

Regular Monthly Town of Pierrepont Board Meeting, September 24, 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
Laurie Hance, Assist. to Supervisor

Councilpersons: Roger Murray

John Glasgow
Chad VanBrocklin
Shawn Spellacy

Meeting attendees/Public:

Mercy Spellacy; Jamie VanBrocklin; Simona Liguori; Dan Manor; Amanda and Brian Deckert.

Regular Meeting: 6:29PM Called to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes Approved:

- Supervisor Powers made a correction regarding the total of Highway Fund Abstract #8, August 27, 2024 from voucher #179-204, total \$145,072.88 to voucher #179-205, total \$398,967.26.
- Minutes of Last Board Meeting August 27, 2024. **Motion** to approve by Shawn Spellacy, second by John Glasgow. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

County Legislator Report

Legislator, Rick Perkins was not able to attend the meeting, but he submitted report of September 9, 2024, County Legislature Board Meeting. It is available upon request.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Supervisor, Jane Powers:

- Supervisor Powers stated that the August report, based on everything we are doing, still looks good. We are progressing.
- Laurie Hance added that the sales tax for that quarter came in and was little higher and that helped. 95 percent of the CHIPS funding has come in and we are only lacking the last payment. That has helped us with the damage from the flood.
- **Motion** to approve Supervisor's report made by Roger Murray, second by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Additional: Supervisor Powers read a letter from Hon. Kris Singh, District Administrative Judge Fourth Judicial District regarding Pierrepont Town Justice, Hon. Bradley Filiatrault who will serve as Town Justice in Colton Town Court effective October 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024.

Highway, Bob Moulton:

- Bob Moulton, Superintendent submitted a written report of recent Highway's activities along with the mileage report. The report is available upon request.

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- Bob Moulton reported on all the activities of the Highway department. He reported on the roads that have received continued work after the flood damage and the roads are mostly back to normal. Also, roads and sides of roads are being prepared for winter.
- **Motion** to approve Highway Superintendent’s report made by Shawn Spellacy, second by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously

Town Clerk, Olla Filiatrault:

- Written report submitted. Available for review.
Revenue paid to Supervisor \$284.77
Ag & Markets (spay/neuter program) \$12.00
NYS Environmental Conservation \$150.23
TOTAL REVENUE DISPERSED \$ \$447.00
- **Motion** to approve report for the month of August 2024 made by Roger Murray, second by John Glasgow. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement, Darren Richards reported:

- Darren Richards was not able to attend the meeting.
- 4 Building permit issued with the **total** \$100.00 collected.
- **Motion** to approve Code Enforcement Officer’s report made by Shawn Spellacy, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Assessor, Amy Hunt:

- Amy Hunt, Assessor was not able to attend the meeting but she submitted a written report of recent Assessor's activities. The report is available upon request.

Planning Board Report:

No report.

Courtesy of The Floor:

- Simona Liguori, resident, questioned if there is any update on the Underhill Drive case. Highway Superintendent Moulton, responded that he had not heard from any attorney yet regarding the issue.
- Amanda Deckert, resident, questioned if we are only waiting to hear from The NYMIR insurance attorney. Laurie Hance indicated, yes, the insurance attorney. Amanda and Brian Deckert also questioned if their project was being included in the budget for next year. Bob Moulton stated he is looking at next year’s budget and beginning to put numbers to different scenarios. Amanda and Brian questioned how the budget process works. Laurie Hance and Bob Moulton gave explanations of how the process works.

Simona Liguori left the meeting at 6:58

The Deckerts left the meeting at 6:59

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Town of Pierrepont’s Fiscal Stress Score. Supervisor Powers stated that we have no fiscal stress reported.

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NEW BUSINESS:

- **Motion** to reappoint Anna Green as BAR member for year 2024-2029 made by John Glasgow, second by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- JCAP- Court Grant.
Laurie Hance, Court Clerk explained that it's the same process as we do nearly every year.

Resolution #VI-2024: AUTHORIZATION OF PIERREPONT TOWN COURT TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO JUSTICE COURT ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM 2024-2025 Cycle

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 Resolution #VI-2024 made by John Glasgow, second by Roger Murray. No discussion. All voted to approve. None Opposed. Motion carried.

- Letter of support for North Star Health Alliance. Laurie Hance stated what the letter of support would mean to Pierrepont residents regarding a possible new ambulance service.
Shawn Spellacy indicated that he was in support of more ambulance service. The more, the better.
Councilman Murray requested to get more information regarding the application, specifically, about where the ambulance service is going to be located in the future. How many paramedics, etc.? Much discussion was held regarding the issue. Jane Powers indicated that she would need to be the one to sign the letter with a notation that more details are requested.
Motion to approve Town Supervisor to sign the letter made by John Glasgow, second by Shawn Spellacy. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

- **Motion** to approve to continue the regular Town Board monthly meetings at 6:30p.m made by Chad VanBrocklin, second by Shawn Spellacy. No discussion. All voted to approve. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- Annual Local Government Conference on October 15, 2024. The Town Clerk is willing to sign up for everybody who would like to attend the Conference.
- Laurie Hance, Court Clerk received the Certificate of Completion Continuing Clerk Education Program for year 2024.
- Streetlight update by Councilmen Roger Murray. He stated that he got a work order number from them, but he has not heard anything back from them since. Bob Moulton offered to check on it, if possible.

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GENERAL FUND TRANSFERS:

Motion by John Glasgow, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. All approved. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously, to make the following General Fund Transfers:

- \$1,000.00 from A1990.4 Contingency to Central Data Processing A1680.4
- \$2,200.00 from A1190.4 Contingency to Traffic Control A3310.4
- \$10,000.00 from A9010.8 Retirement to Health & Hospital A9060.8
- \$250.00 from A1920.4 Municipal Associate Dues to Narcotic Control CE A4220.4

GENERAL FUND VOUCHERS:

- **Motion** by Roger Murray, seconded by Shawn Spellacy. No discussion. None opposed. All in favor to authorize payment of the General Fund Abstract #9, Vouchers #261-283, Total of \$136,121.53.

HIGHWAY FUND VOUCHERS:

- **Motion** by John Glasgow, seconded by Chad VanBrocklin. No discussion. None opposed. All in favor to authorize payment of the Highway Fund Abstract #9, Vouchers #206-238, Total of \$293,598.55.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion made by Shawn Spellacy, 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 7:25p.m.

Invited to executive session: Lauri Hance, Admin and Bob Moulton, Highway Superintendent.

The Board returned from executive session at 8:20 p.m. The regular meeting was reconvened at 8:20 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 John Glasgow, seconded by Shawn Spellacy, all in favor to go back into the regular meeting. Action taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT:

- **Motion** to adjourn meeting at 8:21 pm. Motion made by Chad VanBrocklin, second by Roger Murray. 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

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