

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
January 10 2011

Members present: Toby Egan, Adrian Welle, Stephanie Fyten, Rollie Hartmann, Michael Menden, and Maureen Watercott.

The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Pierz City Hall by Mayor Toby Egan.

Motion made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Rollie Hartmann to accept the minutes from the December 27 2010 Regular Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council Member Rollie Hartmann and seconded by Council Member Adrian Welle to approve the agenda with the additions of the ordinances update and the Animal Humane Society contract. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Toby Egan presented Council Member Rollie Hartmann with Proclamation 011011-2 Thanking Rollie Hartmann for his many years of service to the City of Pierz. Rollie Hartmann's Council term ended on the 31st of December 2010.

Mayor Toby Egan, Council Member Stephanie Fyten, Council Member Michael Menden, and Treasurer Maureen Watercott took the Oath of Office for their respective positions. They were sworn in by City Administrator Anna Gruber.

A recap was given of the public hearing held at 6:30 pm regarding a special assessment at 14343 Hwy 25 in Pierz for Gotvald Enterprises. Gotvald's have not paid their storm water utility fee in the amount of \$1141.67 and have been given 2 notices, as well as notice of the public hearing and intention to assess the fee. No one was present to attest the fee. Motion was made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Michael Menden to approve resolution 011011-1 assessing the storm water utility fee on the Gotvald property taxes. Motion carried Unanimously.

Police Chief Paul Tschida reported that the original plan to purchase a new squad car in spring of 2011 would not be necessary as the squad car is in good condition. He recommended waiting until later in the year to make a decision. He also requested to start collecting quotes for a new squad camera in the current squad car if he is going to keep the squad car, he would like an updated camera. The Council agreed and told him to bring quotes to the next meeting.

Motion made by Council Member Adrian Welle and seconded by Council Member Steph Fyten to approve the 2011 Annual Appointments with the changes made. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council Member Steph Fyten and seconded by Council member Michael Menden to approve resolution 011011-3 approving the 2011 Fee Schedule. Motion carried unanimously.

An update was given regarding the Sister City partnership with Kyllburg, Germany. The City of Pierz is in the beginning stages of creating a partnership with Kyllburg and City Administrator Anna Gruber hopes to send a greeting/welcome package to the Parliament of Kyllburg within the next few weeks that would include history and unique items from Pierz. Ideas were welcomed from the Council and public.

Discussion was made in regards to potentially having cross country trails groomed at the Golf Course. The Council decided that if anyone wanted to use the golf course for their own trails they could this winter, and

that the City would look in to grooming our own next winter. Gruber will do further research and will talk with Parks Superintendent Daniel Baert regarding this idea.

Motion was made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and Seconded by Council Member Michael Menden to approve the Late Payment Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Council Member Michael Menden and seconded by Council Member Stephanie Fyten to approve spending \$250 on ventilation in the freezer room of the senior center. Ayes- Stephanie Fyten, Michael Menden, Toby Egan. Nays – Adrian Welle. Motion carried 3-1.

Council members were informed that the updated ordinances were ready for review before the public hearing on the 24th and would be located in City Administrator Anna Gruber's office.

Motion made by Mayor Toby Egan and seconded by Council member Michael Menden to approve the 2011 contract with the Morrison County Animal Humane Society. Motion carried unanimously.

Bob Otremba informed the Council that the electric was completed at Roach Development. He also informed them that 2011 pole inspections would be taking place and there may be some projects that come out of these inspections. He also informed the Council that the County would like a report of all the retro-reflective signs needed in the City so one order could be placed for the whole County. Bob said he would begin working on the report.

Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer, Maureen Watercott. The December 31, 2010 bank statement balance was \$510,318.12. Motion made by Council Member Adrian Welle and seconded by Council Member Michael Menden to accept the report. Motion carried unanimously.

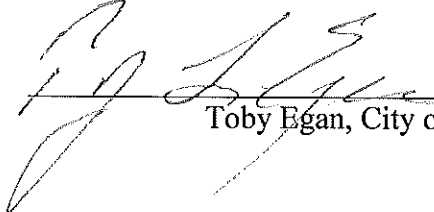
Motion made by Mayor Toby Egan and seconded by Council member Stephanie Fyten to keep CD's in current locations and to renew. Motion carried unanimously.

City bills were reviewed. Motion made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council member Michael Menden to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$51,675.53. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council member Adrian Welle to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.


Mary Korf, Clerk, City of Pierz


Toby Egan, City of Pierz Mayor