

CITY OF PIERZ  
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council  
October 12, 2015

Members present: Toby Egan, Don Bujalski, Gina Funk, Linda Sczublewski,

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 City Clerk Gina Funk and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to accept the minutes from the September 28th, 2015 Regular City Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to approve the agenda with additions of Electric Rate Adjustments. Motion carried unanimously.

Gordon Hart from Babinski Properties was present to give information on the company and the potential for new apartments in Pierz. The council decided to have Gordon and Babinski Properties work with City Administrator Scott Saehr for further information and planning.

A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to approve the Harding Sportsman's Club Gambling Permit for Patrick's Bar and Grill. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to accept the Comprehensive Plan Contract JZP LLC. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to be a Blizzard Level (\$500) Sponsor of St. Nick Night. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by City Clerk Gina Funk and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to approve the City Funds Beginning Balance Adjustments due to old checks. General Fund had an increase of \$60.00, the Fire fund had an increase of \$24.64, and the Golf Course Fund had an increase of \$152.69. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Otremba gave a mosquito spraying report from 2015. A total of 12 applications for 2015.

A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk for the MN State DOT Highway Agreement for snow removal in 2015 through 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by City Clerk Gina Funk and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to accept Saehr Backhoe and Gravel's snow removal agreement for 2015-2016. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Don Bujalski spoke about the electrical rate increase with MN Power, and recommended a 4% increase instead of the original 7%. A Motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to descend the 7% Electric Rate Increase. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by City Clerk Gina Funk and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to increase Electrical Rates to 4%. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Otremba was present and gave an update on an expo he and Fred Underhill attended. Bob also spoke about a patch machine he demoed and will bring prices for a patch machine to the next meeting.

Police Chief Eric Hanneken updated the council on the new full time officer applications. Jason Lochner was the only applicant. A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk to accept the hiring of Jason Lochieder at \$21.75 an hour starting January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

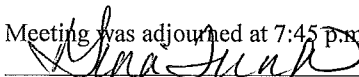
City Administrator Scott Saehr gave an update with a request from Fred Gruber and Tom Theis with the American Legion that they would like to trim the tree in Billig Park near the Veteran's Memorial. It was discussed that they work with Public Works Administrator Bob Otremba on this issue.

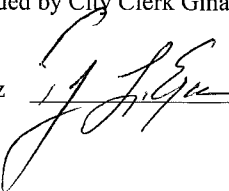
A Motion was made by City Clerk Gina Funk and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to accept the Treasurer's Report in the amount of \$1,168,464.05. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by City Clerk Gina Funk and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to accept the September claims. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was Motioned to adjourn by Mayor Toby Egan and seconded by City Clerk Gina Funk. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

 Gina Funk, Clerk, City of Pierz

  
Toby Egan, Mayor, City of Pierz