

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
July 11, 2016

Members present: Toby Egan, Mike Menden, Gina Funk, Don Bujalski, Linda Sczublewski, Stephanie Fyten

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

A Motion was made by Council Member Steph Fyten and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to accept the minutes from the June 27th, 2016 Regular City Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to approve the agenda with the addition of Election Judges. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Gina Funk opened and read the bids aloud for the demolition of the Old Bank and the vacant house to the north. Bids were opened in the following order: Saehr Backhoe & Gravel Inc. at \$47,300, Marvin Tretter Inc. at \$79,500, Kowalczyk Gravel Inc. at \$71,800, and Houle Excavating LLC at \$54,980.

A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to award the project to the low bid of Saehr Backhoe & Gravel Inc. at \$47,300. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to approve the asbestos inspection proposal by Rosevold Inspection Services at \$350 per structure and \$25 per sample. The inspection will take place in both the Old Bank and the vacant house to the north. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to approve the Morrison County Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution 07112016-01. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Steph Fyten and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to approve the request for contribution from the Initiative Foundation in the amount of \$1,450. The council was in full support of making an annual donation, because the City works closely with the initiative foundation and the money at one point or other returns to the City in the form of a grant or scholarship. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to approve the application for the Morrison County Environmental Grant Fund. This grant will help cover some of the costs of the asbestos removal in the Old Bank and any that may be in the vacant house to the north. Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Clerk Kari Tyson told the council that Essentia Health has invited them to the groundbreaking of the new clinic which will take place July 25th at 6pm.

Council Member Mike Menden spoke to the council about the need for a different compensation for the Deputy Clerk Kari Tyson who is also serving as the Interim City Administrator. The council agreed that an interim increase in pay needed to happen and that upon hiring of a new City Administrator the pay for the Deputy Clerk would go back to the current rate and potentially be adjusted with the annual wage negotiations later this summer.

A Motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Steph Fyten to approve the interim increase in pay for Deputy Clerk Kari Tyson \$4.50/hour which moves her current hourly rate to \$20 retro back to June 22nd, 2016 when City Administrator Scott Saehr left. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to accept the resignation of Planning and Zoning member Mark Dziewczynski since he no longer lives in town. The City of Pierz will be taking applications for any residents interested in being part of the Planning and Zoning Board. This seats term is up at the end of 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by City Clerk Gina Funk and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to building permit for Dura Supreme's addition. Motion unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to approve the 2016 Election Judges, Patricia Zimmerman, Greg Tetrault, James Zimmerman, Mary Gritzmacher, Lynn Welty, Patty Commerford, Angela Lundblad, Jan Karst, Mary Ann Andrea, Jim Gerwing, and Mark Fyten. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Don Bujalski let the council know that the Golf Course sign on the Old Bank will be taken down and a new location/new sign is being worked on. Public Works Superintendent Bob Otremba is checking on different sign options/locations.

Deputy Clerk Kari Tyson asked if the council was okay with a member from NJPA shadowing our Comprehensive Planning meetings since they will be doing comprehensive planning out of their office. The council didn't have any objections.

A Motion was made by Council Member Steph Fyten and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to approve the Treasurer's Report in the amount of \$844,731.30. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to approve the claims in the amount of \$49,752.90. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was Motioned to adjourn by Council Member Steph Fyten and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:40pm.



Mary Korf, Clerk, City of Pierz



Toby Egan, Mayor, City of Pierz