

- 33) REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF PIERCEFIELD, February 13, 2020
- 34) A regular board meeting of the Town of Piercefield was held on February 13, 2020 at 7:30 PM at the Piercefield Town Hall with the following members present:
 Supervisor Neil Pickering
 Councilman Larry Boeye
 Councilman John Lewis
 Councilwoman Amy Lalonde
 Councilwoman Gina Sarazen
 OTHERS PRESENT: Town Clerk Donald Mauer, Assessor/CEO Flora McCuen, Stanley Lewis

35) Pledge of Allegiance
 The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Neil Pickering.

36) Approval of Minutes
 On a motion by Supervisor Pickering, seconded by Councilman Lewis, the minutes of January 9, 2020 as presented by the Town Clerk be approved with the following corrections: Item 28) Dollar amounts were not part of the Councilman Boeye motion: Item 30) Highways dollar amount should be \$10,905.75: Items 30) and 31) AYES should be Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Boeye, Lalonde, Lewis, Sarazen:
 AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Lewis, Lalonde, Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0
 Approved with corrections.

37) Monies Received

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| <u>General</u> | |
| Transfer Station Fees | \$1,809.00 |
| Dog Control Fees | \$3.50 |
| Licenses and permits | \$55.00 |
| Unclassified Revenues | \$.50 |
| Fines and Forfeited Bail | \$70.00 |
| <u>Highway</u> | |

Privilege of Floor

38) Highway
 The Highway crew has been actively plowing, sanding, cutting snow pack, pushing back snow banks on all roads and parking areas, put rear springs and new clutch in 2010 plow truck in addition to routine maintenance on all equipment, installed culvert and filled in where two others had settled on Mt. Arab road, located and repaired a water main leak in Piercefield. The 2012 F250 needs a new exhaust manifold. Fumes are intolerable inside the truck. On a motion by Supervisor Pickering, seconded by Councilman Boeye, the amount of \$1,339.12 be approved per the quote by High Peaks Ford of Ray Brook, NY: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Lewis, Lalonde, Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved. Additional repairs will also be required.

39) Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) and Assessor Reports

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| Feb 10, 2020 | |
| 1/6/2020 | Delivered Building Permit Application to Jeff Denis |
| 1/6/2020 | Inspected what was already being built (garage) by Jeff Denis |
| 1/15/2020 | Went to assessors' meeting and class in Canton 85 miles |
| 1/27/2020 | Processed 4 property transfers |

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Old Business

40) Complaint Form for Code Enforcement/Property Maintenance

The new form is up on the Website (www.piercefield.org) for public access.

41) Roof Leak

It appears the leak was coming from the cupola, which was not part of the recent roof contract. Subsequent rains have not shown additional leaking. Cupola work will need to be done at some time anyway.

42) Transfer Station

There is some disagreement over payment from some residents who use bags other than 30 gallon bags. Town Clerk Don Mauer will specify on the Rates Sheet that the fee is \$3.00 for all bags up to 30 Gallons, so there will be no confusion over smaller bags.

43) Highway Safety Coordinator

Highway Superintendent Jay Rust was paid as Safety Coordinator in January 2020 for 2019. Last month's resolution indicated payment would be in December for each year, but that would mean two payments in 2020. On a motion by Supervisor Pickering, seconded by Councilman Lewis, the Highway Safety Coordinator be paid each January for the previous year: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Lewis, Lalonde, Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved.

44) CEO Conference

The cost of the four day Conference in Lake Placid is \$325. Lodging per night is \$108. Sessions are approximately 8:00am to 5:00pm daily, and some additional evening activity. Mileage reimbursement, plus \$50 daily allotment for meals (provided) would nearly offset cost of lodging. CEO Flora McCuen has never put in vouchers for such expenses. On a motion by Supervisor Pickering, seconded by Councilman Lewis, the cost of the Conference plus lodging be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Lewis, Sarazen: NAYS: Councilpersons Lalonde, Boeye Approved.

45) Vacancies

The Board of Assessment Review and Town Historian positions remain vacant. These positions are paid a nominal salary. Interested persons should contact Supervisor Pickering or any Board Member.

New Business

46) Town Board Audit and Approval of Town Books

On a motion by Councilman Lewis, seconded by Councilwoman Amy Lalonde, the Town Books be audited and approved. AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Lewis, Lalonde, Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved.

47) SLC Highways Holding Harmless Resolution

On a motion by Councilman Lewis, seconded by Councilman Boeye, the following resolution be adopted: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Lewis, Lalonde, Boeye, Sarazen. NAYS: 0 Adopted.

RESOLUTION NO.: 10-02-2020

DATED: February 13, 2020

HOLDING HARMLESS ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FOR PROVIDING SERVICE FOR PIERCEFIELD

WHEREAS, the Town of Piercefield is desirous of St. Lawrence County Department of Highways providing shared services such as paving, shoulder widening, signage, road stripping, blasting and other routine maintenance activities to the Town, and

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WHEREAS, both the Town of Piercefield and the County of St. Lawrence are desirous of promoting partnering efforts for the safety of the traveling public in St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, in this joint cooperative endeavor, the Town of Piercefield and the County of St. Lawrence desire to be reimbursed for their expenditures, and

WHEREAS, the Town is aware that the County may incur liability in the providing of the services and wishes to indemnify the County in this regard, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that to the fullest extent permitted by law, the Town of Piercefield will indemnify and hold harmless the County, their officers, directors, partners, representatives, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims, suits, liens, judgments, damages, losses and expenses, including legal fees, and all court costs and liability (including statutory liability), arising in whole or in part and in any manner from injury and/or death of person or damage to, or loss of any property relating to or arising out of any negligent or intentional acts and/or omissions of the Town of Piercefield or any of its directors, officers, employees, contractors, representatives, or agents, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the following request for General Liability (GL) coverage is as follows:

General Liability Insurance, on an "Occurrence" basis, with the following limits:

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| \$1,000,000 | Each Occurrence |
| \$3,000,000 | General Aggregate |
| \$1,000,000 | Products Aggregate |
| \$1,000,000 | Personal Injury |
| \$50,000 | Fire Damage Legal Liability |
| \$5,000 | Medical Payment Expense, and be it further |

RESOLVED, that St. Lawrence County shall be an additional insured on the GL Policy, via ISO endorsement CG 2026.

48) Spend Highway Funds

On a motion by Councilman Boeye, seconded by Councilman Lewis, the spending of Highway funds be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Lewis, Lalonde, Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved.

49) Dog Control

Supervisor Pickering received a satisfactory report from Ag&Mkts with regard to the Dog Control program in Piercefield, the first in a very long time.

50) Phones

On a motion by Councilman Boeye, seconded by Councilwoman Amy Lalonde, all phones to be put on Slic Basic plan, to see if significant savings results, on Supervisor Pickering recommendation: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Lewis, Lalonde, Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved.

51) Payment of Bills

On a motion by Councilman Lewis, seconded by Councilwoman Sarazen, the following payments be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Boeye, Lewis, Lalonde, Sarazen. NAYS: 0 Approved.

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| Abstract # 2 | General Account: Vouchers # 25-9PW | \$5,376.20 |
| Abstract # 2 | Highway Account: Vouchers # 28-52 | \$17,025.76 |

52) Approval of Supervisor and Town Clerk Monthly Reports

On a motion by Councilman Boeye, seconded by Councilwoman Amy Lalonde, the Clerk and Supervisor Monthly Reports for January 2020 be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilpersons Boeye, Lewis, Lalonde Sarazen. NAYS: 0 Approved.

53) Adjournment

On a motion by Councilman Boeye, seconded by Councilman Lewis, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm. Next regular meeting Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 7:30pm.