38) REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF PIERCEFIELD, March 10, 2022 **DRAFT**

- 39) A regular board meeting of the Town of Piercefield was held on March 10, 2022 at 7:30 PM at the Piercefield Town Hall with the following members present:
 Supervisor Neil Pickering
 Councilmember: Tom Snye
 Councilmember Joe Denis
 Councilmember Gina Sarazen
 Councilmember Amy LaLonde
 OTHERS PRESENT: Town Clerk Christielee Geiger, Town Superintendent Jay Rust
- 40) <u>Pledge of Allegiance</u> The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Neil Pickering.
- 41) Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, seconded by Councilmember Joe Denis, the minutes of February 10th as presented by the Town Clerk be approved. AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Denis, Snye, Sarazen, LaLonde NAYS: 0.

42)	Monies Received	
	General	
	Transfer Station Fees	\$1,315.00
	License/Permits	\$17.00
	Town Surcharge	\$334.95
	1 st Quarter Sales Tax	\$40,539.69
	Sale of Forest Products	\$91.80
	Highway	
	1 st Quarter Sales Tax	\$40,539.68
	Winter Road maintenance	\$6,651.99

43) Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) and Assessor Reports

Privilege of Floor

44) Jay reported the numbers for CHIPS \$68,304.80, Pave NY \$18,211 and Extreme Recovery \$9,189.75 for 2022. In order to receive this income, the Highway Department must spend the money and show bills/checks have been paid before reimbursements can be made. Usually, this money is not received until the following year.

He also updated the Board about the Federal Mandate introduced on February 7th that all new CDL Drivers must complete schooling. There are specific schools across the United States available, and the class takes 4 weeks to complete.

The new well that was put in Conifer is still having motor trouble. Continuing work on that project.

Old Business

45.) The Deputy Clerk position has been filled. Piercefield Local, Paige Phillips applied and the Board approved hiring her to assist/train under the current Town Clerk, Christielee Geiger. On a motion by Supervisor Neil Pickering, seconded by Councilmember Amy LaLonde, the following be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Denis, Snye, LaLonde Sarazen. NAYS: 0 Approved.

New Business

46) **RESOLUTION NO.: 03-12-2022**

RESOLUTION TO AUDIT RECORDS OF TOWN JUSTICE JONN KOPP

WHEREAS, the New York State Comptroller requires periodic audits of Town Justice financial records by the Town Board, and

WHEREAS, Town Justice Jonn Kopp of the Town of Piercefield, St. Lawrence County, New York, has submitted his financial records from the year January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021 to the Piercefield Town Board for audit, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Piercefield has audited and does approve the financial records submitted for the year 2021 by Town Justice Jonn Kopp, and be it further

RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the New York State Unified Court System as evidence that said audit was conducted as required.

On a motion by Councilmember Amy LaLonde, seconded by Councilmember Denis, the following resolution be adopted: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Denis, Lalonde, Snye Sarazen. NAYS: 0 Adopted.

47) Planning Board Chair Vacancy. Susan Kennedy our current Chair has stepped down. The planning Board meets when someone wants to build something "out of the ordinary" from code regulations. This Board works closely with the Code Enforcement Officer for guidance on rules and regulations.

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48) The Dog Control Officer position is technically open with no Oath of Office signed. The Town Clerk will reach out to Ronda Williams, our current Officer to make sure she still wants the position. If she agrees, the Board may reappoint her and she must sign her Oath of Office before taking over. There were no tickets passed out in 2021, though reports were sent to her indicating nonpayment's.

49) <u>Spend Highway Funds</u>

On a motion by Councilmember Denis, seconded by Councilmember Snye, the spending of Highway Funds be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers, Denis, LaLonde, Sarazen and Snye. NAYS: 0 Approved

50) **RESOLUTION NO.:** 11-03-2022

Dated: March 10, 2022

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A \$2.00 SECOND NOTICE CHARGE ON UNPAID TAXES

RESOLVED, that the Town Board of the Town of Piercefield authorizes a \$2.00 charge for a second notice to be mailed to each owner of real property in the Town of Piercefield upon which taxes remain unpaid on the tax roll, and be it further

RESOLVED, that second notices are to be mailed at the end of April before the tax collector's warrant expires, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Town Tax Collector forward a copy of this Resolution to the St. Lawrence County Treasurer.

A motion to adopt the foregoing Resolution was made by Councilmember Gina Sarazen and seconded by Councilmember Tom Snye. The following each voted in favor of the Resolution: Supervisor Neil Pickering, Councilmember Gina Sarazen, Councilmember Amy Lalonde, Councilmember Thomas Snye, and Councilmember Joe Denis. There were no NAY votes.

51) Payment of Bills

On a motion by Councilmember Snye, seconded by Councilmember Denis, the following payments be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Denis, Snye, LaLonde, Sarazen. NAYS: 0 Approved.

Abstract # 3	General Account: Vouchers # 32-11PW	\$5,928.09
Abstract # 3	Highway Account: Vouchers # 29-41	\$7,369.42

52) Approval of Supervisor and Town Clerk Monthly Reports

On a motion by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, seconded by Councilmember Amy LaLonde, the Clerk and Supervisor Monthly Reports for February 2022 be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Denis, Snye, LaLonde, Sarazen. NAYS: 0 Approved.

53) Adjournment

On a motion by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, seconded by Councilmember Amy LaLonde, the meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm. Next regular meeting Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 7:30pm.

Christielee Geiger, Town Clerk

Date Approved