

PIERSON TOWNSHIP
Board Meeting Minutes

21156 W. Cannonsville Rd, Pierson, MI 49339

August 17, 2026

7:00 pm

A. Meeting

1. Call to order: 7:00 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call Present: Maioho, Bergman, Burkholder, Orcutt, Sower

B. Meeting Agenda

Motion: Sower

Second: Bergman

Aye: all

- C. Consent Agenda: Approval of Meeting Minutes from Special Meeting on July 27, 2026; Register of Warrants/Checks/Payroll dated July 14- August 12, 2026; Budget Amendment JE 3588 for changes to the Fire Fund for new contract and expenses; Check register: July 1-31, 2026; Invoices to be paid from the Gen Fund: Inv. 120634 to Siegfried Crandal for \$300 101-101-821.000; Inv. 334972 to Apex Software for \$572.00 101-257-810.002; Inv. 092246 to Spectrum Printers for \$651.59 101-262-727.000; Inv. 092781 to Spectrum Printers for \$105.00 101-262-727.000; Invoice 1991 for Seal Coat on Hillis Road and West Shore Drive from TIRF Account to the Road Commission for \$12,727.60 446-446-818.00; Invoice 5201 to Clear Water Lake Management for \$5,050 from the Little Whitefish Lake Weed Fund; Treasurer's Report; Correspondence; Assessor's Activity Report; Howard City Fire Report; Sewer Check register for July 1-31, 2026 BWL/LWL; Accounts Payable Report: July 14- August 12, 2026; Payable from the BWL/LWL Sewer Accounts: FVO Invoice 9737 for \$7,139.43 from BWL fund 590; \$1,385.63 from LWL 592; Treatment site of \$4,737.56 charged at 60/40.

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved under one blanket motion.

Motion: Bergman

Second: Sower

Aye: all

D. Public Comments

E. New Business:

1. Public Hearing for PIF Machine & Fabrication Industrial Facilities Tax-Exempt Request at September 21 Board Meeting.

Motion: Sower

Second: Bergman

Aye: all

2. Supervisor to explore resources for a (Pierson Twp) Building Department (for next fiscal).

Motion: Burkholder

Second: Bergman

Aye: all

3. Resolution #1 2026-12 Special Assessment District for Fire Capital and Services.

Offered by: Burkholder

Second: Orcutt

Aye: Maioho, Bergman, Burkholder, Orcutt, Sower Nay: none

F. Open Items

1. Committee Updates:
 - a. **Road Committee** – no meeting scheduled

Pierson Township meetings may be recorded.

- b. **Planning Commission:** Next Meeting: August 27, 2026 at 7 pm – includes two public hearings for proposed text amendments:
 - i. Public Hearing: Repeal Section 4.35 – Trash, litter or Junk
 - ii. Public Hearing for the Prohibition of Marihuana Facilities/Establishments
- c. **Parks & Recreation:** no meeting in August
 - i. Trash
 - ii. Ellie Newsome Resignation: Thank you to Ellie Newsome for all her hard work as part of the Parks & Recreation committee and her dedication in creating the Pierson Township Community Park!
- d. Sewer Authority Committee (SAC)- Next meeting: TBD
 - i. North site flow meter installation – awaiting end of season reduced flow.
 - ii. Survey, fence & signage for treatment site
- G. Public Comments: Ed Sternisha candidate for Judge and Dayna Neff of Montcalm Economic Alliance spoke to residents. Those in attendance asked questions about the special assessment (how applied to taxpayers, why two districts, and the dividing line). ** a mailer will be sent to all residents and all are encouraged to bring questions to the public hearing on Sept 21st.*
- H. County Commissioner – Nate Alexander shared the county grant program has opened for applications (sewer fencing). He also shared the Road Commission Board has approved four-way stop signs at West Co. Line Rd/Newcosta Rd and Kendaville Roads (where Montcalm and Newaygo Counties meet) and are awaiting signage delivery to install. Thank you to Montcalm County Road Commission!
- I. Announcements and Board Comments: As a reminder, the Township does not do business on social media. Please attend meetings or reach out to a Board member with questions and concerns! Phone and emails are listed on the office doors and the website: www.piersontwp.org
- J. Adjournment: 8:11 pm
 - Motion: Sower
 - Second: Bergman
 - Aye: all