

**Town of Pierceton**  
Council Public Meeting Minutes  
Pierceton Community Building  
September 11, 2023 @ 6:30 pm

**Present**

Council President Matt Brubaker. Council members Tom Barker (arrived 6:35 pm) and Janet Castle. Town Attorney Tammy Keirn. Clerk-Treasurer Myra Mast. Town Marshal Jim Bumbaugh and Town Superintendent Casey Boggs.

**Public Hearing**

At 6:30 pm the public hearing was called to order.

Pierceton 123, aka Chester Inc, previously submitted the abatement form CF-1/Real Property and at the August Council meeting, council found that they were not in substantial compliance due to the number of employees stated on the SB-1 that would be added was much less than what was currently being reported. Per Pierceton 123 representative Kevin McGuffey, they would not contest the decision. Council made the final decision to deny the abatement.

**The regularly scheduled Council Meeting opened at 6:33 pm.**

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes for the council meeting held on August 14, 2023 at 6:30 pm at the Pierceton Community Building were approved by council

**Claim Docket**

\$111,296.91 in claims were paid.

**Approvals**

- The following resolutions were approved by the council:
  - Resolution 9-1-2023 changed employment status of Kelly Engle from full-time to part-time.
  - Resolution 9-2-2023 set the salary for new Deputy Clerk Bambi Hyde.
  - Resolution 9-3-2023 reduced budget funds from the 2023 budget.
- Casey Boggs presented an updated list for the K21 grant. Council approved the new list and the grant will be completed and submitted with this new list.
- The council approved the town's trick or treat hours to be 5:30 to 8:00 pm on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **Guests**

- Ashlee Ryman, the new owner of the former United Methodist Church located at 502 N Catholic Street, was present requesting a letter of support from the council be sent to the BZA for a zoning change from public to commercial. Council advised the clerk-treasurer to send a letter to the BZA stating that they have no issue with the rezoning at this time.

### **Streets, Water, Sewer**

- Casey Boggs advised that street paving will begin soon and the town will post a date as soon as it is known.

### **Pierceton Police Department**

- The new vehicle will be received decals.
- Officer Jones will participate in the Whitko Homecoming Parade.
- Marshal Bumbaugh is pursuing criminal mischief charges in regards to the recent vandalism of the amphitheater in the community park.

### **Park**

- The community park will close in October.

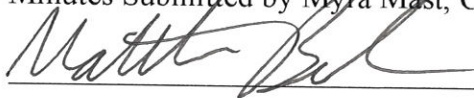
### **Other Business**

- OMCO will be hosting a Trunk or Treat event and invited any town groups to decorate a vehicle and participate. The event will be held on Saturday, October 28, 2023 from 2:00-4:00 pm.
- MACOG will be in town for an income study and Matt Brubaker asked town residents to participate so the town can qualify for a Master Utility Study grant and also the grant to fund the sidewalk improvement project.
- A stop sign is being added at School and Seventh Streets to support a crosswalk to the community park.

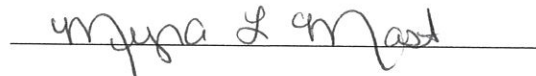
### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm. The next general meeting will be at 6:30 pm on October 9, 2023 at the Pierceton Community Building.

Minutes Submitted by Myra Mast, Clerk-Treasurer.



Council President



Clerk-Treasurer