

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
March 13, 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 COUNCIL MINUTES:

A motion was made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to accept the minutes from the February 27, 2017 Regular City Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Council Member Kyle Bednar and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

PLANNING AND ZONING:

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

Legion Ball Park Fence Permit Kamnic Lane

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

PIERZ LEGION PARK:

A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Kyle Bednar to approve a donation in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Pierz Legion Park. In the future the City Council plans to revisit making another donation in 2017 depending what the City has in the donation budget. Motion carried unanimously.

HORIZON HEALTH:

Horizon Health requested a \$300.00 donation from the City. Mayor Toby Egan stated Horizon Health is an incredible organization, but the city legally cannot donate to the organization. Horizon Health is a non-profit organization, but as it is geared towards a specific set of citizens, the city cannot donate to the organization, per recommendation from the City Attorney and Auditors.

SENTINEL LANDSCAPE OPEN HOUSE:

Nicole Nordlund, City Administrator informed the City Council of an upcoming open house at Camp Ripley on March 16, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., in regards to the Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape Program.

ARMY RESERVES TRAINING:

Nicole Nordlund, City Administrator informed the City Council of the Army Reserves wanting to meet with the Council and complete a training. The City Council decided on June 5, 2017 at 3:00 p.m. at the Pierz City Hall.

SAFETY COMMITTEE INSPECTION:

Nicole Nordlund, City Administrator reminded the Safety Committee that they need to set up safety inspections at each of the city buildings.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Eric Hanneken, Police Chief advised the City Council of Policy updates to meet guidelines of POST Board. The following sections were updated to comply: Section 26: Use of Force and Deadly Force, Section 27: Domestic Abuse

Response and Arrest, Section 29: Response to Reports of Missing and Endangered Persons, Section 30: Avoiding Racial Profiling. Hanneken explained a few words were changed to be compliant.

Hanneken presented the January and February 2017 Police report to the City Council.

Hanneken informed the City Council that a Mock Car Crash is planned for April 26, 2017.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Bob Otremba, Public Works Director presented to the City Council the 2005-2016 Power Outage Report.

Otremba also discussed with the Council Members purchasing a new skid loader in April.

ADMINISTRATION:

Nicole Nordlund, City Administrator informed the Council of an IRS Federal Tax penalty for missed/late payments in 2016. Nordlund has since clarified with the IRS when payments are due to make sure we do not miss another payment.

City staff are looking into purchasing electrical outage magnets. Staff are currently checking into quotes.

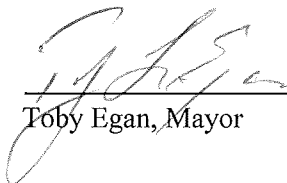
FINANCIAL REPORTS:

TREASURER'S REPORT: A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Kyle Bednar to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of February in the amount of \$972,829.62. Motion carried unanimously.

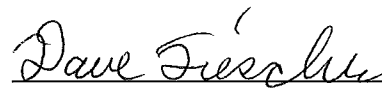
CLAIMS: A motion was made by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to approve the claims in the amount of \$167,984.74. Motion carried unanimously.

UPDATES: Reminder of the City Council Workshop Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was motioned to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. by Council Member Stephanie Fyten and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden. Motion carried unanimously.



Toby Egan, Mayor



Dave Fischer, City Clerk