**City of Minneiska**

**Council Minutes**

**January 4th, 2022**

Mayor, Mark Tibor called the Minneiska City Council Meeting to order. City Clerk, Christine Hicks; Council Members Suzie Ehlo, Mel Heaser, Mike Konkel, and John Mercier were in attendance. Tyler Kistner, Bob and Laura Swartout were also in attendance.

Christine read the minutes from the December meeting. Mike motioned to approve the minutes; John seconded. All Approved.

Suzie gave the Treasurer’s report in Ken’s absence and presented the bills. The city net worth is $73, 908.80. Mike motioned to approve the Treasurer’s report and pay all bills. Mel seconded. All Approved.

Ordinances and Resolutions – None Discussed.

Old Business:

Suzie noted that the 2022 Budget has been approved by the state auditor.

Flags ordered by prior city clerk Shelly have been received and flags needing to be replaced have been.

Mark indicated there has still been no word from the city attorney.

Pole for the light on the wood Minneiska sign is up.

New Business:

Christine shared documents received from Xcel regarding proposed 5 year plan to increase electric rates. Members asked to have documents scanned and email to them.

Mike and Mark will take down Christmas decorations this weekend

Mark talked with Dean Stromness about making sure there was enough sand put down on the hills for ice and Suzie asked for refill of sand tub on Taylor Hill.

Republic Candidate for Congress District 2, Tyler Kistner was present to meet with local city level councils and discuss his plans for if he is elected. He addressed the concerns of rising inflation and imbalance of power in the US Government. Mark brought up the concerns and difficulties small towns have in getting funding from the State for repaving streets and other infrastructure updates. Mark and several council members brought up the difficulties the council has been having working with the DNR on the boat launch. This project has been in the works for 20 plus years and still no real progress. Boat Launch is currently none functioning which causes huge concerns for river access in case of emergencies. Tyler encouraged Mark to reach out to him regarding the funding and boat launch issues and he will try to help.

Mel motioned the meeting be adjourned: Suzie seconded. All Approved the was meeting adjourned.

Recorded by Christine L Hicks, City Clerk