

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
December 9 2013

Members present: Toby Egan, Don Bujalski, Steph Fyten, Mike Menden, Matt Bell.

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

Motion made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to accept the minutes from the November 25 2013 Regular Council meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by City Clerk Matt Bell and seconded by Council Member Mike Menden to approve the agenda with the addition of the Christmas Party for the City. Motion carried unanimously.

A Public Hearing was opened at 7:04 PM for the Truth in Taxation Meeting and Final Levy Hearing. No public was present for comments. Meeting was closed at 7:05 PM.

A Motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by City Clerk Matt Bell to approve the the 2014 Levy of \$280,515, with a 0% increase from 2015. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Mayor Toby Egan gave a recap on the Closed Attorney Client Privilege meeting held at 6 pm. He informed the public that the meeting was held to discuss the purchase of the 60.93 acres south of the Pierz Golf Course. A committee was established, consisting of Steph Fyten, Toby Egan, and Anna Gruber to begin negotiations with the sellers. All Council Members were present at the meeting, as well as Daniel Baert, Anna Gruber, Eric Hanneken, and Attorney Tom Jovanovich.

Motion was made by City Clerk Matt Bell and seconded by Council Member Steph Fyten to approve hiring Scott Saehr for the Deputy Clerk position at \$20/hour. Motion carried unanimously.

City Administrator Anna Gruber informed the Council that she will develop a "Lot Split" definition of the zoning ordinances to help clarify how lot splits should be handled in the City.

Public Works Supervisor Bob Otremba informed the Council of the costs of contracting out for Mosquito Spraying and the costs of purchasing the equipment on our own and doing the spraying internally. A motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by City Clerk Matt Bell to approve the purchase of new equipment and chemicals to do the mosquito spraying ourselves. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council member Mike Menden and seconded by City Clerk Matt Bell to approve charging each residents utility account \$1.50/month (\$18/year) for the mosquito spraying. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Toby Egan updated the Council on the progress of the covered bridge at the Golf Course. Bob's Lumber has completed the plans and the structural engineer has finished his review on the bridge and the plan will be to begin construction in the spring.

The City XMAS Party was rescheduled for January 18th due to a conflict in events on the originally scheduled date of the 11th.

Public Works Supervisor Bob Otremba informed the Council that Centurylink moved their pedestal by the Fire Hall and the therefore he was able to move the pole behind the fire hall. He also clarified the process for snow removal and informed the Council that the skid loader had a major repair this last week.

Police Chief Eric Hanneken was present and informed the Council that the month has been going well; he informed them that he emptied 5 lbs. of narcotics and 12 lbs. of garbage from the drug drop box this past month.

Park Superintendent Daniel Baert was present to give an update on the covered bridge and also to inform the Council

that the cross country ski trails are ready at the Golf Course.

A Motion was made by City Clerk Matt Bell and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to approve the treasurers report with a November 30, 2013 Checkbook balance of \$471,460.70. Motion carried unanimously.

A Motion was made by Council Member Steph Fyten and seconded by City Clerk Matt Bell to approve renewing CD's (two CD's) for the Electric Fund in the amount of \$114742.90 each at F & M Bank for 1 year at .75% interest. Motion carried unanimously.

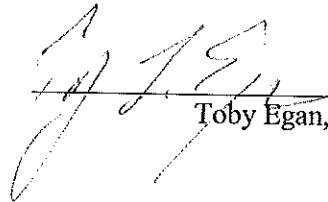
A Motion was made by Council Member Mike Menden and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to approve the claims in the amount of \$176,427.91. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Council member Steph Fyten and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.



Matt Bell, Clerk, City of Pierz



Toby Egan, City of Pierz Mayor