TOWN OF PINCKNEY
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING SEPTMEBER 8TH 2026

PRESENT:
Sherry Harmych-Supervisor
Don Cook-Highway Superintendent
Don Vincent-Councilman
Kristin Vogt-Councilwomen
Paula Gramer-Councilwomen

ABSENT:
Mike Bircheough-Councilman

THC: Malory Cardinal

Meeting was called to order @ 6:30pm by Supervisor Harmych with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Dale Petrus was inquiring in regards to the road on McDonald Rd, Don advised that it is being worked on.

THC: Mallory went over the monthly announcements for the Commission.

CLERKS REPORT: ! female spayed 1 male neutered, 2 females unspayed 1 male unneutered., $69.00 received for dog licenses $11.00 was paid to the NYS Ag and Markets, $58.00 to the Town of Pinckney. Check in the amount of $205.00 received from Tom Ritz on Champion Pike Rd for culvert piping. Total amount dispersed to the Town of Pinkney $274.00. Permits and Co's also received 8042 7x9 Rd Tyler Duncan Residential Building Permit, 1602 Cty. Rte 194 American Tower cell tower. CO's Elizabeth Williams for addition. Motion to accept clerks report, Don Vincent 2nd Paula Gramer.

FINANCIAL REPORT: August 2026 received

JUSTICE REPORT: July 2026 received

PLANNING BOARD REPORT: Corner of Whitesville Rd Thomas

DOG CONTROL REPORT: N/A

MINUTES OF PRIOR NMEETING: Motion to accept Don Vincent, 2nd Kristin Vogt

NEW BUSINESS: Resolution #76-2026 Surety Bond Release, Motion to accept Resolution #76-2026 Paula Gramer 2nd Don Vincent, poll of board yeas, Resolution #76-2026 carried.

RESOLUTION #77-2026 Real Property 458A Legislation, Motion to accept Resolution #77-2026 -Real Property 458A Don Vincent 2nd Paula Gramer poll of board yea, Resolution #77-2026 carried.
RESOLUTION #78-2026 Setting Public hearing adding Section 430 Seasonal Use, Motion to accept Resolution #78-2026 Setting Public Hearing adding Section 430 Seasonal Use Paula Gramer 2nd Don Vincent, poll of board yea, Resolution #78-2026 carried.

HIGHWAY: See attached Report.

OLD BUSINESS: Budget items due by September 21st 2026.
Planning Board vacancy.

VOUCHERS: To board members to review and sign, Motion to accept Kristin Vogt 2nd Paula Gramer.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn meeting Kristin Vogt 2nd Paula Gramer, meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Public Hearing on Local Law #2 adding Section 430 Seasonal Use Classification
October 13th @ 6:30pm immediately following.

Submitted By
Missy Birchenough
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

10/10/2026

Town of Pinckney Highway Report **September 8, 2026**

- Awaiting new (used) plow/dump truck from West Turin. Their board has to transfer title to us and then we will insure and plate it. Will be set up as one of two primary plow trucks.
  Oshkosh will be sold making P23 the backup unit.
- Setting up for another auction that will test pricing on Blower, Oshkosh, P17 dump truck, P22 international crew cab.
- County was to put a new stone surface on their end of Cronk Rd but did not complete.
- Gorman Group is behind because of weather and now McDonald delayed till the 14th. Installing new cutter on excavator.
- P3 new red plow truck dump box and frame painted. Next week we will begin plow set ups
- . Minimum Maintenance Road discussion.
- All open DEC permits from this summer closed.
- Meeting with DEC for next summer's permits on Wed the 9th. Also, will see their willingness to permit road widening at wetlands and forest areas on Minimum Maintenance Roads.
- I will submit budget suggestions
- . Submitted performance issues to UniFirst Reginal manager.
- playground turned over to contractor. One new door installed and waiting 2nd. We will upgrade electric to spec when concrete is complete.

Respectfully Submitted by

Don Cook

Town of Pinckney

Resolution # 76 2026

September 8, 2026

Surety bond Release

Whereas, The Copenhagen Wind Farm has completed all work covered under the bond #K09582265

Now therefore be it resolved, The ~~Town~~ Town of Pinckney herby fully discharges Westchester fire insurance co. as Surety

Be it further resolved, this resolution take effect immediately and Supervisor Harmych is to fill out the necessary as directed

Motion to accept Paula Gramer, Seconded by Dan Vincent

Poll of Board:

Councilman Vincent – yes

Councilman Birchenough - absent

Councilwoman Gramer – yes

Councilwoman Vogt - yes

Supervisor Harmych - yes

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Resolution # 77 2026

September 8, 2026

Real Property §458-a legislation

Whereas, the intention to support those who have served in the military is both understood and deeply respected, the current structure and execution of RPTL §458-a have resulted in significant operational challenges for local governments; and

Whereas, the law as it stands places considerable strain on municipal assessment systems, introduces inconsistencies in eligibility verification, and leads to unanticipated budget deficits—requiring increases to the tax levy or reductions in essential services to balance the shortfall; and

Whereas, local assessing units must undertake extensive documentation review, eligibility monitoring, and ongoing compliance responsibilities without additional administrative support or funding; and

Whereas, the exemption reduces taxable assessed value, thereby shifting the tax burden disproportionately to other property owners; and

Whereas, variations in interpretation and application across municipalities create inequitable outcomes for both applicants and taxpayers; and

Whereas, if the State deems this exemption a priority, it should provide corresponding reimbursement or aid to mitigate negative impacts at the local level;

Now therefore be it resolved, that policymakers are respectfully urged to review RPTL §458-a, giving careful consideration to its administrative practicality and fiscal consequences; and

Be it further resolved, that a revised approach—whether through clearer guidelines, modernized verification processes, or State-funded reimbursement—should be adopted to ensure the law's intent is honored while alleviating undue strain on local governments.

Motion to accept Don Vincent, Seconded by Paula Gramer

Poll of Board:

Councilman Vincent - yes

Councilman Birchenough - absent

Councilwoman Gramer - yes

Councilwoman Vogt - yes

Supervisor Harmych - yes

TOWN OF PINCKNEY

RESOLUTION # 78 -2026

SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING ADDING SECTION 430 SEASONAL USE

September 8, 2026

WHEREAS, the Pinckney Town Board is proposing adding Section 430 Seasonal use to our zoning,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Pinckney Town Board sets the Public Hearing on Local Law #2 2026 ADDING SECTION 430 SEASONAL USE for the October 13 2026 at 6:30 p.m. at the Pinckney Town Hall, 307 NYS 177, Copenhagen NY and

FUTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk submit legal notice to the Watertown Daily Times

Motioned by Paula Gramer

Seconded by Don Vincent

Poll of board

Councilman Vincent - yes

Councilman Birchenough - absent

Councilwoman Gramer - yes

Councilwoman Vogt - yes

Supervisor Harmych - yes