

The October 2009 meeting of the Pierce City Council was held on Monday, October 5, 2009 at 7:00 P.M. at the Pierce Fire Hall. Present: Tom Maas, Bob Bates, Rick Ronspies, and Lee Acklie. Absent: Mayor Shannon Stuchlik. Also Present: City Clerk Mary Jean Rogers, City Administrator Chad Anderson, City Attorney Verlyn Luebbe, Jerry Thackston, Troy Becker, Brett Oestreich, Ryan Stusse, Lowell Zellmer, Tom Meyer, Gary Malishewski, and Randee Falter.

In the absence of Mayor Shannon Stuchlik, Tom Maas conducted the meeting as Acting Mayor.

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 Acting Mayor and the City Council members have signed an Acknowledgment Of Receipt Of Notice Of Meeting dated October 5, 2009. 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 Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2009 Budget Hearing and the September 14, 2009 City Council Meeting. Voting Aye: Bates, Ronspies, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Bates to approve the City Of Pierce September 30, 2009 Financial Report listing Cash And Investments in the amount of \$1,853,703.32 and Bonded Indebtedness in the amount of \$1,385,000.00. Voting Aye: Ronspies, Acklie, and Bates. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Ronspies to approve the City Of Pierce Claims in the amount of \$92,676.43 and the Pierce Utilities claims in the amount of \$242,877.77 for a total of \$335,554.20. Voting Aye: Acklie, Bates, and Ronspies. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Tom Meyer presented information on the 911 Emergency Communications System to the City Council. Discussion items included personnel, funding, equipment, and having until July 2010 to have the system in place.

Two bids were received for the purchase of a police car.

E. M. Motor Company	2010 Ford Crown Victoria	\$24,363.00
Courtesy Ford	2010 Ford Crown Victoria	\$23,863.00

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to approve the bid of Courtesy Ford for the purchase of a 2010 Ford Crown Victoria in the amount of \$23,863.00. Voting Aye: Ronspies and Acklie. Nay: Bates. Motion carried.

Several bids were reviewed for roof repair for the Park Shelterhouse, Swimming Pool Bathhouse, Devers Shelter, Park Restrooms, Park Concession Stand, and Baseball Storage Shed. The matter was tabled and more information will be presented at the November 2, 2009 City Council Meeting.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Ronspies to affirm the findings of the Board Of Health of nuisance conditions at 203 East Court Street, 320 East Willow Street, and 415 South First Street. Voting Aye: Ronspies, Acklie, and Bates. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to send a letter to the property owners of 203 East Court Street, 320 East Willow Street, and 415 South First Street asking them to abate the nuisance conditions within seven days after the receipt of the letter or be subject to a fine of \$25.00 per day. Voting Aye: Acklie, Bates, and Ronspies. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Acklie to approve the Application And Certification For Payment #2 from Midlands Contracting in the amount of \$29,686.64 for the 2009 Sewer Liner Project. Voting Aye: Bates, Ronspies, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Ronspies to table the matter of employee salaries. The motion failed for the lack of a second to the motion.

Acting Mayor Tom Maas stated that the time was 7:50 P.M. and asked for a motion to enter into executive session with the discussion of employee salaries as the limitation of the subject matter to be discussed in executive session. Motion by Acklie and seconded by Bates to enter into executive session at 7:50 P.M. with the discussion of employee salaries as the limitation of the subject matter to be discussed in executive session. Voting Aye: Bates and Acklie. Nay: Ronspies. Motion carried. Acting Mayor Tom Maas then restated the reason of the discussion of employee salaries as the limitation of the subject matter to be discussed in executive session.

Motion by Ronspies and seconded by Bates to come out of executive session at 8:30 P.M. Voting Aye: Ronspies, Acklie, and Bates. Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Acklie and seconded by Bates to approve a merit pay increase in the amount of \$75.00 per month to Jerry Thackston, \$75.00 per month to Kevin Korth, \$75.00 per month to David Hoogestraat, \$75.00 per month to Dawnn Tucker, \$75.00 per month to Brett Oestreich, \$75.00 per month to Troy Becker, \$125.00 per month to Cope Clark and \$125.00 per month to Chad Anderson and to approve a \$75.00 cost of living increase to Jerry Thackston, Kevin Korth, David Hoogestraat, Dawnn Tucker, Brett Oestreich, Troy Becker, Cope Clark, Chad Anderson, Mary Jean Rogers, Debra Woslager, Gary Zimmer, Gary Fuerhoff, and Paul Hilkemann Jr. and to approve a .20 per hour increase to Vicky Marks, Marcella Wragge, Judy Fuerhoff, Sue Hoefener (Meter Reading) and Cheryl Wragge. Voting Aye: Bates, Ronspies, and Acklie. Nay: None. Motion carried.

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

Mary Jean Rogers
City Clerk

Tom Maas
Acting Mayor