

The Mayor and City Council of the City Of Pierce met in regular session on Monday, October 2, 2023 at the Pierce Fire Hall. Present: Mayor Tom Meyer, City Council Members Lee Acklie, Jared Baumann, Kyle Stuchlik, and Will Fogle. Also Present: City Clerk Cathy Furstenuau, City Administrator Chad Anderson, City Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Brett Oestreich, Austin Rohrich, Todd Wragge, Jimmie Walton 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 City Council Members have signed an Acknowledgment Of Receipt Of Notice Of Meeting dated October 2, 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.

It was announced 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 September 11, 2023 Budget Hearing and to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2023 City Council Meeting. Voting Aye: Fogle, Stuchlik, Acklie, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to approve the City Of Pierce September 30, 2023 Financial Report listing Cash And Investments in the amount of \$5,849,804.09 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 \$305,265.88 and Pierce Utilities claims were submitted in the amount of \$222,982.10 for a total of \$528,247.98.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Stuchlik to approve the City of Pierce Pierce Telephone Claim in the amount of \$5,595.47. Voting Aye: Acklie, Baumann, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Abstain: Fogle. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Stuchlik to approve the remainder of The City Of Pierce claims in the amount of \$299,670.41 and the Pierce Utilities claims in the amount of \$222,982.10. Voting Aye: Acklie, Stuchlik, Fogle, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to open the 2024 Street Plan Hearing. Voting Aye: Fogle, Acklie, Baumann, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Chad Anderson presented information on the 2024 Street Plan which includes the 2024 One Year Plan and the 2025-2029 Six Year Plan.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Stuchlik to close the 2024 Street Plan Hearing. Voting Aye: Baumann, Fogle, Stuchlik, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Stuchlik and seconded by Acklie to adopt the 2024 Street Plan. Voting Aye: Baumann, Fogle, Stuchlik, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Stuchlik and seconded by Fogle to approve the Resolution for the signing of the Municipal Annual Certification Compliance Form 2023. Voting Aye: Fogle, Acklie, Stuchlik, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Stuchlik to approve the Vacant Property Registration Exemption Request at 410 E Main for one year. Voting Aye: Baumann, Acklie, Fogle, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Stuchlik and seconded by Acklie to authorize the City Clerk to file a Special Assessment at 410 E Nebraska. Voting Aye: Baumann, Fogle, Stuchlik, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Baumann to authorize the City Clerk to file a Special Assessment at 514 N 5th. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Acklie, Baumann, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Stuchlik to approve the bid of the sale of surplus property 2006 Crown Victoria in the amount of \$1,200.00. Voting Aye: Fogle, Acklie, Stuchlik, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Discussion on Garbage Rates has been tabled until the November City Council meeting.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Acklie to approve Austin Kroupa’s six-month review of a \$200.00 per month salary increase plus the cost of living raise. Voting Aye: Fogle, Acklie, Stuchlik, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Stuchlik and seconded by Acklie to approve a \$100.00 per month salary increase plus the cost of living raise for fiscal year 2023-24, and a \$100 per month salary increase plus the cost of living raise for fiscal year 2024-25 for Clay Johnson. Voting Aye: Fogle, Acklie, Stuchlik, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Stuchlik to approve a \$230.00 per month cost of living salary increase for salaried employees. Hourly staff increases were Susan Fehringer to \$13.50 per hour, Judy Fuerhoff to \$13.00 per hour, Emily Edmisten to \$12.00 per hour, and Cali Warneke to \$10.00 per hour. Voting Aye: Fogle, Acklie, Stuchlik, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to approve a \$478.56 per month salary increase for Chief of Police Brett Oestreich, Sargent Troy Becker, and Officer Austin Rohrich for fiscal year 2023-24, and for fiscal year 2024-25 a \$100 per month salary increase plus cost of living. Voting Aye: Acklie, Stuchlik, Fogle, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Stuchlik to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

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City Clerk

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Mayor