

February 5, 2018

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Pierce met in regular session on Monday, February 5, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. at the Pierce Fire Hall. Present: Mayor Shannon Stuchlik, City Council Members Tom Maas, Rick Ronspies, and Lee Acklie. Absent: City Council Member Bob Bates. Also Present: City Administrator Chad Anderson, City Attorney Verlyn Luebbe, Brett Oestreich, Austin Rohrich, Steve Dolesh, Dave Lienemann, Tom Meyer, and Randee Falter.

Advance notice of the meeting was published in the Pierce County Leader. Advance notice of the meeting was also given to the Mayor and all members of the City Council. The Mayor and the City Council members have signed an Acknowledgement of Receipt of Notice of Meeting dated February 5, 2018. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice in the Pierce County Leader and in the notice to the Mayor and City Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The audience was notified that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted inside the west entrance of the Pierce Fire Hall on the north wall.

Motion by Maas and seconded by Acklie to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2018 City Council Meeting. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Maas to approve the City of Pierce January 31, 2018 Financial Report listing Cash and Investments in the amount of \$3,647,734.83 and Bonded Indebtedness in the amount of \$920,000.00. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Maas to approve the City of Pierce Claims in the amount of \$115,365.40 and the Pierce Utilities Claims in the amount of \$185,054.18 for a total of \$300,419.58. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Maas and seconded by Acklie to open the 2018 One And Six Year Plan for Street Improvement hearing. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Ordinance #695, to annex Lot One of the Willow Wood Addition into the city limits was introduced by City Council Member Tom Maas.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to waive the three readings of Ordinance #695. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to approve Ordinance #695, to annex Lot One of the Willow Wood Addition into the city limits. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Ordinance #696, to annex an area known as the Warneke Addition into city limits located south of the Pierce County Fairgrounds was introduced by City Council Member Rick Ronspies.

Motion by Maas and seconded by Ronspies to waive the three readings of Ordinance #696. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Maas and seconded by Acklie to approve Ordinance #696, to annex the area known as Warneke Addition located south of the Pierce County Fairgrounds into city limits. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Maas and seconded by Acklie to approve a resolution approving a lot split of Lot 1, Willow Wood Subdivision to be known as Lot 1A and 1B. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to allow Charlie's to have a keno sales operation at 116 S. Brown St. Voting Aye: Acklie, Maas, and Ronspies. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Steve Dolesh presented the 2017 Fire and Rescue Report.

Steve Dolesh informed the City Council that the Rural Fire Board and the Fire Department are planning on purchasing a new 3,000 gallon tanker/pumper truck. Four bids had been received. The plan was to have the truck delivered by January 2018. Dolesh said the Rural Board is looking into applying for a USDA loan to help out with the purchase of the new truck. Dolesh said the Fire Department is asking for any kind of financial contribution from the City but understood that any contribution would have to come out of next year's budget.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to approve and certify the list of volunteers submitted by Rodney Schwartz who have qualified as active volunteer firefighters for the 2017 calendar year of service in conjunction with the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Maas and seconded by Acklie to proceed with the advertisement for bids for the drilling of a new well with the acknowledgement of the estimate from Gilmore & Associates in the amount of \$40,000. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Maas to direct the Mayor to sign an easement between the City and Citizens Bank regarding the Nebraska Street right of way adjacent to the Pierce Elevator office building. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Maas and seconded by Ronspies to approve the 2018 Pierce High Alumni Parade Resolution. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Maas to approve the sale of the 2006 GMC with a 1974 Hi-Ranger Bucket in the amount of \$10,111.00 to Scott Marks of Pierce. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Maas and seconded by Ronspies to approve the 2018 One And Six Year Plan For Street Improvement Resolution. Voting Aye: Acklie, Ronspies, and Maas. Nay: None. Absent: Bates. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to adjourn. Motion carried.

City Administrator

Mayor