

CITY OF PIERZ  
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council  
August 27, 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 Councilmember Fyten to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2007 meeting with a needed correction. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk, seconded by Councilmember Broschofsky to approve tonight's Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**Recognition of Visitors:**

The Pierz Area Coalition had several of its members present to give the Council an update of their involvement in the community and to also extend the invitation to all who are interested in joining.

**Planning and Zoning:**

-Meeting Summary

(No meeting was held).

**-Building Permit Fee Discussion**

Upon three members of the Planning and Zoning Board appearing before the Council expressing frustration with the building permit fees, the City Council discussed the permit charges and some possibilities that would help keep costs reasonable. The recent storm damaged the exteriors of homes severely, and the Building Official recommended that we begin using the state-mandated two inspection procedure on roofs and siding. This would increase permit costs, but would also ensure that quality work is being done to the houses that need it. The Building Official was contacted by phone during this meeting, and he claims that he will not charge any more than \$70.00 per job site in inspection fees, regardless of the number of inspections conducted. He currently charges \$35.00/inspection, and many houses will require 4 or more inspections. The Council deemed that a generous measure taken by the Building Official, and directed staff to proceed under those conditions. No action taken.

**Items of Business:**

**- Resolution 082707, Approve Admission into PERA, Jamie Luberts**

Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk introduced the resolution and Councilmember Broschofsky moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk and upon no discussion being made the motion was carried unanimously.

**-Resolution 082707-01, Approve Lawful Gambling Activity, Pierz Firefighter's Relief Association**

Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk introduced the resolution and Councilmember Broschofsky moved for its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Hartmann, and upon no discussion being made, the motion was carried unanimously.

**Department Reports:**

**Police:** Steve Boser was present to discuss the following issues with the Council.

-Steve spoke in favor of the proposed ordinance that the Pierz Area Coalition was lobbying for, which held parents more accountable for underage drinking that occurs on their property.

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

- Daniel reported that Rey Zimney and the track team helped clean up at the park after Oktoberfest.

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

- Mike reminded the Council of the budget meeting set for 6:30pm September 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer:**

- Maureen Watercott notified the Council of a Certificate of Deposit that will be due soon. She is seeking approval to re-new the CD with F&M, with the City receiving the same rate and no other banks could match. The Council directed Maureen to re-new with F&M.

Motion made by Mayor Egan, seconded by Kathy Kahlhamer, City Clerk to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

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Toby Egan, Mayor, City of Pierz

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Kathy Kahlhamer, Clerk, City of Pierz