

Town of Pierceton
Special Meeting Minutes
Pierceton Community Building
June 19, 2023 @ 5:00 pm

Purpose of Meeting

To hear presentations from Amy Roe regarding the HELP program and ARPA funds and from the Pierceton Recreation Board regarding the K21 grant.

Present

Council members Matt Brubaker, Janet Castle, and Tom Barker (arrived late at approximately 5:50 pm). Clerk-Treasurer Myra Mast. Town Attorney Tammy Keirn. Town Superintendent Casey Boggs.

Discussion

- Amy Roe, HELP Program Coordinator, and Zach Dripps from MACOG
 - Explained the phases of the HELP program and purpose.
 - Town must meet the 51% higher level of low to moderate income level to move forward with any projects. MACOG will perform an income study to determine the income level. Addresses will be selected at random, and a mailing will be sent with only two questions. Recipients will need to complete and return. If they fail to participate, MACOG representatives will go door to door to the same addresses to complete the study. The town will work to advise the town residents in advance of the income study the importance of participation. A study can be performed a second time if necessary.
 - Projects for a Community “Pole Building” for recreation activities and a sidewalk project were presented. The concern with the building project was how to fund it in the future. The sidewalk project could be a residential sidewalk, or a main street project and actual ownership and maintenance of the sidewalks would remain with the property owners. Only projects from the Strategic Investment Plan that had been completed earlier in the year are eligible for funding through the project and both the projects are part of the SIP.
 - Janet motioned to move forward with the Master Utility Study. This will provide information as to where issues may be in the water and wastewater systems and is required in order to apply for grants. Matt seconded and the vote carried 3-0.
 - Matt motioned to move forward with a sidewalk project with the exact area and plan to be determined. The vote passed unanimously.

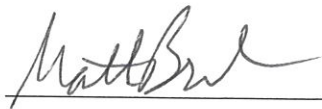
- K21 Grant Presentation – Casey Boggs
 - Casey presented the council with a list of projects with a total estimate of \$280,000 in projects.
 - Projects included the pickleball/tennis courts, new dugouts, a crosswalk from the community park to the Pierceton Elementary School, skate park equipment, repairs to restrooms and concession stand, new playground equipment, sidewalks within the park and other items that totaled approximately \$280,000.
 - Matt Brubaker would like an opportunity to talk with K21 representatives to verify which items on the list are eligible.

Other Business

- Matt Brubaker announced that Washington Township Trustee, Dean Rhoades, appointed Chris Staley as the Township’s representative to serve on the Recreation Board.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm.



Council President



Clerk-Treasurer