

58) REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF PIERCEFIELD, April 17,2025 **DRAFT**

59) Roll Call

Board Members	Present	Excused	Town Officials	Present	Excused
Supervisor Joe Denis	X		Town Clerk, Paige Phillips	X	
Councilmember Carol Dimond		X	Highway Superintendent, Jay Rust	X	
Councilmember Gina Sarazen	X				
Councilmember Angela Rust	X				
Councilmember Tom Snye	X				

Guest: Marlene Ashton

60) Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Town Supervisor Joe Denis.

61) Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Councilmember Angela Rust, seconded by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, the minutes of March 13, 2025 as presented by the Town Clerk be approved. AYES: Town Supervisor Denis, Councilmembers Snye, Sarazen, Rust. NAYS: 0

62) Monies Received

Refuse & Garbage	\$0.00
Insurance Recovery	\$330.32
Transportation Services	\$7,258.43
Fines, Forfeits,of Bail	\$0.00
Interest&Earnings	\$0.00

Privilege of Floor

63) Marlene Ashton

Marlene Ashton shared a draft with the Board that she intends to submit to the local newspaper. Supervisor Denis inquired about the availability of home health services in neighboring towns. Marlene expressed her belief that no nearby areas currently offer such services. She is focused on securing state and federal funding to advocate for this cause and ensure that seniors in our community receive the care they need. Marlene has asked the Board to adopt a resolution expressing concern over the absence of public healthcare in the Town of Piercefield. She intends to forward this resolution, along with her petition, to the Chairman of St. Lawrence County, as well as to all Senators and Assembly. Supervisor Denis will consult with Town Attorney Kirk Gagnier for guidance on the next steps regarding the resolution.

64) Highway Report

Highway Superintendent Jay Rust reported there had been 4 water line breaks throughout the month. All water lines have been repaired with stainless steel and brass. The Highway Department started sweeping the main roads in Piercefield. Also, the Gull Pond Road and Racquette Flow Road have all been graded.

Old Business

65) Youth Center Updates

The Youth Center has received a new ceiling, updated lighting, and fresh paint. Jay has confirmed that everything is ready for the opening. Councilmember Gina Sarazen inquired about the necessity of purchasing new heaters. For the time being, the existing heaters will stay as they are functioning properly.

66) Playground

Councilmember Gina Sarazen has noted a rise in litter at the playground. Additionally, the newly acquired equipment has either been damaged or rendered unusable. Board members engaged in a discussion about issuing a notice to residents, reminding them that the playground will be monitored and that any damage will be reported.

67) Summer Help

Councilmember Gina Sarazen inquired whether Jay intends to employ someone for mowing duties this summer. If the budget permits, he would like to hire an individual for 10 to 40 hours per week. The summer hire would typically work close to 40 hours when Conifer and Mt Arab need to be mowed which is twice a year.

New Business

68)

Mowing Contract

RESOLUTION NO. 04-10-2025

DATED: April 17, 2025

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

MOWING CONTRACT WITH THE TOWN OF PIERCEFIELD

This contract made the 17th day of April 2025 by and between the Town of Piercefield hereinafter called the "Town" and St. Lawrence County Highway Department, hereinafter called the "County".

ARTICLE 1 - SCOPE OF WORK

The Town shall furnish all of the equipment and perform all of the work described in the Project Specifications attached.

ARTICLE 2 - TIME OF COMPLETION

The work to be performed under this contract shall be commenced within ten days after receipt of "Notice to Proceed" and shall be completed by September 15,2025.

ARTICLE 3 - THE CONTRACT SUM

The County shall pay the Town for performance of the Contract in current funds at the rate of \$320.00 per mile for 2.35 miles equaling Seven hundred fifty two (\$778.32) upon completion of the work and submission of a properly certified invoice.

Upon receipt of notice that the work is ready for final inspection and acceptance, the County will promptly make such inspection, and when it finds the work acceptable under the contract and the contract fully performed, it shall promptly approve payment for the entire amount due the Town.

The making and acceptance of the final payment shall constitute a waiver of all claims by the County, except those arising from unsettled liens, from faulty work appearing after payment or from requirements of the specifications, and of all claims by the Town except those previously made and still unsettled.

69)

RESOLUTION NO. 11-04-2025

DATED: April 17,2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF MONEY IN THE 2025 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Town of Piercefield needs to transfer money in the 2025 Budget because of increased expenditures,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following transfers be made in the 2025 budget:

General Fund						
Increase:	Description	Amount		Decrease:	Description	Amount
19204.01	Dues	\$599.00		19904.01	Contingency	\$614.50
31204.01	BCO Expense	\$15.50				
	Total	\$614.50			Total	\$614.50

On a motion by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, seconded by Councilmember Angela Rust, resolution #04 be approved.: AYES: Supervisor Denis, Councilmembers, Snye, Rust, Sarazen. NAYS: 0 Approved.

70)

Approval of Town Clerk Monthly Reports

On a motion by Councilmember Angela Rust, seconded by Councilmember Gina Sarazen the Clerk Reports for March 2025 be approved: AYES: Supervisor Denis, Councilmembers, Snye,Rust, Sarazen. NAYS: 0

71)

Payment of Bills

On a motion by Councilmember Thomas Snye, seconded by Councilmember Gina Sarazen the following payments be approved AYES: Supervisor Denis, Councilmembers Snye, Rust, and Sarazen NAYS: 0

General Fund:	\$17,494.66
Highway Fund:	\$41,226.47
Lighting District	\$422.71
Conifer Water:	\$830.21
Piercefield Water:	\$2,479.79
Trust and Agency	\$8,778.33
Total	\$71,232.17

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72) Adjournment
On a motion by Town Supervisor Joe Denis, seconded by Councilmember Gina Sarazen the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm. Next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, May 8, 2025 at 7:00pm.

Paige Phillips, Town Clerk

Date Approved