

The Mayor and City Council of the City Of Pierce met in regular session on Monday, February 05, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. at the Pierce Fire Hall. Present: Mayor Tom Meyer, City Council Members Kyle Stuchlik, Jared Baumann, Lee Acklie, and Will Fogle. Also Present: City Clerk Cathy Furstenau, City Administrator Chad Anderson, City Attorney Ted Lohrberg, Randee Falter, Ross Lawrence with JEO, and Lori Wragge along with several members of the Pierce Senior Center Board.

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 February 05, 2024. 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 Stuchlik and seconded by Acklie to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2023 City Council Meeting. Voting Aye: Baumann, Acklie, Stuchlik, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2024 City Council Meeting. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Acklie, Baumann, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Acklie to approve the City Of Pierce January 31, 2024 Financial Report listing Cash And Investments in the amount of \$5,629,615.45 and Bonded Indebtedness in the amount of \$1,966,368.75. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Fogle, Acklie, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

City Of Pierce claims were submitted in the amount of \$148,301.33 and Pierce Utilities claims were submitted in the amount of \$171,535.35 for a total of \$319,836.68.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Acklie to approve the City Of Pierce Pierce Telephone Company claim in the amount of \$1,374.64 and the Pierce Utilities Pierce Telephone Company claim in the amount of \$1,091.82. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Baumann, and Acklie. 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 \$146,926.69 and the remainder of the Pierce Utilities claims in the amount of \$170,443.53. Voting Aye: Baumann, Acklie, Fogle, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Ross Lawrence, with JEO, presented information on the process of doing a Levee Accreditation Evaluation to determine if the levee meets the guidelines and regulations set forth by FEMA.

Motion by Stuchlik and seconded by Acklie to proceed with the agreement between The City of Pierce and JEO Consulting Group to move forward with the Levee Accreditation Evaluation. Voting Aye: Baumann, Fogle, Acklie, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Stuchlik to approve the Resolution Authorizing a Loan from Elkhorn Valley Bank in the amount of \$214,030.00 to Finance the Cost of the Levee Accreditation Evaluation. Voting Aye: Baumann, Acklie, Fogle, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Lori Wragge, on behalf of the Pierce Senior Center, was present to request financial assistance from the City to help out with their monthly operating costs.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Acklie to Open Hearing to Consider the Approval of Conditional Use Permit for a Home Occupation at 119 E Pierce St. Voting Aye: Fogle, Stuchlik, Acklie, and Baumann. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to Close the Hearing to Consider the Approval of Conditional Use Permit for a Home Occupation at 119 E Pierce St. Voting Aye: Fogle, Acklie, Baumann, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to Approve the Conditional Use Permit for a Home Occupation for a In Home Daycare at 119 E Pierce St for a period of ten years. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Acklie, Baumann, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Stuchlik to approve the Resolution to Sell City Owned Surplus Property (1994 John Deere 310D Backhoe) by means of an on-line auction service. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Baumann, Acklie, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion Carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Acklie to authorize Advanced Consulting Engineering Services to draw up plans and specifications for 5th & Main Intersection Replacement Project. Voting Aye: Fogle, Baumann, Stuchlik, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Baumann to approve the promotion of Clay Johnson to Electric Superintendent on or before March 15th with the salary increase as discussed. Voting Aye: Acklie, Stuchlik, Baumann, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Stuchlik to approve additional payroll change for Troy Becker to \$203.15 per month. Voting Aye: Baumann, Acklie, Fogle, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Stuchlik and seconded by Fogle to approve additional payroll change for Chad Anderson to \$68.47 per month. Voting Aye: Baumann, Acklie, Fogle, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Stuchlik and seconded by Fogle to adjourn. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Mayor