The governing body of the City of Seneca met in regular session January 5, 2022 at 7:30 p.m., in the council room, located at 531 Main Street, Seneca, Kansas. Present were Mayor Joe Mitchell and council members Jim Mitchell, Ray Shinn, Alice Lackey, Lukas Koch, Mike Stallbaumer and Steve Bennett. Also present were Tami Haverkamp, Martin Mishler, Matt Diehl, and Robert Wolfgang.

City Clerk Michele Spring swore in Mayor Joe Mitchell. Mayor Joe Mitchell swore in council members Lukas Koch, City Council member of the 1st Ward, Alice Lackey, City Council member of the 2nd Ward, and Jim Mitchell, City Council member of the 3rd Ward.

Ray Shinn made a motion to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on December 16, 2021. The motion was seconded by Alice Lackey. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Jim Mitchell made a motion to approve Appropriation Ordinance Number 1413. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Ray Shinn made a motion to approve the request from the local Driver License Office for an exception to the truck route January 10-13, 2022. Mary Schmitz requested trucks be allowed to travel south on 8th Street, beginning at Hwy 36, stopping at the Pioneer Building office, and continuing to Main Street. Once on Main Street trucks would turn north on 6th Street and be back on the normal truck route streets. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Ray Shinn made a motion to approve an \$1.00 per hour pay increase for all hourly city employees to start on the payroll being paid on January 14, 2022. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Joe Mitchell and Tami Haverkamp reported updates for the Resurfacing Main Street from 7th to 11th project and the Electrical Distribution System Improvements project that will run in the alley south of Main from 3rd to 11th.

Ray Shinn presented the sales tax collected in December 2021 was \$108,614.78.

At 8:05 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion to go into executive session for personnel reasons to include the governing body and Tami until 8:20 p.m. with no action to be taken. The motion was seconded by Mike Stallbaumer. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:20 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion for executive session for personnel reasons to include the governing body only until 8:35 p.m. The motion was seconded by Ray Shinn. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:35 p.m., Jim Mitchell made a motion for executive session for personnel reasons to include the governing body and Tami until 8:50 p.m. The motion was seconded by Steve Bennett. All voted yes. Motion carried.

At 8:50 p.m., the governing body reconvened in open session. No action was taken.

Alice Lackey made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jim Mitchell. All voted yes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Michele Spring City Clerk