

CITY OF PIERZ  
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council  
February 26, 2007

Members Present: Toby Egan, Herb Broschofsky , Stephanie Fyten, Roland Hartmann, Kathy Kahlhamer, and Maureen Watercott.

-Meeting was called to order by Mayor Toby Egan at 7:00 p.m. at Pierz City Hall.

-Motion made by Councilmember Broschofsky, seconded by Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2007 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

-Motion made by Councilmember Broschofsky, seconded by Councilmember Hartmann to approve tonight's Agenda with the approval of a Habitat for Humanity building permit being delayed until a further meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**New Business:**

-Cost-Split options, New Vehicle, Pierz Fire Department

Reiny Hanneken was present to represent the townships' interest in the topic of the department purchasing a new vehicle. Several firefighters were present as well while Mike Lucking, Assistant Chief, presented the vehicle cost figures to the Council. Mike reported that this vehicle would be capable of safely transporting a sufficient amount of firefighters to and from fire and other emergency scenes, and that the current vehicle the department uses for this is aging and is no longer reliable. The cost of the vehicle is approximately \$79,000.00. Reiny stated that the townships are prepared to finance 65% of the overall cost. The Council and the township representative both stated during discussion that this is a smart purchase, and upon no further discussion a motion was made by Councilmember Hartmann, seconded by Councilmember Broschofsky to approve that the department purchase the vehicle, and that the City finance no more than 1/3 of the overall cost of the vehicle. Motion carried unanimously.

**Planning & Zoning:**

-Building Permit, Re-roofing, 400 4<sup>th</sup> Street S.W.

Motion made by Councilmember Broschofsky, seconded by Councilmember Hartmann to approve the re-roofing permit. Motion carried unanimously.

**Other Business:**

-Resolution 022607

Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk introduced this resolution and moved for its adoption, which would allow for Part-Time Police Officer Dan Rocheleau to participate in the City's Police and Fire Department retirement plan which carries an 11.7% employer contribution on all gross wages. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hartmann. Motion carried unanimously.

-Pierz Solid Waste Clean-Up Day

The City Administrator reported that the grant application for Pierz's Clean-Up day has been prepared and is ready to be signed. He also stated that the funds are usually used for advertising mostly, but can be used for anything associated with clean-up day. The Council reported that the clean-up day is always the Saturday during Pierz Garage Sale Days, and that Saturday April 28<sup>th</sup> is when it should take place. No action taken.

-Clubhouse Manager Update

The City Administrator reported that he met with new Clubhouse Manager Tony Andres last Friday to go over accounting requirements, and that a one-year contract will be drafted and presented to Tony this week to sign. No action taken.

-Solid Waste and Drive-By Fee Exemption

The City Administrator explained that customers are inquiring about getting the drive-by fees lifted during extended times when their residence is unoccupied. As this is the second time it has arrived at the Council table, it was decided that no action will be taken at this time that would allow for such an exemption. No action taken.

-Set first Meeting Date, Pierz Park Board

A motion was made by Councilmember Broschofsky, seconded by Councilmember Hartmann to set the first meeting for March 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

**Department Reports:**

**Parks:** Daniel Baert was present to discuss the following issues with the Council.

-Daniel will begin working again at the park complex full-time as of March 5.

**Public Works:** Bob Otremba was present to discuss the following issues with the Council.

-Bob reported that while searching for a vehicle, he found a 2007 Ford F-150 for \$16, 772, 50. Bob further explained that the City has approximately \$21,000 set aside for a new public works truck. A motion was made by Councilmember Broschofsky, seconded by Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk to purchase the Ford. Motion carried unanimously.

**Administration:** Mike DeRosia was present to discuss the following issues with the Council.

-Jessica Fischer, the City Hall's community development and administrative intern, was offered a position with the City of Minneapolis' Department of Environmental Services. She accepted the position and submitted a letter to the Council thanking them for the opportunity to serve the City. Her last day of work in Pierz will be Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>.

-Mike explained that all city hall computers are in dire need of an anti-virus program upgrade. The purchase of a new program for 4 computers is necessary and the money will come out of Mike's budget with a small portion coming out of the police budget.

-Mike reported that Chad Trebilcock of Wisconsin Energy Conservation Corporation will be present at the March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Chad will be available to answer questions from the Council and explain what services his company provides to the City.

**Correspondence:**

-The school's summer youth program submitted its annual report to the Council. A motion was made by Councilmember Hartmann, seconded by Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk to donate \$2,000.00 to the Summer youth program. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk, seconded by Councilmember Hartmann to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

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Toby Egan, Mayor, City of Pierz

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Kathy Kahlhamer, Clerk, City of Pierz