

- 139) REGULAR BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF PIERCEFIELD, September 15, 2022,
- 140) A regular board meeting of the Town of Piercefield was held on September 15, 2022 at 7:30 PM at the Piercefield Town Hall with the following members present:
 Supervisor Neil Pickering
 Councilmember Gina Sarazen
 Councilmember Joe Denis via telephone
 Councilmember Carol Dimond
 OTHERS PRESENT: Town Clerk Christielee Geiger, Deputy Town Clerk Paige Phillips, Mt Arab Resident Loren Bailey, Town Assessor Flora McCuen, Piercefield Resident Zachary Hoyt, Town Attorney Kirk Gagnier, **Kevin and Chris Buckley, Don Mauer, Marvin Pickering, Kevin, Nicole Pickering and their kids came in the beginning of the meeting to wish Supervisor Neil Pickering a happy retirement.

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

142) Approval of Minutes
 On a motion by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, seconded by Councilmember Carol Dimond the minutes of August 11 as presented by the Town Clerk be approved. AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Lage, Denis NAYS: 0.

143) Monies Received

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| <u>General</u> | |
| Building Permits | \$1032.00 |
| Transfer Station | \$2518.00 |

Privilege of Floor

144) Loren Bailey, resident of Eagle Craig and member of The Mount Arab Preserve Association attended tonight’s meeting to speak on the association’s behalf. First of all, he wanted to express his gratitude and congratulate Neil Pickering on his 34 years of service for the Town of Piercefield. He again, was looking for information on a paving timeline for the Mt Arab road, the window for paving is closing and the paving continues to be delayed. Supervisor Neil Pickering spoke for Superintendent Jay Rust stating that plans are in motion with the County and The Town of Piercefield is waiting for the County to set a date.

Zachary Hoyt, New Resident of Piercefield came to offer his appreciation to The Town Officials; Town Clerk Christielee Geiger, Town Assessor and Code Enforcement Officer Flora McCuen and Highway Superintendent Jay Rust for their helpfulness and warm welcome to the town.

Old Business

145) Teamster Highway Union Contract was set to be reviewed on Friday but due to illness will be rescheduled with Acting Supervisor Joe Denis sometime next week.

146) **RESOLUTION NO.: 18-09-2022** **Dated: September 15, 2022**

YOUTH CENTER AGREEMENT

WHERE AS, The Town of Piercefield Board would like to reopen the Youth Center for the 2002/23 season

WHERE AS, The Town of Piercefield Board will appoint Patty Reandeau as Youth Center Coordinator and will allow her one assistant.

WHERE AS, The Town Board has set a limited amount of 9 hours the Youth Center can operate per week.

RESOLVED, The Piercefield Town Board will open the Youth Center, under the supervision of Patty Reandeau and one assistant for the 2022/23 season for no more than 9 hours per week.

On a motion to open the Youth Center was made by Gina Sarazen, seconded by Joe Denis. All in favor to open the Youth Center. AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Dimond, Denis NAYS: 0. Therefore be it resolved.

147) The Town Board would like to appoint Patty Reandeau as Youth Center Coordinator, motion made by Supervisor Neil Pickering, seconded by Joe Denis. AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Dimond, Denis NAYS: 0..

148) The Town of Piercefield has received many interested applicants for the Assessor/ CEO positions. The Town Board will review and Supervisor Neil Pickering will make calls to confirm interests. In November, The Town Board will appoint the new Assessor and Code Enforcement Officer to take over for Flora come January.

New Business

149) RESOLUTION NO.: 09-17-2022

Dated: September 15, 2022

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING SUPERVISOR

WHEREAS, Neil Pickering put in his resignation, his last Board Meeting is September 15th, 2022 therefore we are in need of his replacement.

WHEREAS, we, the Town Board of the Town of Piercefield hereby appoint Joe Denis to replace the Supervisor Neil Pickering for the rest of his term, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that we the Town Board of the Town of Piercefield approve the appointing of Joe Denis as Acting Supervisor until the term is complete, where he can run for office 11/2023 or continue as acting Board Member.

On a motion to replace Neil Pickering’s position as Supervisor for Joe Denis made by Supervisor Neil Pickering, seconded by Gina Sarazen. All in favor to appoint Joe Denis as acting Supervisor to fill Neil’s position until next election date November 2023. AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Dimond, Denis NAYS: 0.

150) Bookkeeper Linda Pickering gave information about the Tentative Budget for The Board Members to review. She explained the new software, how the abstracts will be changing and how the new bank accounts will look and work. If any questions her email is townofpiercefield@outlook.com The Board will plan to have a Budget Workshop on September 29th at 7pm to review and make changes to the budget. The Town Clerk will post this Special Meeting in the FreePress to make the public aware.

151) RESOLUTION 09-19-2022

Dated: September 15, 2022

REAFFIRM PRIOR RESOLUTION 3 26-12-2018 TO ADVANCE PAYMENT OF UTILITIES, HEALTHCARE AND TEAMSTER.

WHEREAS, Building utilities, Healthcare and Teamster are regular monthly expenses, and

WHEREAS, Timely payment to avoid late fees does not always fall within a timeframe that permits Town Board preapproval, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Local Law, 118(2), The Town Board of The Town of Piercefield hereby authorizes the Town Clerk and the Town Bookkeeper to arrange for payment of the building utilities, healthcare and teamster invoices in advance of the regular monthly Town Board Meetings, with such claims to be presented for audit at the next regular Board Meeting.

On a motion to advance payments for utilities, healthcare and teamster expenses by Carol Dimond, seconded by Gina Sarazen. AYES: Supervisor Pickering, Councilmembers Sarazen, Dimond, Denis NAYS: 0.

152) Joe Denis, The Acting Supervisor will act as the liaison of Dump Fee Collection between the Transfer Station Attendant and the Town Clerk.

153) Board Member Carol Dimond introduced a Local Law to override the Tax Levy Limit established in General Municipal Law Section 3-c. The Town Clerk will run an ad in the FreePress to hold a Public Hearing on October 13th at 7:30pm to discuss the Tax Cap Override.

154) Payment of Bills

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

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| Abstract # 9 | General Account: | \$1,833.78 |
| Abstract # 9 | Highway Account: | \$19,384.84 |
| Abstract #9 | Lighting District | \$286.47 |
| Abstract #9 | Conifer Water | \$216.81 |
| Abstract #9 | Piercefield Water | \$3,682.63 |

155) Approval of Supervisor and Town Clerk Monthly Reports

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

156) Adjournment

On a motion by Councilmember Gina Sarazen, seconded by Councilmember Supervisor Neil Pickering, the meeting was adjourned at 9:07 pm. Next regular meeting Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 7:30pm.