

CITY OF PIERZ
Official Minutes of the Pierz City Council
September 10, 2018

Members Present: Toby Egan, Dave Fischer, Stephanie Fyten, Kyle Bednar and Linda Sczublewski.

Members Absent: Mike Menden

The City Council Work Session was called to order at 5:15 p.m. at Pierz City Hall by Mayor Toby Egan.

2019 BUDGET AND LEVY DISCUSSION:

City Council Members reviewed the 2019 proposed budget and recommended changes from the Finance Committee. Nicole Smude, City Administrator updated the City Council on any changes that had been made to the budget. The City Council did not have any major questions to the changes made. City Council Members further discussed the preliminary levy. The Finance Committee brought forward a 2.5% levy increase. Mayor Toby Egan expressed that he is not interested in a 2.5 % levy increase. City Council Members discussed needing to prepare for future development such as roads, the trail project and the new property. A public hearing will be held September 24th at 6:30 p.m. for further discussion on the budget and preliminary levy. The preliminary levy will be brought forward at the September 24th City Council Meeting.

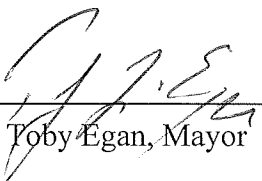
MOSQUITO SPRAYING CHARGES:

Smude discussed with the City Council some concerns regarding how the city is charging for spraying for mosquitos. The Electric Committee discussed addressing spraying for mosquitos differently than how the Finance Committee discussed spraying for mosquitos. Smude was hearing varying opinions and wanted to make sure everyone understood. Currently the City charges per meter and can no longer charge renters per state regulations but can charge landlords. Smude discussed the city receiving complaints from residents regarding this matter and the confusion towards billing. City Council Members addressed mosquito spraying as being an amenity for residents and that the fee is not that large. Further discussion was had regarding sending letters to all landlords notifying them of the mosquito charges from their renters. Council Members further discussed charging per unit and not per meter and allowing exceptions to establishments such as Pierz Villa. Smude to further work with Deputy Clerk Kari Tyson and Director of Public Works/Parks & Rec on this matter and bring forward at an Electric/Public Works Committee Meeting for further discussion in the future.

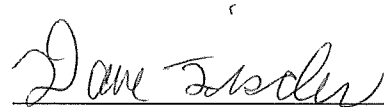
No decisions were made regarding any of the above discussions. Further discussion and approval will take place at future meetings.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



Toby Egan, Mayor



Dave Fischer, City Clerk