

September 09, 2024

The City Of Pierce 2024-25 budget hearing was held on Monday, September 09, 2024. The budget hearing began at 6:30 P.M. and the tax request hearing was held immediately following the budget hearing.

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, Taylor Neel, Brenda Roberts, and Jim Walton.

Advance notice of the hearing was published in the Pierce County Leader. Advance notice of the hearing 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 09, 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 hearing 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 Fogle and seconded by Acklie to open the City Of Pierce 2024-25 budget hearing. Voting Aye: Stuchlik, Baumann, Fogle, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

A discussion of the City Of Pierce 2024-25 budget was held.

The 2024-25 budget of expenditures is \$9,494,335.00. That represents a 2.37% decrease from the 2023-24 fiscal year budget of expenditures.

The 2024 valuation is \$138,286,665.00 an increase of \$12,106,644.00 from the 2023 valuation.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Stuchlik to close the City Of Pierce 2024-25 budget hearing. Voting Aye: Fogle, Baumann, Acklie, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Stuchlik to open the City Of Pierce 2024-25 tax request hearing. Voting Aye: Acklie, Baumann, Fogle, and Stuchlik. Nay: None. Motion carried.

The 2024-25 tax requests were reviewed.

The total tax requests for the 2024-25 fiscal year will be \$858,500.00. That is an increase of 3.08% from the 2023-24 fiscal year total tax requests. The General Fund tax request is \$656,500.00 and the Bond Fund tax request is \$202,000.00. The City Of Pierce is proposing to adopt a tax request that will result in the tax rate to be \$0.602261 per \$100.00 of assessed value.

Motion by Fogle and seconded by Stuchlik to close the City Of Pierce 2024-25 tax request hearing. Voting Aye: Acklie, Baumann, Stuchlik, and Fogle. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Baumann and seconded by Fogle to adjourn the combination budget/tax request hearings at 6:50 P.M. Motion carried.

City Clerk

Mayor