

**CITY OF PIERZ**  
**Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council**  
**February 27, 2017**

**Members Present:** Toby Egan, Mike Menden, Stephanie Fyten, Linda Sczublewski and Kyle Bednar.

**Members Absent:** Dave Fischer

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

**APPROVAL OF PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Stephanie Fyten to accept the minutes from the February 13, 2017 Public Hearing Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Kyle Bednar to accept the minutes from the February 13, 2017 Regular City Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to accept the agenda as presented with the addition of Planning and Zoning, an Exempt Permit Application for Patrick's Bar-N-Grill and the removal of Harding Sportsman's Club. Motion carried unanimously.

**PLANNING AND ZONING:**

A motion was made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Kyle Bednar to approve the following building permit applications:

Keith Thielen	New Dwelling	Cody Court Lot # 6
Shawn Janson	Deck Permit	509 Park Ave Se

With the recommendation of Planning and Zoning, motion carried unanimously.

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 484:**

A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Kyle Bednar to approve a donation in the amount of \$2,000.00 to the Pierz Community Education Program, Motion carried unanimously.

**2017 FREEDOM FEST:**

A motion was made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Kyle Bednar to approve a donation in the amount of \$500.00 to the Pierz Commercial Club for Freedom Fest. Motion carried unanimously.

Lloyd Boeder, Pierz Commercial Club Member and Freedom Fest Committee Member gave the Council an update on the 2017 Freedom Fest event. Boeder stated this is the fifth year of Freedom Fest.

**PIERZ LION'S:**

A motion was made by Council Member Kyle Bednar and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to approve an application for off-site gambling located at Pierz Park Golf Course, 603 Park Ave SE, August 27, 2017 for Oktoberfest. Motion carried unanimously.

**PIERZ YOUTH BASEBALL CLUB, INC.:**

A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and Council Member Stephanie Fyten to approve an Exempt Permit to conduct a raffle at Patrick's Bar-N-Grill, February 10, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

**HORIZON HEALTH:**

A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Kyle Bednar to table approval of a donation to Horizon Health for further research until the next meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**FESTLER LAND SURVEY:**

City Administrator Nicole Nordlund discussed with the Council the land survey for the property located at Parcel ID #42.0085.109 and payment of the invoice in the amount of \$3,126.25. Nordlund stated per the Agreement with the property owners, an invoice was sent for half of the land survey plus the extra boundary adjustment wanted per property owner request.

**ADMINISTRATOR SIX MONTH REVIEW:**

A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Stephanie Fyten to approve an 8% (\$1.84) pay increase per the recommendation of the Admin Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL WORKSHOP:**

A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Kyle Bednar to approve a workshop meeting March 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

**PIERZ SCHOOLS REFERENDUM:**

George Weber, Pierz Superintendent presented to the Council the proposed referendum plans. Weber stated the school is becoming too small to host all of the students and it is in need of more classrooms and a band room. If the project moves forward it would be roughly a two year and approximately 18 million dollar project. Voting will be held Monday, May 22, 2017 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Voting will be held at City Hall and the surrounding community locations that are designated Election hosts.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

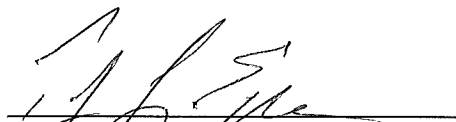
**ADMINISTRATION:**


Nicole Nordlund, City Administrator updated the Council on the various projects city staff are working on. The City has not received any applications for the Golf Course. Nordlund stated the city has now posted on the League of MN Cities website, the high school and the library.

The City applied for a Transportation Alternative Solicitation Funding for the Pierz Loop Trail project for Segment 2. Nordlund presented February 15, 2017 at NJPA, It had been confirmed that the City of Pierz made it through the first round of three. Nordlund thanked Council Member Mike Menden and Public Works Director Bob Otremba for their assistance with the presentation.

**UPDATES:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting was motioned to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Kyle Bednar. Motion carried unanimously.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Toby Egan, Mayor

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Dave Fischer, City Clerk