

**CITY OF PIERZ**  
**Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**January 22nd, 2024**  
**7:00 PM**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor John Perleberg, Council Member Don Bujalski, Council Member Jacque Johnson, Council Member Gary Berg, City Clerk Sarah Fyten

**STAFF PRESENT:** Golf Course Manager Toni Meyer

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to approve the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes from January 8th, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by the Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to approve the Special City Council Meeting Minutes from January 17th, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:**

- Pierz Boys Basketball Club

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Gary Berg to approve the agenda with the addition. Motion carried unanimously.

**PIERZ BOYS' BASKETBALL CLUB:**

Joel Kahl, head coach for boys' basketball, Brian Klein, president of boys' basketball club, and Andy Leidenfrost started this club to promote life lessons through the game of basketball to youth. As of three years ago they began raising funds to put up an outdoor basketball court and have \$40,000-\$45,000 raised to donate to the court. The idea is putting the courts up south of the fire hall. They want a safe space for the community to use. The goal would be to break ground in the spring if things went well. There would be 2 miniature basketball courts, eight hoops, a 9-10-foot fence, benches on the outside, and lights. The club will find three spots as options to put up the courts, total cost, and who will fund or supply lighting for the court. A suggestion is to consider making the courts multi-use.

**EXEMPT PERMIT FOR PIERZ YOUTH FASTPITCH JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2024:**

A motion was made by the Council Member Jacque Johnson and seconded by Council Member Gary Berg to approve the exempt permit for Pierz Youth Fastpitch on June 15th, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

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**EXEMPT PERMIT FOR PIERZ YOUTH BASEBALL JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2024:**

A motion was made by the Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Gary Berg to approve the exempt permit for Pierz Youth Baseball on June 7th, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

**2024 EMPLOYEE CELL PHONE REIMBURSEMENT AND PLAN:**

Currently full-time city employees get a \$40.00 cellphone reimbursement. It is suggested full-time employees get a work phone separate from their personal phone that the city would pay for.

A motion was made by the Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Gary Berg to table the discussion of employee cell phone reimbursement plan until the next city of Pierz workshop. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE RENEWAL OF CONSUMPTION AND DISPLAY PERMIT FOR GOLF COURSE:**

A motion was made by the Council Member Sarah Fyten and seconded by Council Member Gary Berg to approve the renewal of consumption and display permits for the golf course. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE PIERZ AREA COMMERCIAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP DUES:**

A motion was made by the Council Member Gary Berg and seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to approve Pierz area commercial club membership dues. Motion carried unanimously.

**APPROVE 2024 STREET AND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS PLAN:**

The next steps are to approve the plans and then authorizing advertisements for bids. The 2024 project includes reconstructing 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue SW, Summer Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue NE, Peter Avenue, and Cassie alley. The streets will get a curb and gutter section added. A sidewalk will be added on the South side of 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue SW. A sidewalk will be added on summer streets east side and the sidewalk on north will remain. On 1<sup>st</sup> Ave NE the north sidewalk will be replaced. A 40 wide footprint will be added near Reds Auto to help with parking. There will be no sidewalk on Peter Avenue. Cassie alleys existing sanitary sewer will be replaced. First Avenues water main will be replaced on summer street. First Avenue SW from Robert Street to summer and water main will be replaced on Peter and First Avenue NE. A storm sewer will be extended on summer and out to west on Vincent for future connection. Streetlights will be added. The schedule is to advertise this project in the paper on February 14<sup>th</sup>. There is a minimum of 24 days of the project needing to be advertised. The bidding days will be on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Once approved the project is expected to begin around May. A substantial completion will be done in October 2024 and final completion in June 2025.

**RESOLUTION #2024-01-22-1 APPROVING PLANS AND ORDERING ADVERTISEMENTS OF BIDS:**

A motion was made by the Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Gary Berg to approve Resolution #2024-01-22-1 Approving Plans and Ordering Advertisements of Bids. Motion carried unanimously.

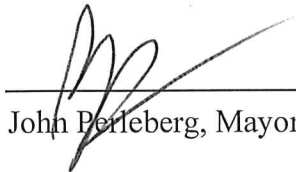
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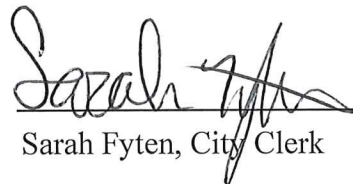
**UPDATES:**

Laura Wacker was hired as the new City Administrator and will on board in February.  
A post needs to be made in the record and on Face Book for the Treasurer's position.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by Council Member Gary Berg and seconded by Council Member Sarah Fyten to adjourn the city council meeting at 7:50 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

  
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John Perleberg, Mayor

  
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Sarah Fyten, City Clerk