

Unofficial & condensed minutes of a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Minto, Walsh County, North Dakota, held on March 13, 2023, at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Jamieson called the meeting to order, and the pledge was recited. Present were Councilmen Kelley, Miskavige & Shutt (via phone). Councilman Narloch was absent.

Ed Sevigny, the city assessor, appeared before the council to discuss the process for an exemption for improvements to residential properties. M-Kelley, S-Miskavige and carried, council voted to require a resident to obtain a building permit and an exemption application to qualify for the residential tax exemption. Also, the improvements must increase the assessed value of the existing building by at least \$5,000.00.

Minutes from the regular meeting held on February 13, 2023, were submitted for approval. M-Shutt to approve the minutes, S-Miskavige, carried.

Committee reports were given:

- Streets, Utilities & Lights- The Walsh Rural Water usage rate increased by 25%. M-Miskavige, S-Kelley and carried, council approved a 20% usage increase for City of Minto customers. The new rate to \$8.20/1000 gallons for residential and commercial customers. The water tower rate will increase to \$7.80/1000 gallons. M-Miskavige, S-Kelley and carried, the council approved the purchase of new mosquito spray application software. M-Kelley, S-Miskavige and carried, the council approved the bid for new concrete to be laid at the alley driveway by Sacred Heart Church.
- Employee Relations-M-Mr. Kelley, S-Miskavige and carried, the council voted to enroll the city in the BC/BS BlueCare Gold 80 policy. M-Miskavige, S-Shutt and carried, the council voted to revise the city retirement plan to 4% employee contribution and 3% city contribution with a 8.26% match.

M-Kelley to approve claims and financials, S-Miskavige; carried. Financials and the following claims were approved:

ADOBE 33.98, AE2S 232.50, AMAZON 163.39, ANGELA SHUTT 9.84, ARAMARK 31.92, BRADY MARTZ 625.00, BUILDING SYSTEMS OF ND 700.00, CONNECTING POINT 69.50, EVERSFRING INN & SUITES 172.80, EXXONMOBIL 65.93, GF UTILITY BILLING 26.00, MARCO 87.77, MIDCO 280.27, MINTO COMMUNITY CENTER 750.00, MINTO PARK BOARD 1049.95, MINTO POST OFFICE 104.16, MORGAN PRINTING 109.14, NARLOCH TRUCKING 2540.00, NORTHDALE OIL 2185.86, OTTER TAIL 1934.53, PAT PASCHKE 100.00, PATRICE KOBLE 25.00, PAYROLL 12344.46, QUILL 55.44, REFUSE DISPOSAL SERVICE 4958.00, STAMPEDE CONCRETE 2170.00, SUPER PUMPER 67.39, WALSH COUNTY TREASURER 924.00, WALSH RURAL WATER DISTRICT 13115.57

M-Kelley, S-Shutt and carried, Resolution 2023-004 was passed. Resolution 2023-004 is a flood/disaster declaration.

M-Miskavige, S-Kelley and carried, Resolution 2023-005 was passed. Resolution 2023-005 gives the ND Dept. of Environmental Quality permission to assist Mr. Paschke in performing a lead service line inventory.

M-Shutt, S-Miskavige and carried, the council voted to start charging the park for water usage.

M-Shutt, S-Miskavige and carried, the council voted to purchase a Bobcat L85 Compact Wheel Loader from Ironhide in Grand Forks at a cost of \$38,500.00 if it meets Mr. Paschke's needs.

There being no further business, M-Kelley, S-Miskavige, and carried, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36 PM. The next regular meeting will take place Monday, April 10, 2023, at 7:00 AM.

Larry Jamieson
Mayor

Attest: Angela Shutt
Auditor

