

**PIERSON TOWNSHIP
MONTCALM COUNTY**

**EMERGENCY SERVICES SPECIAL ASSESSMENT
NORTH DISTRICT & SOUTH DISTRICT**

**RESOLUTION 2026-14
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION NO. 3**

**FILING OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT
DISTRICTS; NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of Pierson Township, Montcalm County, Michigan, held at the Township Hall, 21156 W. Cannonsville Rd, Pierson, MI 49339, on the 21st day of September, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Maioho, Bergman, Burkholder, Orcutt, Sower

ABSENT: None

The following Resolution was offered by Burkholder and seconded by Bergman.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Act 33 of 1951, MCL 41.801 *et seq*, and Act 368 of 1978, as amended, being MCL 333.20948, the Township may defray the cost of providing emergency services, including fire service, ambulance service, and police protection through a special assessment, which assessment is to be spread across the taxable value of the parcels in the districts; and

WHEREAS, the Township currently receives fire protection and emergency services from the Nelson Township Fire Department (also known as the Sand Lake Fire Department) and the Howard City Fire Department, as authorized by law; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to defray the costs of providing emergency services, including the costs and expenses of fire and emergency services motor vehicles, apparatus, equipment, housing, operations, and protection services, during the term of the special assessment

and defray the costs therefor through a special assessment under Act 33 of 1951 and Act 368 of 1978, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Township Board has resolved its intention to proceed with establishing a special assessment district and set September 21, 2026, for a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, after notice was duly given by publication and by first class mail, the Township Board held a public hearing on September 21, 2026, at which the Township Board heard and considered objections to the proposed special assessment district and all other matters related to the special assessment districts; and

WHEREAS, the Township Supervisor has prepared and certified a special assessment roll for the parcels located in the Districts and has reported the special assessment roll to the Township Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The special assessment roll for the Districts (the “Special Assessment Roll”), as reported to the Township Board by the Township Supervisor, attached as **Exhibit A**, will be filed in the office of the Township Clerk and will be available for public inspection during the normal working hours of the Township office.

2. The Township Board will hold a public hearing at a meeting of the Township Board on October 19, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall in the Township, to review the Special Assessment Roll and hear any objections to it.

3. The Township Board directs the Township Clerk to publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township notice of the time, date and purpose of the hearing at least 5 days before the date of the hearing in the form substantially similar to **Exhibit B**, attached to this Resolution. If there is not a newspaper of general circulation in the Township, notices must be

posted in not less than 3 of the most public places in the Township. Notice of the hearing is not required to be mailed pursuant to Act 33 but may be mailed if the Township Clerk determines that mailing notice to each record owner of property is necessary or warranted in her sole discretion.

4. All actions taken by Township officials, employees, and agents with respect to the special assessment are hereby ratified and confirmed.

5. All resolutions and parts of resolutions that conflict with the provisions of this resolution are hereby rescinded.

ADOPTED:

YEAS: Maioho, Bergman, Burkholder, Orcutt, Sower

NAYS: None

STATE OF MICHIGAN)
)
COUNTY OF MONTCALM)

I, Sara Burkholder, the duly qualified and acting Township Clerk of the Township of Pierson, Montcalm County, Michigan, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of certain proceedings taken by the Township Board of said Township at a regular meeting held on the 21st day of September, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.


Sara Burkholder, Township Clerk

EXHIBIT A

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

**[to be attached as prepared and certified by the Township Supervisor the districts should
be clearly noted]**

EXHIBIT B

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND FILING OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Board of Pierson Township, Montcalm County, has resolved its intention to consider confirmation of a special assessment roll for parcels located in the Pierson Township Emergency Services District North and the Pierson Township Emergency Services District South ("Districts"). The Districts consist of the parcels identified in the special assessment roll and located within the boundaries depicted on the Boundary Map attached to this notice, which are benefited by emergency services, including fire protection, police protection, and emergency medical services, except those exempt by law from special assessments.

The purpose of the special assessment is to defray the costs of providing emergency services within the Districts through an annual per-parcel special assessment levied against parcels located within each respective District that benefit from such services.

The Township Supervisor has prepared and certified the special assessment roll, which identifies the parcels to be assessed and the amount of the assessment applicable to each parcel, and the special assessment roll is available for public inspection at the Township Hall during the Township's normal business hours.

TAKE NOTICE that the Township Board of Pierson Township, Montcalm County, Michigan will be holding a meeting on October 19, 2026 at 7:00 p.m. at the Township Hall, 21156 W. Cannonsville Rd, Pierson, MI 49339, to hear and consider any objections to the special assessment roll, all other matters relating to the Pierson Township Emergency Services Districts, and to consider any business to come before the Township Board as permitted by law.

This notice is posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Dated: September 21, 2026

By: Sara Burkholder, Clerk
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Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services who are planning to attend the meeting should notify Pierson Township Clerk, Sara Burkholder, at 616-560-7927 within a reasonable time in advance of the meeting.

