

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
March 27, 2006

Members Present: Mike Menden, Mary Gritzmacher, Daniel Sauer and Maureen Watercott.

Others Attending: Daniel Baert, Robert Otremba, Crystal Trutnau, Ryan Monroe, Terry Lehrke, Jill Poepping, Barb Rebeschke, David Drown, Mike Lucking, Toby Egan, Mary Backlund and Denis Stachowski.

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Mike Menden at 7:00 p.m. at Pierz City Hall.

Motion by Gritzmacher, second by Sauer to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2006 meeting with the corrected Treasurer's numbers. CU

Motion by Menden, second by Gritzmacher to approve the Agenda with the addition of the Fire Department under department reports. CU

Planning & Zoning:

Other Business:

1. Mary Backlund presented the City with the Audit Report. More oversight was recommended between the clubhouse manager's receipts and the City.
2. Barb Rebeschke was present with David Drown to discuss the City's aid via TIF financing for Horizon Health's upcoming project. It will be set up as a two part district in order to comply with Minnesota statutes. To potentially be set up as a 15 year TIF of approximately \$300,000. Motion by Menden, second by Sauer to approve David Drown's setting up of preliminary TIF documentation. CU
3. Motion by Sauer, second by Gritzmacher to approve Resolution number 032706 for Police PERA for Daniel Eastvold. CU

Department Reports:

Fire Department: Toby Egan and Mike Lucking were present to discuss the following issues with the Council.

1. Egan presented the updated amendments to the Fire Department Policy and Procedure manual. The only concerns that arose were concerning the Treasurer's position and the number of years between application submission if one is turned down for failing criminal background checks. Motion by Gritzmacher, second by Sauer to approve the updates contingent on approval from the City Attorney. CU

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

1. Will be reposting ad for Assistant Superintendent in the Morrison County Record.
2. Motion by Menden, second by Gritzmacher to set interviews for April 12, 2006 at 5:30 pm and to set up the interview board as Gritzmacher, Sauer, Baert and Otremba and give them authority to hire the individual they see fit. CU
3. Motion by Menden, second by Gritzmacher to approve Lois Meyer as the new cleaning contractor for the Golf Course.

Community Development: Crystal Trutnau was present to discuss the following issues with the Council.

1. Updated the Council on the number of website hits.
2. Requested \$217.24 for purchase of Microsoft Publisher to be used for City Newsletter.

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

1. Updated Council on liquor license for Bootlegger's Bar.
2. Will be demolishing noncompliant tree house on Thursday morning.

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

1. Ditch mower will require approximately \$4,500 for repairs. New mowers are between \$7,000 and \$8,000. Otremba will retrieve bids for a replacement mower, rather than fixing the old one.
2. Second Avenue NE repairs might be supplemented from the State of Minnesota because much of the water run-off comes from the State Highway.
3. Motion by Menden, second by Sauer to approve Braun Intertec doing soil borings for the upcoming storm water project.

Administration: Ryan Monroe was present to discuss the following issues with the Council.

1. Initial and secondary offers to Lori Grams were turned down either by Grams or the City. Motion by Menden, second by Sauer to offer the Administrator's job to Michael DeRosia for \$37,500 plus benefits. CU
2. Motion by Menden, second by Sauer to authorize Monroe to contract with North American Bancard for accepting Credit Cards at the Clubhouse. CU

Updates:

Correspondence:

1. Letter from Senator Paul Koering regarding State Highway 25.
2. Letter from Dorothy Baron regarding City Lot on Peter Avenue.

Motion by Menden, second by Sauer to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm. CU

Meeting was reconvened at 8:21 pm

Motion by Menden, second by Gritzmacher to approve the Fire Agreement between the City of Pierz and the Pierz Rural Area Fire Protection Association, Inc. CU

Motion by Menden, second by Gritzmacher to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 pm. CU

Mike Menden, Mayor, City of Pierz

Kathy Kahlhamer, Clerk, City of Pierz