**City of Minneiska**

 **Council Minutes**

**March 4, 2019**

Mayor, Mark Tibor called the Minneiska City Council Meeting to order. Council members present included Suzie Ehlo, Marilyn (Mel) Heaser, Amy Konkel, and Mike Konkel. Treasurer, Ken Heaser and City Clerk, Rachelle (Shelly) Splittstoesser were also present.

Minutes from the January 7th meeting were read. Mel motioned the minutes be approved and Mike seconded.  All approved.

The treasurer's report was read, and the bills were presented. Ken noted that several state audit reports have been submitted and approved. The City net worth is $98,866.52. Mel motioned the treasurer's report be approved and all bills be paid. Suzie seconded.  All approved.

**Old Business**

Mark called for a brief discussion and review of the HBC franchise fee. Cable is the only service that the city collects franchise fees for.

A response from the DNR regarding the boat landing following the January meeting and location of the missing permit is still pending. Suzie suggested a council or community member accompany DNR staff when the next data collection is done after the water is open. Mark will follow up with Winona County Commissioner, Steve Jacobs and others.

All signature cards have been updated at the bank for City Clerk, Mayor and Treasurer.

Suzie provided information from the city attorney regarding establishment of a local lodging tax. Mark and Mike will meet to review the documentation.

Shelly provided information from a flag pole vendor. Due to ongoing issues with the current flag pole council members agreed that a replacement should be considered.

**New Business**

Mike shared information from the annual City of Rollingstone Fire Board meeting he attended. The 2019 contract was presented for review. Mike motioned to approve the contract and Mel seconded. All approved. The contract was signed.

The Altura Ambulance contract was presented for review. Mel motioned to approve the contract and Amy seconded. All approved. The contract was signed.

The Swiggum Services contract for city street sweeping was presented. This has been done prior to Flood Run in April in the past. Mike noted concern regarding that timing due to record snow fall amounts. A date for street sweeping will be determined at the April City Council meeting.

Shelly noted that the Open Book Boards of Appeal and Equalization meetings have been set. The Wabasha County meeting will be held from 9:00am-12:00pm on Monday, April 8 in the Wabasha County Courthouse at 625 Jefferson Avenue in Wabasha. The Winona County meeting will be

held from 1:00-4:00pm on Monday, April 15 in the Winona County Assessor’s Office in the Winona County Government Center at 177 Main Street in Winona. Notices regarding meetings will be published and posted on the city website, Nextdoor site and at both bars.

Mark stated that Wabasha County completed bridge inspections in January. A list of recommended maintenance was provided for the Greenwood Avenue Road bridge. Mark will continue to follow up with the County Engineer. Plans related to the bridge will be discussed at the April meeting.

Mike motioned that the meeting be adjourned, and Suzie seconded. All approved and the meeting was adjourned.

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Rachelle G. Splittstoesser, City Clerk