

The September meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Pierce was held following the budget hearing at the Pierce Fire Hall and was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Tom Meyer. Present: Mayor Tom Meyer, City Council Members Lee Acklie, Jared Baumann, Kyle Stuchlik, and Will Fogle. Also Present: City Clerk Cathy Furstenau, City Administrator Chad Anderson, City Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Police Chief Brett Oestreich, and Jim Walton.

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 Acknowledgment of Receipt of Notice of Meeting dated September 11, 2023. 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 Baumann and seconded by Acklie to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2023 City Council Meeting. Voting Aye: Fogle, Stuchlik, Baumann, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to approve the City of Pierce August 31, 2023 Financial Report listing Cash and Investments in the amount of \$5,747,133.55 and Bonded Indebtedness in the amount of \$1,990,000.00. Voting Aye: Acklie, Stuchlik, Fogle, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

City Of Pierce claims were submitted in the amount of \$188,677.37 and Pierce Utilities claims were submitted in the amount of \$242,576.81 for a total of \$431,254.18.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Acklie to approve the City Of Pierce Pierce Telephone Company claims in the amount of \$701.61 and the Pierce Utilities Pierce Telephone Company claims in the amount of \$558.95. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Acklie, and Baumann. Nay: None. Abstaining: Fogle. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Stuchlik to approve the remainder of the City Of Pierce Claims in the amount of \$187,975.76 and the remainder of the Pierce Utilities Claims in the amount of \$242,017.86. Voting Aye: Acklie, Baumann, Stuchlik, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Andrew Wolff spoke to the Mayor and City Council about the renewal rates, coverage of property insurance, and workers compensation insurance with EMC Insurance.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Acklie to approve an additional 1% increase in the Total 2022/23 Funds Subject To Limitation. Voting Aye: Acklie, Baumann, Stuchlik, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Stuchlik to approve the City Of Pierce 2023-24 Budget. Voting Aye: Baumann, Stuchlik, Fogle, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Acklie to approve the Resolution setting the 2023-24 property tax request. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Fogle, Acklie, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to approve the bid from Bobcat in the amount of \$66,553.22 for a Compact Excavator. Voting Aye: Acklie, Stuchlik, Fogle, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Stuchlik to increase the salary of Bill Wragge by \$100 per month. The salary change will be effective on the second pay period in September 2023. Voting Aye: Fogle, Baumann, Stuchlik, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Fogle to approve additional payroll changes effective second payroll in October for Austin Rohrich in the amount of \$294.50, Dave Hrabanek in the amount of \$267.98, Cathy Furstenau in the amount of \$33.84, Ashley Halsey in the amount of \$408.20, Edward Sporleder in the amount of \$228.19, Troy Becker in the amount of \$194.80, and Chad Anderson in the amount of \$61.48. Voting Aye: Baumann, Stuchlik, Acklie, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Stuchlik to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 P.M. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Mayor