

Investment Policy

Town of Piercefield

I. SCOPE

This investment policy applies to all moneys and other financial resources available for deposit and investment by the Town of Piercefield.

II. OBJECTIVES

The primary objectives of the local government's investment activities are, in priority order:

- . To conform with all applicable federal, State and other legal requirements (legality)
- . To adequately safeguard principal (safety)
- . To provide sufficient liquidity to meet all operating requirements (liquidity)
- . To obtain a reasonable rate of return (yield).

III. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

The Town board's responsibility for administration of the investment program is delegated to the Town Supervisor or designee who shall establish written procedures for the operation of the investment program consistent with these investment policies. Such procedures shall include internal controls to provide a satisfactory level of accountability based upon records incorporating the description and amounts of investments, the fund(s) for which they are held, the place(s) where kept, and other relevant information, including dates of sale or other dispositions and amounts realized. In addition, the internal control procedures shall describe the responsibilities and levels of authority for key individuals involved in the investment program.

IV. DIVERSIFICATION

It is the policy of the Town of Piercefield to diversify its deposits and investments by financial institution, by investment instrument, and by maturity scheduling.

V. INTERNAL CONTROLS

It is the policy of the Town of Piercefield for all moneys collected by any officer or employee of the government to transfer those funds to the Town Supervisor within 3 days of deposit, or within the time period specified in law, whichever is shorter.

The Town Supervisor or designee is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control procedures to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that deposits and investments are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization, properly recorded, and managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

VI. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITARIES

The banks and trust companies that are authorized for the deposits of money.

Depository Name	Address	Telephone #
Community Bank NA	Tupper Lake, New York 12986	518-359-3344

VII. SECURING DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS

All deposits and investments at a bank or trust company, including, all demand deposits, certificates of deposit and special time deposits (hereinafter, collectively, "deposits") made by officers of Town of Piercefield that are in excess of the amount insured under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act shall be secured by:

A pledge of "eligible securities" with an aggregate "market value" (as provided by the GML Section 10) that is at least equal to the aggregate amount of deposits by the officers.

VIII. COLLATERALIZATION AND SAFEKEEPING

Eligible securities used for collateralizing deposits made by officers of the Town of Piercefield shall be held by the bank or trust company subject to security and custodial agreements.

The security agreement shall provide that eligible securities are being pledged to secure such deposits together with agreed-upon interest, if any, and any costs or expenses arising out of the collection of such deposits upon a default. It shall also provide the conditions under which the securities may be sold, presented for payment, substituted or released and the events which will enable the local government to exercise its rights against the pledged securities.

The custodial agreement shall provide that pledged securities will be held by the bank or trust company as agent of, and custodian for, the Town of Piercefield, will be kept separate and apart from the general assets of the custodial bank or trust company and will not be commingled with or become part of the backing of any other deposits or other bank liability. The security and custodial agreements shall also include all other provisions necessary to provide the Town of Piercefield with a perfected security interest in the eligible securities and to otherwise secure the local government's interest in the collateral and may contain other provisions that the governing board deems necessary.

IX. PERMITTED INVESTMENTS

As provided by General Municipal Law Section 11, the Town Board authorizes the Town Supervisor, or designee to invest moneys not required for immediate expenditure for terms not to exceed it projected cash flow needs in the following types of investments:

Special time deposit accounts in, or certificates of deposit issued by, a bank or trust company located and authorized to do business in the State of New York.

All investment obligations shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the Town of Piercefield within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the moneys were provided. Time deposit accounts and certificates of deposit shall be payable within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for which the moneys were obtained and shall be secured as provided in Sections VII and VIII herein.

X. AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND DEALERS

All financial institutions with which the Town of Piercefield transacts business shall be creditworthy, and have an appropriate level of experience, capitalization, size, and other factors that make the financial institution or the dealer capable and qualified to transact business with the Town of Piercefield. The Town Supervisor or designee shall evaluate the financial position and maintain a listing of proposed depositories, trading partners, and custodians.

The Town of Piercefield shall maintain a list of financial institutions approved for investment purposes.

XI. ANNUAL REVIEW AND AMENDMENTS

The Town of Piercefield shall review this investment policy annually, and it shall have the power to amend this policy at any time.

Date: _____

Signed:

Supervisor: _____

Town Board: _____
