

- 69) REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF PIERCEFIELD, May 14, 2020 **DRAFT**
- 70) A regular board meeting of the Town of Piercefield was held on May 14, 2020 at 7:30 PM at the Piercefield Town Hall with the following members present:
 Supervisor Neil Pickering
 Councilmember Gina Sarazen
 Councilmember Larry Boeye
 ABSENT: Councilmembers John Lewis, Amy Lalonde
 OTHERS PRESENT: Town Clerk Donald Mauer, Highway Superintendent Jay Rust

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

- 72) Approval of Minutes, previous month
 On a motion by Councilmember Boeye, seconded by Supervisor Pickering, the minutes of March 12, 2020 as presented by the Town Clerk be approved with the following correction: Item 64) Highway amount should be \$20,804.63: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers, Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved with correction.

- 73) Approval of Minutes
 On a motion by Councilmember Boeye, seconded by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, the minutes of April 9, 2020 as presented by the Town Clerk be approved.: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved.

- 74) Monies Received, March
General
 Transfer Station Fees \$1,206.00
Highway

- 75) Monies Received, April
General
 Transfer Station Fees \$1,956.00
 Licenses and permits \$177.50
 Vital Stats \$60.00
Highway

Privilege of Floor

- 76) Highway
 Repairs to Cat Loader and Pickup are complete except for alignment and inspection on the pickup. Road sweeping is nearly complete. Improvements are being made to the dump road. Raking was done on Gull Pond and Flow Roads, now raking Massawepie Road. Expecting \$36K Chips reimbursement from last year, but \$47K expected for this year is unknown due to Covid-19 impact on State finances. Money is available for work on water mains, so crew will start on that. Rotting cedar posts will be pulled, but new ones not purchased yet. Parks flags have been replaced.
- 77) Code Enforcement Officer (CEO) and Assessor Reports
 One complaint involving junk resolved. Took care of a call received on collection of garbage.

Old Business

New Business

- 78) Cemetery Funding
 According to Ruth McWilliams, a decedent for whom she was trustee left monies to the Rock Charitable Fund. This fund is dedicated to maintaining and preserving places of historical significance in St. Lawrence

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County, including cemeteries. Supervisor Pickering will apply for \$2,000 to cover maintenance costs of Piercefield cemeteries.

79) Town Finances

The most recent Sales Tax was from December, January, and February, so not a true indication of Covid-19 impact. Some cost reductions can be made now, i.e., summer landscaping (\$4,500 last year), and fall youth program (\$5,000). On a motion by Supervisor Pickering, seconded by Councilmember Boeye, the Transfer Station be closed Sundays, effective immediately: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved. Supervisor Pickering will discuss possible Bond payment deferments with the bank, and negotiate with ROOST for a reduction there. Museum costs last year were \$1,125. Discretionary expenses should also be curtailed. Discussion s of employee layoffs would be a last resort.

80) Elections

June 23 is Primary Election day for Presidential, State and Local. The Piercefield Town Hall will be open as a polling place. Registered voters are being sent applications for absentee ballots that they can fill out and return to the County Board of Elections if they prefer not to vote in person at the Town Hall. Absentee ballots will then be provided to them by the County which may then be return mailed by June 23.

81) Payment of Bills, March

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

Abstract # 4	General Account: Vouchers # 56-17PW	\$3,031.44
Abstract # 4	Highway Account: Vouchers # 74-89	\$9,788.60

82) Payment of Bills, April

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

Abstract # 5	General Account: Vouchers # 65-24PW	\$5,738.88
Abstract # 5	Highway Account: Vouchers # 90-100	\$14,940.77

83) Approval of Supervisor and Town Clerk Monthly Reports, March

On a motion by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, seconded by Councilmember Boeye, the Clerk and Supervisor Monthly Reports for March 2020 be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved.

84) Approval of Supervisor and Town Clerk Monthly Reports, April

On a motion by Councilmember Boeye, seconded by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, the Clerk and Supervisor Monthly Reports for April 2020 be approved: AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Boeye. NAYS: 0 Approved.

85) Adjournment

On a motion by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, seconded by Councilmember Boeye, the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm. Next regular meeting Thursday, June 11, 2020 at 7:30pm.

Donald G. Mauer, Town Clerk

Date Approved