

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
May 27th, 2020
7:00 PM

Members Present: Dave Fischer, Jacque Ballou, Don Bujalski, Lynn Egan, Linda Sczublewski

Staff Present: Bob Otremba

The City Council meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by “zoom” teleconference by Mayor Dave Fischer.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES:

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – May 11th, 2020

A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Jacque Ballou to approve the May 11th, 2020 City Council meeting minutes. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Jacque Ballou to approve the agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS/PLANNING AND ZONING:

A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Lynn Egan to approve the following building permit applications:

Midwest Exteriors of Royalton	303 Karst St	New home construction
Chad Thesing	106 4 th Ave SE	Concrete permit
Jim and Pat Zimmerman	313 Park Ave SE	Concrete permit
Richard Henry	320 Park Ave SE	Concrete permit

Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

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The council discussed temporary structures that will be put in place at Patrick's Bar and Grill, Bootleggers, and Frosty's Bar and Grill. Establishments will be required to submit a small accessory structure permit for the temporary structures. A motion was by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Don Bujalski to waive the \$30.00 small accessory structure permit fee for Patrick's Bar and Grill, Bootleggers, and Frosty's Bar and Grill. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

2020 STREET IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT AWARD:

Bill Zidon from S E H presented the bids for the 2020 Street Improvements Project. The low bidder was Knife River Corporation for \$498,529.15. A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council member Jacque Ballou to award the 2020 Street Improvement Project to Knife River Corporation for \$498,529.15. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

2020 STREET IMPROVEMENTS – CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES – S E H

Bill Zidon from S E H presented a Construction Phase Services Agreement for the 2020 Street Improvements Project. A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Jacque Ballou to approve the Construction Phase Services Agreement for the 2020 Street Improvements Project from S E H for an hourly estimated fee of \$44,000. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

COVID-19 BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATIONS:

A motion was made by Council Member Jacque Ballou and seconded by Council member Lynn Egan to approve the following COVID-19 Business Assistance Program applications: Pierz Ballroom, Pierz Lanes, Don's Custom Laser, Pioneer Restaurant of Pierz, LLC, Haircuts Plus – Laurette Waytashek, Amp Fitness, LLC, Falls Optical, LLC, Haircuts Plus – Jodi Sauer, Becker Screen Printing & Design, and Patrick's Bar and Grill. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

BAR AND RESTAURANT PATIO – COVID-19:

The council reviewed temporary patio sketches by Patrick's Bar and Grill, Bootlegger's Bar, and Frosty's Bar and Grill which would allow them to open for outside sales of alcohol and food in their defined patios. Several safety concerns were expressed. Police chief Eric Hanneken will review the safety concerns and Planning and Zoning will review the Small Accessory Structure Permit Applications by the next council meeting. A motion was made by Council Member Lynn Egan and seconded by Council Member Jacque Ballou to approve the temporary patios for Patrick's Bar and Grill, Bootlegger's Bar, and Frosty's Bar and Grill contingent on review by city staff. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

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PATRICK’S BAR AND GRILL LIQUOR LICENSE GRACE PERIOD:

The council discussed a request from Patrick’s Bar and Grill to have a grace period for his liquor license renewal fee. A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Lynn Egan to require the Patrick’s Bar and Grill to pay \$1,666.75 for his liquor license renewal fee for July 1st, 2020 through June 30th, 2021 and to not refund any of the liquor license fee. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

ROCK, ROLL, AND STROLL:

Brenda Becker presented the Rock, Roll, and Stroll committee’s ideas to hold the June 4th, 2020 Rock, Roll, and Stroll event. They included no poker walk, no voting or prizes, and one-way pedestrian traffic. The city of Pierz does not license or permit the event so the feedback was for discussion purposes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Administrator Bob Otremba discussed holding the June 8th, 2020 city council meeting in person at Pierz City Hall, city-wide clean-up day, and gave a Pierz Golf Course and Campground update.

UPDATES:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Council Member Don Bujalski and seconded by Council Member Lynn Egan to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm. Roll Call Vote: Council Member Don Bujalski – Aye, Council Member Jacque Ballou – Aye, Council Member Lynn Egan – Aye, Mayor Dave Fischer – Aye. Motion carried unanimously.



Dave Fischer, Mayor



Kyle Bednar, City Clerk