

PIERSON TOWNSHIP
Board Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2019

7:00 pm

A. Meeting

1. Call to order: 7:02 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Invocation: Pastor Jorge Ballivian
4. Roll Call :

Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

B. Approval of Meeting Agenda.

Motion: Burkholder

2nd: Scheuermann Roll Call Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

C. Consent Agenda

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

Motion: Burkholder

2nd: VanTil Roll Call Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

D. Presentation of Accounts

1. Treasurers Report

Motion: Gould

2nd: Burkholder Roll Call Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

E. Correspondence

- Montcalm Charter MTA next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 10, and will be hosted by Evergreen and Bushnell Townships. This meeting will be hosted by the Montcalm County Road Commission, so they will be paying for all the elected officials from each township to attend. The meeting will be located at the American Legion Hall in Stanton.
- EDA 20202 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Programs
- Montcalm Economic Alliance fundraiser (Economic Growth) * **Consideration for December 10, 2019 meeting.**

F. Guest Speakers

- Jerry Poisson: Winslow park access request.

Motion to table for further discussion between [Trustee Scheuermann] me and one other Parks & Recreation member.

Motion: Scheuermann

2nd: Burkholder Roll Call Aye: none Nay: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

G. Public Comments (*brief*)

H. New Business:

1. Schedule of Meetings for 2020 will be changing to the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm. (January 21, February 18, March 17, April 21, May 19, June 16, July 21, August 18, September 15, October 20, November 17, and December 15, 2020).

Motion: Burkholder

2nd: VanTil

Roll Call Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

2. Snowplowing Contract 2019-2020 at the same rate as 2018.

Motion: Burkholder

2nd: Hyrns

Roll Call Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

I. Open Items:

1. Dispute Update: Little Whitefish Lake Association

2. Planning Commission: Master Plan

- Resolution 2019-20 Authorization to Planning Commission to prepare Master Plan.

Motion: Burkholder

2nd: Gould

Roll Call Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

- Public Hearing to Review Draft: Thursday, November 21, 2019 at 7 pm after the Planning Commission Master Plan Meeting at 6 pm at the Township Hall.

- Lisa Vargaz Elburn is no longer on the Planning Commission for Master Planning.

3. Jay Bassett Land Donation

4. Zoning Administrator position [will] hold office hours at minimum of 2 hours on Tuesdays and at minimum 2 hours on evenings or weekends to be available to the Assessor and the public.

Motion: Burkholder

2nd: Gould

Roll Call: Aye: Gould, Hyrns, Burkholder Nay: VanTil, Scheuermann

J. Committee Reports:

- Planning Committee

- Master Plan Meetings: November 7 & 21 at 6 pm

- Master Plan Public Meeting: November 21, 2019 Draft Review at 7 pm

- Lisa Vargaz Elburn no longer on the Planning Committee for Master Planning.

- Zoning Board of Appeals

- Sewer Advisory Committee –Sandy Raines to schedule.

- Montcalm County Commissioners Meeting: November 18, 2019 at 6:00 pm

- Solid Waste Committee – No meeting scheduled.

- Road Committee – Scheuermann Road Report.

- Nelson Township & Reynolds Township Joint Ventures

- 2020 Local Road Program – Annual Meeting Wed., December 18, 2019 at 2 pm

- County Commissioner – ~~Tom Porter~~ Tony Sorensen
 - Tom Porter resigned from his position and Tony Sorensen was appointed at the October 28, 2019 Montcalm County Commissioner’s meeting.
 - Two millages were approved by the Commissioners; Sherriff’s office and librarians, for the March 10, 2020 ballot.
 - Tony can be reached at tsorensen@montcalm.us or by cell at 616-984-2371. He looks forward to serving the community.
- Election Committee:
 - Presidential Primary will be March 10, 2020 and State Primary (State, County and Local positions on August 4, 2020, General Election November 3, 2020). *An additional election may be added (May 5, 2019).*
- Board of Review: December 10, 2019 from 2-3 pm
- Parks & Recreation Meeting –Now meeting quarterly: January 16, 2020 at 5 pm
 - Approve the bid from Dean’s Excavating for 2 yards of crushed concrete to be delivered and spread for a total of \$700 from GL 101-751-930.003 in the amount of \$700.

Motion: Gould

2nd: Hyrns

Roll Call: Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

K. Public Comments

L. Announcements and Board Comments

- **Pierson Township Holiday Bazaar: Saturday, November 23, 2019 from 9 am to 4pm.** - Break into the Holiday Season! Support local vendors and businesses. Township Hall 21156 W. Cannonsville Rd, Pierson, MI.

[Supervisor] to purchase computer for Assessor from \$580 from Building & Grounds fund [GL] and the remaining amount estimated at \$1,200 from the Assessors Supply [GL] with consideration of Assessor’s supply budget.

Motion: VanTil

2nd: Scheuermann

Roll Call: Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

M. Adjournment: 9:04 pm

Motion: Scheuermann

2nd: VanTil

Roll Call: Aye: Gould, Hyrns, VanTil, Burkholder, Scheuermann

PIERSON TOWNSHIP
Consent Agenda
November 12, 2019

For Approval:

- Pierson Township Board Meeting Minutes from October 8, 2019.
- Pierson Township Special Meeting Minutes from October 17, 2019.
- **Budget Amendments:**

BA 868 Planning Commission Budget Amendments

➤ **Consideration of bills:**

a. Register of Warrants/Checks dated October 8, 2019 – November 12, 2019

b. Invoices to be paid from the General Fund:

24714	Mika Meyers	\$1,339.50	LWL SAD/Bassett/Zoning
126462	BS&A	\$841.00	Tax System Annual Fee
627	Montcalm County Road Commission	\$16,478.00	Limestone/Cannonsville/Bass Lk

c. Big Whitefish Account

18226 \$19,400.00 Prepayment of 2020 Season Treatments (3% discount)

➤ **Assessor's Activity Report**

Update name & address files (corrections/changes): 5, record cards (realtors) 14, return calls (various issues) 6, in person meetings (various issues) 9, end of month delivery of PTA data, review and enter PTA (property transfer affidavits) 12, review and enter PRE (principle resident exemptions) 13, Land division application reviews 3, legal description/deed reviews (in person) 3, letters regarding PRE/PRE Rescind 1, email correspondence various issues, field work of new construction and update photos/input data 6 and special meeting requested by land owner to combine property before LWL district was finalized.

- **Zoning Report** – Verbal: 3 home permits and 2 pole barn permits were issued.

PIERSON TOWNSHIP
Minute Take-Aways

November 12, 2019

➤ **BWL & LWL Dispute:**

Dan Buyze expressed concerns about the pending retirement of Sandy Raines, Drain Commissioner and how the new leadership could change day to day functions including payments.

Clerk to meet with County Commissioner Carr and Controller Bob Clingenpeel (or Commissioner Tony Sorensen) to discuss the county's plans for the changes coming.

➤ **Board Comments:**

➤ **Treasurer Hyrns:** Carpet in the meeting room is in bad condition.

○ Supervisor VanTil to obtain bids for carpet replacement for meeting room at the township hall, for the next budget year.

○ Clerk to tape any areas of concern before the Holiday Bazaar.

➤ **Clerk Burkholder:** building is also needing painting.

○ Clerk to obtain bids for interior painting for next budget year.

➤ **Complete 2020 calendar for Committees.**

➤ **Update PFAS on website**

➤ **Update Public Safety contacts on website**