PIERSON TOWNSHIP
Board Meeting Minutes

21156 W. Cannonsville Rd, Pierson, MI 49339
November 9, 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 Absent: Sower

B. Meeting Agenda
   Motion: Bergman Second: Orcutt Aye: all

C. Consent Agenda: Approval of Meeting Minutes from October 19, 2026; Election Commission Meeting Minutes from October 13, 2026 as amended (name correction); Register of Warrants/Checks/Payroll dated October 14- November 5, 2026; Check register: October 1-31, 2026; Gen Fund Invoices: 2026 Drain at Large $1,605.45 101-265-801.000 Herren Drain 1&2 At Large; 8806 Hart Intercivic $804.00 101-262-810.001 License & renewal support; 22770 Digital Office Machines $83.58 101-253-810.000 Tax program support fee; 094694 Spectrum Printers $210.00 101-262-727.000 Election supplies; 2264 Fresh Coast $3,184.69 101-101-821.000 PC Mtg attendance & retainer; 411476 View Newspaper $601.05 101-701-900.001 PC Ordinance Publishing; 956206 Foster Swift $372.00 101-101-803.001 Kropf/Rowland Appeal; 956205 Foster Swift $137.50 101-101-803.000 Moratorium/PC; Dec-May Aqua-Flow Water $60.00 101-265-926.000 Water cooler rental; Fire Fund Invoices: 411476 View Newspaper $418.45 206-336-900.002 SAD Publishing; 956205 Foster Swift $1,194.00 206-336-803.002 SAD 4; SAD Non-Statutory Wages $1,500 206-336-703-009 Clerk; SAD Non-Statutory Wages $1,500 206-336-703-010 Treasurer; 110126 Village of Howard City $2,419.87 206-336-819.005 Mo. fire contract pmt; LWL Debt Fund – Inv Dec 2026 $5,928.00 592-906-993.000 Interest pmt; Treasurer's Report; Correspondence; Assessor's Activity Report; Fire Reports Sand Lake Fire Dept and HCFD; Sewer Check register for October 1-31, 2026 BWL/LWL; Accounts Payable Report: October 14- November 5, 2026.

   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: Orcutt Aye: all

D. Public Comments

E. New Business:
   1. Fire Committee full time member Mason Morey and alternate member Frank Dietz.
      Motion: Orcutt Second: Bergman Aye: all

   2. Blight Ordinance and Enforcement Agreement – set public hearing for first of the year (next schedule to be set at December 14th meeting).

F. Open Items
   1. Great Lakes Energy Franchise Resolution 2026-17 (15 year with three renewals of five years)
      Motion: Burkholder Second: Orcutt
      Aye: Maioho, Bergman, Burkholder, Orcutt Sower Absent

   2. Cleaning Company Bid from Virginia (Ginny) Pennington for (monthly) cleaning (of the township hall & offices).
      Motion: Burkholder Second: Orcutt Aye: all

3. Industrial District and PA 198 Request Public Hearings on December 14.
4. Building Department (local) & Zoning – no action
5. Committee Updates:
    a. **Road Committee** – meeting to be scheduled for December.
    b. **Planning Commission**: Next Meeting: December 3, 2026 at 7 pm
    c. **Parks & Recreation**: Meeting TBD
        i. Holiday Event – Saturday, December 5 from 10-3 pm
    d. **Sewer Authority Committee (SAC)-** Meeting to be determined
        i. Discussing a hold and regroup on the Capital Fundraising Plan.
        ii. Investigating costs on influent tank
        iii. Survey, fence & signage for treatment site – grant application denied.

G. Public Comments - Jerry Rohen strongly recommends the Board adopt a Resolution opposing the Transmission Wires Project (Montcalm and Belvidere have signed). Jan Cornielus is pleased to see work on a Moratorium, and asked if the Planning Commission would have input before board approvals. Additionally, reminded the board of her request to accept community input and transparency when filling upcoming Planning Commission openings (none have been presented to date).

H. County Commissioner – Nate Alexander sent an update on the 4-way stop at Newcosta and Kendaville from the Road Commission. They are working on schedule of bulb installation and Montcalm County will cover the work..

I. Announcements and Board Comments: It was mentioned the flooring in the hall/basement is not holding up well and January is currently very open for repair/new installation consideration. Reminder, the Board does not engage on social media but welcomes residents to stop by during office hours, or call/email the board.

J. Adjournment: 7:42 pm
Motion: Orcutt Second: Bergman Aye: all