

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
June 6th 2011

Members present: Toby Egan, Stephanie Fyten, Michael Menden, Mary Korf, Adrian Welle, Maureen Watercott.

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:40 pm at Pierz City Hall by Mayor Toby Egan.

Council Members reviewed the City TIF's and a TIF overview letter prepared by David Drown. They accepted his recommendation of refinancing TIF 1-5 Cassie Street to a USDA Loan with lower interest rates for more manageable payments. They also agreed to switch the Schoenes Levy of \$14,500 to a Cassie Street Levy.

The Council decided to hold the June 28th Employee Meetings as budget meetings instead of employee reviews. They will discuss departmental budgets then and hold employee reviews on July 18th at 5:30 PM. The Council will begin work on the budget once departmental budgets have been reviewed.

The Council discussed their plan for the employee reviews for the full time department head employees. The Council decided to wait on deciding an exact employee raise amount until after department budgets and the City budget are completed. The Council will also raise the employee stipend for insurance by \$50 for the year 2012. The Council will also discuss part time employee raises with the department heads.

The Council also reviewed the MN Power Contract and true up reimbursement amount. The contract will be reviewed and approved/denied at the June 13th Council Meeting.

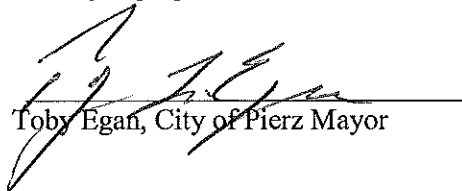
The Council discussed the performance measures of the Office of the State Auditor. These would be 10 performance measures for the city to follow and if they agree to adopt the measures, they receive \$0.14 per capita. The program is voluntary and the Council decided that the benefit is not worth the cost for the program and to opt out of participating.

The Council also discussed moving forward with a week-long City celebration in the summers, potentially attached to the Oktoberfest Celebration. This would include bands, a dance, and festivities throughout the week. The Council decided to work with the Commercial Club and to also look in to what other cities are doing to prepare for the celebration in 2012.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.



Mary Korf, City of Pierz City Clerk



Toby Egan, City of Pierz Mayor