

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
February 8 2010

Members present: Mary Korf, Adrian Welle, Stephanie Fyten, Rollie Hartmann and Maureen Watercott.

The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm at Pierz City Hall by Acting Mayor Stephanie Fyten.

Motion made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council Member Adrian Welle to accept the minutes from the January 25 2010 Regular Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council Member Adrian Welle and seconded by Council member Rollie Hartmann to accept the minutes from the January 25 2010 Informational Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council Member Adrian Welle and seconded by City Clerk Mary Korf to accept the minutes of the February 3 2010 Closed meeting with the applicable changes. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council member Adrian Welle to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief Paul Tschida reported he had met with Deb Meyer-Myrum to discuss a substitute D.A.R.E. program within the schools. He also met with the Pierz Area Coalition to confirm their involvement and to discuss funding options.

Motion made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council Member Adrian Welle to approve the Manufactured Home Policy Ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

City Administrator Anna Gruber notified the Council that no bids were received for the Peter Avenue lot. The Council decided to not pursue selling the lot until someone was more seriously interested.

Motion made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council member Rollie Hartmann to approve the Grant Agreement for the Polling Place Grant. Motion carried unanimously.

City Administrator Anna Gruber presented the Community Growth Institute request for the Network Community Program. This involves membership to the institute to provide specialized services to the City, such as zoning assistance, ordinances, comprehensive planning, and land-use assistance. The cost of the service is \$200 a month for unlimited services. The Council decided to not pursue the program at this point due to lack of funds and contracts that were already established with our Engineer and Attorney.

Motion was made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council member Adrian Welle to table the bid notice for the FEMA trailer until dates can be established. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was made in regards to the closed meeting held on February 3 2010 in changing positions to seasonal. The Council discussed that there is not enough time to make the changes yet this year, but that the Park Board will continue to look at options for trimming costs at the golf course. Motion made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council member Adrian Welle to approve the keeping all positions at the Golf Course as is for the year 2010. Ayes – Mary Korf, Stephanie Fyten, Adrian Welle. Nays – Rollie Hartmann.

Discussion was made in regards to the financing for the highway 25 project. City Administrator Anna Gruber recapped a meeting held with financial advisor David Drown in which he suggested we used funds in our investments and electric fund to pay for the project instead of bonding due to the differences in interest rates. No decision was necessary at the time, but the Council was informed for future decisions.

Bob Otremba informed the Council that we will need a reflective street sign plan in place by 2012 and will need to replace all signs by 2015 with new reflective signs.

Daniel Baert reported that he will be cutting dead trees down and because he has enough fire wood for the campground, he will be selling the logs to a saw mill.

Brian Boser and Jeff Fuhrman reported that a Fireman had requested a 6 month leave of absence from the department. Motion was made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council member Rollie Hartmann to accept the leave of absence. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Boser and Jeff Fuhrman asked for the annual city contribution to the retirement plan in the amount of \$6500. Motion was made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council Member Adrian Welle to approve the contribution. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Boser and Jeff Fuhrman presented a change in the bylaws regarding deferred interest. Motion was made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council Member Rollie Hartmann to approve the change in bylaws. Motion carried unanimously.

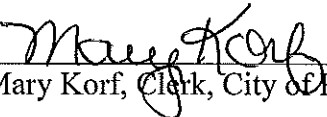
Brian Boser and Jeff Fuhrman presented a change in the bylaws regarding a decrease in the retirement amount. Motion was made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council member Adrian Welle to approve the change in bylaws. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer, Maureen Watercott. The January 31, 2009 bank statement balance was \$336,043.10. Motion made by Council Member Adrian Welle and seconded by City Clerk Mary Korf to accept the report. Motion carried unanimously.

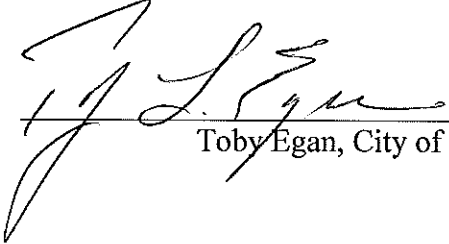
City bills were reviewed. Motion made by Council Member Adrian Welle and seconded by City Clerk Mary Korf to approve payment of bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by City Clerk Mary Korf and seconded by Council member Adrian Welle to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.



Mary Korf, Clerk, City of Pierz



Toby Egan, City of Pierz Mayor