

**PIERSON TOWNSHIP**  
**Budget Hearing Meeting Minutes**

21156 W. Cannonsville Rd, Pierson, MI 49339

March 30, 2021

5:00 pm

The Open Meetings Act, as amended by Public Act 254 of 2020, extended the authority for public bodies to conduct electronic “virtual” meetings for any reason through March 30, 2021. This meeting will be held both, in person and via zoom.

A. Meeting

1. Call to order: 5:02 pm
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call:

Buyze, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns

Zoom: Bergman (Greenville, MI)

B. Approve Meeting Agenda.

Motion: Burkholder                      2nd: Grice

Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns                      No: None

C. Public Comments

D. New Business:

1. [Addition to the Hall Rental Application to include a] Meeting rate of \$25 for a two hour block \*, [Sunday half-day rental for \$50 added on 3/16/2021]. \* Renter to set up and take down chairs/tables if used. Rates do not apply to free community events.

Motion: Bergman                      2nd: Buyze

Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns                      No: None

E. Rebonding/Refinance of LWL Sewer Bond

1. Rescind motion made on March 16, 2021 to wire funds from the general fund in the amount of \$24,229 [to USDA for the payment of the LWL Bond payment, to be reimbursed from funds once accounts have been transferred from the County to the Township].

Motion: Burkholder                      2nd: Grice

Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns                      No: None

2. Wire [funds in the amount of] \$23,996.56 [for the payment to USDA to be reimbursed from funds once accounts have been transferred from the County to the Township] and issue check to the State of Michigan for \$177.80 for a [Bond/closing] filing fee [to be reimbursed from funds once accounts have been transferred from the County to the Township].

Motion: Buyze                      2nd: Burkholder

Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns                      No: None

F. Budget Discussion:

1. Approve proposal from Eunice Gould and Judy Matzen [to maintain the flower beds around the township hall and cemetery sign for spring, summer, and fall as volunteers; budget for materials approximately \$173, plans for improvement to be approved by board].

Motion: Grice                      2nd: Buyze

Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns                      No: None

*Thank you to Dora Schroeder for her volunteer service to the flower beds in 2020.*

2. Budget Amendments [JE 1173] in the amount of \$3,501.56.

101-101-702.000	TOWNSHIP BOARD SALARY	0.12
101-101-727.000	SUPPLIES TOWNSHIP BOARD	49.87
101-101-821.000	TWP. BD. PRINTER/COPIER REPAIR	38.02
101-171-870.000	SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE TAX	39.08

101-215-702.002	CLERK SALARY	0.04
101-215-703.008	NON STATUTORY HOURLY WAGES	361.00
101-215-957.001	CLERK MISCELLANEOUS	70.00
101-215-960.001	CLERK CONFERENCE/TRAINING COSTS	25.00
101-247-703.006	BOR HOURLY	16.20
101-247-727.000	SUPPLIES	39.50
101-253-702.003	TREASURER SALARY	0.22
101-253-712.002	DEPUTY TREASURER WAGES	957.66
101-265-926.000	WATER COOLER SERVICES	0.50
101-265-935.000	TOWNSHIP HALL CLEANING	75.00
101-721-900.000	PUBLISHING	94.00
101-722-702.007	ZONING ADMINISTRATION WAGES	1,427.90
101-722-713.000	CONSULTING	238.76
101-722-727.000	SUPPLIES ZONING ADMINISTRATOR	52.70
101-751-727.000	SUPPLIES PARK AND REC	<u>15.99</u>
	JOURNAL TOTAL:	3,501.56

Motion: Buyze    2nd: Burkholder  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns            No: None

- Approve transfer of \$25,000 into Roads Future Funds account [from 2020-21 budget].

Motion: Burkholder    2nd: Grice  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns            No: None

- Transfer \$9,000 into the Parks & Recreation fund and the remainder [of excess 2020-21 budget funds] to the Road Fund [intent for White Pine Contribution.]

Motion: Bergman    2nd: Buyze  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice                      No: Hyrns

- Transfer \$58,721.47 into the Road Fund [from 2020-21 budget].

Motion: Burkholder    2nd: Bergman  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns            No: None

- Road Contracts:

- a. Asphalt Overlay on Long Road from Kimball Rd to Stanton Rd (west) (1 mile) \$87,889.00 [20% discount price = \$70,319.20]. Savings in full project bid \$6,003 before discount).

Motion: Burkholder    2nd: Bergman  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns            No: None

- b. 40 hours of additional Ditching of local roads for \$5,000

Motion: Burkholder    2nd: Bergman  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns            No: None

- c. Road Contract to Machine Wedge and Seal Reed Road from Coral Rd to Kendaville Rd (.5 mile) for \$10,360.00 [15% discount price = \$8,806]

Motion: Burkholder    2nd: Bergman  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns            No: None

- Approve Rose Exterminating Contract for one year of service [May 2021-Apr 2022] for \$490.20.

Motion: Buyze    2nd: Grice  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns            No: None

- Assessor rate to be increased to \$18 per parcel up to \$46,800, based on 2,600 parcels, for 2 years based on [Carl Schuitema's] proposal [to update township records and photos].

Motion: Hyrns    2nd: Grice  
 Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns            No: None

Meeting closed [recess] at 6:36 pm by Buyze motion, second by Grice and approved by all.

Meeting resumed at 7:17 pm by Burkholder motion, second by Buyze and approved by all.

9. Table Carpet purchase [Building Improvement] for 2 months for further review of budget.

Motion: Grice

2nd: Hyrns

Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Grice, Hyrns

No: Burkholder

Open Floor for Public Hearing at 7:33 pm by Buyze motion, second by Grice, approved by all.

Close Floor of Public Hearing at 7:35 pm by Buyze motion, second by Burkholder, approved by all.

10. Adopt 2021-22 Budget and General Appropriations Act Resolution 2021-09.

Motion: Burkholder

2nd: Grice

Aye: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns

Nay: None

Absent: None

G. Public Comments

H. Adjournment: 7:46 pm

Motion: Grice

2nd: Buyze

Roll Call Yes: Buyze, Bergman, Burkholder, Grice, Hyrns

No: None