

**Regular Monthly Town of Pierrepont Board Meeting, November 26, 2024**  
**County of St. Lawrence, State of New York, 864 State Highway 68, Canton, NY 13617**

**Present:**

Jane Powers, Supervisor  
Julian "Olla" Filiatrault, Town Clerk  
Robert Moulton, Highway Superintendent

**Councilpersons: Roger Murray**  
**Shawn Spellacy**  
**Chad VanBrocklin**

**Meeting attendees/Public:** Darren Richards – Code Enforcement; Amy Hunt – Assessor; Rick Perkins – Legislator. Mercy Spellacy; Jamie VanBrocklin; Calli Ellis; Tracy Charleson; Jonathon Graham.

**Regular Meeting: 6:30PM Called to order.**

Supervisor Powers opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 6:30 PM.

**Minutes Approved:**

- Minutes of Last Board Meeting, October 29, 2024. **Motion** to approve by Roger Murray, second by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**County Legislators,**

Legislator, Rick Perkins submitted report of November 4, 2024, County Legislature Board Meeting. It is available upon request.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**Supervisor, Jane Powers:**

- Supervisor Powers stated that everything looks good.
- **Motion** to approve Supervisor's report made by Shawn Spellacy, second by Roger Murray. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**Highway, Bob Moulton:**

- Bob Moulton submitted a written report of recent Highway's activities. The report is available upon request. Mr. Moulton described roadwork that has been done over the last month and the preparations for winter weather. Also, we are fully staffed now.

**Town Clerk, Olla Filiatrault:**

- Written report submitted. Available for review.  
Revenue paid to Supervisor \$387.02  
TOTAL REVENUE DISPERSED \$847.00
- **Motion** to approve report for the month of October 2024 made by Roger Murray, second by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

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**Code Enforcement, Darren Richards reported:**

- 3 Building permit issued with the **total** \$75.00 collected.
- Darren Richards stated that there is a correction by Town Clerk Filiatrault in the number of permits submitted.
- **Motion** to approve Code Enforcement Officer's report for the month of November 2024 made by Shawn Spellacy, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**Assessor, Amy Hunt:**

- Amy Hunt submitted a written report of recent Assessor's activities. The report is available upon request.
- Amy stated that all is well. She indicated that some people are applying for enhanced star exemptions. Otherwise, the normal activities.
- **Motion** to approve Assessor's report for the month of November 2024 made by Chad VanBrocklin, second by Roger Murray. No discussion. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**Planning Board Report:**

No update or report.

**Courtesy of The Floor:**

Resident Calli Ellis spoke regarding a dog attack at her home this past week. She described her concern and the killing of her rabbit(s) by a dog(s) on her property by dogs running loose. She wants the town to be aware and to see what can be done.

Roger Murray commented that she should continue to work with Don Gilbert, dog control officer, to complete paperwork and follow through on it.

Chad VanBrocklin commented that that the Town will do whatever it can to help.

Resident Tracy Charleson spoke that this has been going on for nearly two months. I have pictures of dogs at my house today. She described many instances she had heard about dogs running loose and doing damage. She voiced her displeasure with what has or has not been done by dog control and the town in general. She stated that the Sheriff's won't do anything either. Calli Ellis described that the sheriff dept. was called, and they did not want to respond. The state police showed up also with DEC. No known action by them.

Both Calli Ellis and Tracy Charleson continued voicing their concerns about the dogs running loose and doing damage in their area.

Legislator Perkins stated that he is going to bring this to the attention of the Sheriff. It is a serious issue.

Darren Richard, Code Enforcement Officer, read Code of Town of Pierrepont dog control laws and the duties of the Dog Control officer and that the dog control could seize the dog.

Supervisor Jane Powers stated that she will begin the process in the morning with Donna Gibert to do what needs to be done.

Shawn Spellacy commented that we know what needs to be done, we just need to follow our laws.

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**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- No correspondence.

*(Tracy Charleson and Calli Ellis left the meeting at 7:12pm)*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Resolution #VII-2024: Local Law to override the 2024 Tax Cap Limit**

**Motion** to approve Resolution #VII-2024 made by Roger Murray, second by Shawn Spellacy. No discussion. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**Supervisor Powers: yes**

**Councilman Murray: yes**

**Councilman Glasgow: yes**

**Councilman Spellacy: yes**

**Councilman VanBrocklin: yes**

**Vote: 5 yes, 0 no**

- **Motion** to approve budget meeting and public hearing on December 2, 2024, at 6:30pm made by Chad VanBrocklin, second by Roger Murray. No discussion. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion** to approve the date for December Board meeting is on Thursday, December 19, 2024, made by Shawn Spellacy, second by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- **Motion** to approve William Peter Whalen’s resignation as a member of Planning Board made by Roger Murray, second by Shawn Spellacy. No discussion. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:**

- None

**GENERAL FUND VOUCHERS:**

- **Motion** to approve the Vouchers of the General Fund that already have been signed made by Roger Murray, second by Shawn Spellacy. No discussion. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

**HIGHWAY FUND VOUCHERS:**

- **Motion** by Shawn Spellacy, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. None opposed. All in favor to authorize payment of the Highway Fund Abstract #11, Vouchers #265-283, Total of \$34,021.29

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Motion** made by Roger Murray, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin, with all in favor to go into **Executive Session for the purpose of the discussion of a personnel matter.**

The Board adjourned the regular meeting to move to executive session at 7:30p.m.

Invited to executive session: Darren Richards (Code Enforcement Officer); Amy Hunt (Assessor).

The Board returned from executive session at 8:30 p.m. The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

**NO Action taken in executive session.**

*A record of the executive session was made and provided to the Town Clerk by Jane Powers, Supervisor.*

**Motion** made by Shawn Spellacy, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin, all in favor to go back into the regular meeting.

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**ADJOURNMENT:**

- **Motion** to adjourn meeting at 8:30pm. Motion made by Chad VanBrocklin second by Shawn Spellacy. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting minutes prepared by Town Clerk, Julian "Olla" Filiatrault.

Respectfully Submitted, Julian "Olla" Filiatrault, Town Clerk