

MINUTES OF THE MINNEOTA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PURSUANT TO CALL AND DUE NOTICE THEREOF, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MINNEOTA, COUNTY OF LYON, STATE OF MINNESOTA, MET IN REGULAR SESSION IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 09, 2024, AT 6:30 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor John Rolbiecki
Council Member Travis Gillund,
Council Member Nancy Reisdorfer
Council Member Tim Koppien
Council Member Amber Rodas

STAFF PRESENT: Robert Vidoloff

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Swoboda, Matt Boettger, Chesney Guetter, Dick and Dianne Menken, Austin Thompson, Riley Rinehart, Scott Monson, John Engels, Steven Louwagie

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rolbiecki called the regular monthly meeting to order @ 6:30 PM.

ITEM 2: CALL FOR AGENDA ADDITIONS

The City Administrator asked that the PFA Loan documents for Clean Water and Drinking Water be added.

ITEM 3: ADOPT AGENDA

Gillund motioned, seconded by Rodas to adopt the agenda with the addition as listed above.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 4: MEETING MINUTES

The Council reviewed the prior month Council meeting minutes. Reisdorfer motioned, seconded by Rodas to approve the October Council meeting minutes.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 5: REPORTS & UPDATES

The Council reviewed the following reports: (5a) – Police report; (5b) - Financial Report; (5c) – Y-T-D Budget (5d) – Administrator Report.

ITEM 6: EXPENSES & DISBURSEMENTS

Koppien motioned, seconded by Reisdorfer, to approve the payment the check register and payroll register.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ITEM 7: CONCERNED CITIZENS

Lyon County Sheriff Deputy, Steven Louwagie answered questions and presented options for Law Enforcement Coverage to the City. He emphasized that Sheriff's department can enforce City Ordinances such as dog at large or stray cat problems. He also emphasized the Department can learn from the City Ordinance books and enforce parking violations, snow removal violations, and is ready to support School events and Bug Days. He also shared that if the Sheriff's department is chosen to provide Law Enforcement coverage, that the Sheriff's department would need to hire additional deputies, and that process takes a few months to execute.

Additionally, Scott Monson, Minneota School Superintendent expressed that having a School Resource Officer has been a welcome addition and valuable resource to the school, teachers and staff. Finally, Mrs Dianne and Dick Menken had questions for the County Property Assessor on the methodology of the increase in their property tax which they estimated to have increased by over 25% in the last year. The county assessor's contact information was provided to the Menkens.

ITEM 8: RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL

Rodas motioned and Reisdorfer seconded signing the Cannabis Ordinance that would place the City under the jurisdiction of the County for cannabis licenses. This is the most restrictive option available to the City.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Rodas motioned and Reisdorfer approved City support to compete for federal grant funds to purchase 2x electric Ford F-150 pickup trucks. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Reisdorfer motioned and Rodas approved to hire a new Chief of Police position utilizing Employment Plus to facilitate the recruitment and advertising. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEM 9: 2025 BUDGET APPROVAL

Koppien motioned, seconded by Reisdorfer to approve the 2025 budget. Final tax levy would put the 2025 budget at 5.68%. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEM 10: APPROVE BUILDING PERMITS, LIQUOR LICENSES, DONATION, LYON STREET PAYMENT, CLEAN WATER AND DRINKING WATER LOANS

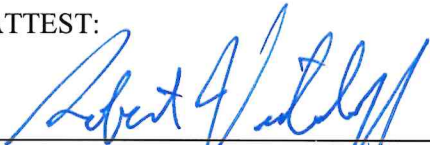
Gillund motioned and Rodas seconded approval for the building permits of Esping and the Public School. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Gillund motioned and Rodas seconded to approve the liquor licenses of Highway 68 Liquor, City Hall Bar and Grill and American Legion for 2025. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Gillund motioned and Reisdorfer seconded to accept an Fire Fund donation. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Rodas motioned and Reisdorfer seconded to approve Lyon Street project payments. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Rodas motioned and Reisdorfer seconded to approve the Election documents. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. Rodas motioned and Reisdorfer seconded to approve the Lyon Street clean water and drinking water documents. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEM 11: ADJOURNMENT

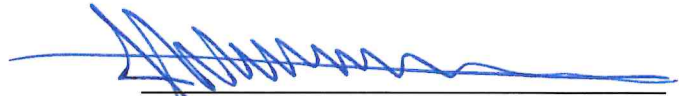
Rodas motioned, seconded by Reisdorfer to adjourn the meeting. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

The next regular Council Meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2025 @ 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST:



Robert Vidoloff, City Administrator



John Rolbiecki, Mayor

Council approved January 13, 2025