. Kelvin would like this done this fall. O'Laughlin could do this. A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Angie

Bohnstengel for O’Laughlin to Clean the Lift Station and Boxes. All voted in favor; motion passed.

Council is entertaining the idea that proof of cleaning the grease trap at the bar should be tied to the Liquor License approval.

The meeting for the September 5th meeting at 6:00pm with the Winona County Auditor Treasurer needs to be well publicized. The City will print up flyers and distribute them to current residents, home owners and businesses. It may be a great idea for the council to deliver as many of them as possible door to door, and mail any flyers that are not hand delivered. Agenda items for the meeting will include: Elections, sewer payments added to property taxes, and the Old School Building.

One more property has been hooked up to the City Sewer, leaving only 3 more properties to be hooked up.

The next Council meeting will be on Wednesday, August 9, 2023 beginning at 7 PM at the City Hall. A motion was made by Joe Pellowski and seconded by Emily Connors to adjourn the meeting at 8:55PM. Motion passed.

Due to the clerks absence, minutes were taken by Lori Donehower and typed and submitted by, Tina Full