

PIERSON TOWNSHIP

Board Meeting Minutes

21156 W. Cannonsville Rd, Pierson, MI 49339

February 16, 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: Orcutt

Aye: all

C. Consent Agenda: Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 12, 2026; Approval of Special Meeting Minutes from January 15, 2025; Approval of Budget (Workshop) Special Meeting Minutes from February 11, 2026; Register of Warrants/Checks/Payroll dated January 8 – February 12, 2026; Budget Amendment: JE 3242 for \$1,064.36 corrections to GL#s; Check register: January 31, 2026; Treasurer’s Report; Correspondence; Assessor’s Activity Report; Nov/Dec Sand Lake Fire Report; Jan 2026 Howard City Fire Report; Road Meeting Minutes from January 7, 2026; Tri County Gravel Operation Update from PC; George & Kathryn Ravell Trust Property Finding Memo; Sewer Check register for January 1-31, 2026 BWL/LWL; Accounts Payable Report: January 8 – Feb 12, 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: Sower

Aye: all

D. Public Comments - none

E. New Business:

Close for Hooker Drive Road Improvement Public Hearing: 7:02 pm

Motion: Sower

Second: Bergman

Aye: all

Public Hearing for Hooker Drive Road Assessment - SAD - No comments made.

Close Public Hearing and resume regular Board Meeting: 7:04 pm

Motion: Burkholder

Second: Orcutt

Aye: Aye

Note: during discussion for Special Assessment No. 4 – Karen Hickox of 2574 West Bay Dr asked a question on chip coat. It was explained that the township does not decide the scope of the project, simply assist with the collection and disbursement.

2. Resolution 2026-05 PA-116 Farmland and Open Space Preservation Brandon R. Carlson Trust
Offered by: Bergman Aye: Maioho, Bergman, Burkholder, Orcutt, Sower
Second: Burkholder Nay: none Absent: none

3. Archimedes Plumbing Estimate 1903 for \$2,140 and Salvail Builders to complete drywall, painting and baseboards (existing) not to exceed \$2K.

Motion: Sower

Second: Bergman

Aye: all

4. Board of Review Appointment of Janet Moore, Tom Sibley, Virginia (Ginny) Pennington for two year terms and Kathi Coffin and Dan Buyze as alternates.

Motion: Burkholder

Second: Sower

Aye: all

5. Ordinance 2026-01 Amendment to Rear Setbacks

Offered by: Burkholder

Aye: Maioho, Bergman, Burkholder, Orcutt, Sower

Second: Orcutt

Nay: none

Absent: none

6. Moore+Bruggink proposal for services (time-and-materials) not-to exceed \$3K for for zoning map.

Motion: Sower

Second: Bergman

Aye: all

F. Open Items:

1. Township Fire Meeting (SL) Update:

a. Appoint Frank Dietz and Jeff Drake as Pierson Township representatives for the Fire Board/Authority for a 2 year term.

Motion: Burkholder

Second: Sower

Aye: Maioho, Burkholder, Orcutt, Sower

Abstain: Bergman

2. Township Maintenance – paint and carpet cleaning are completed.

3. Bids & Quotes policy review- tabled

4. Post (Press x3, Website & FB) for Zoning Administrator position applications to be received by mid-March (depending on number of candidates).

5. Committee Updates:

a. Zoning Board of Appeals Members & Training - completed

b. Road Committee – no meetings scheduled

- i. Road Policy – tabled

b. Planning Commission Meeting & Public Hearing: **Thurs, February 26 at 7 pm**

c. Parks & Recreation: **Next meeting: March 2 at 6 pm** – Spring Event March 28

d. Sewer Authority Committee (SAC)- **no date for next meeting to date.**

- i. North site flow meter installation

- ii. Survey, fence & signage for treatment site

G. Public Comments: Jack Bourne of 23517 Hooker Drive asked about the Hooker SAD if the price is locked in (price may change as pave is 4-5 years out), was the price negotiated (yes, 3 bids) if the funds collected would gain interest (yes) and was opting out an option (during petition process or appeal to tax tribunal). He also asked about fire coverage. Joseph Fox introduced himself to the Board and guests; he is running for 33rd District State Senate.

H. County Commissioner – Nate Alexander no update from county.

I. Announcements and Board Comments: Pierson Township does not do business on social media, residents are encouraged to reach out to the Board.

J. Adjournment: 7:51 pm

Motion: Sower

Second: Bergman

Aye: all