TOWN OF PINCKNEY
REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 13TH 2026

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

THC: Malory Cardinala

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: Local Law #2 No Public present. Public hearing closed.

TUG HILL COMMISSION: Malory went over the announcements for October 2026.

CLERKS REPORT: No dog licenses issued, No Co's or Permits. Check received in regards to property line moves corner of Whitesville Rd Thomas in the amount of $100.00. Refund on overpayment of New truck received from Empire in the amount of $33.50, Scrap refund received in the amount of $193.72. Total dispensed to the Town in the amount of $327.22. Motion to accent clerks report Don Vincent 2nd Mike Birchenough.

FINANCIAL REPORT: N/A

JUSTICE REPORT: N/A

PLANNING BOARD: N/A

DOG CONTROL: N/A

MINUTES OF PRIOR MEETING: Motion to accept Mike Birchenough 2nd Paula Gramer.

NEW BUSINESS: Resolution #79-2026 Local Law #2 Section 430 Seasonal Use Classification to zoning. Motion to accept Resolution #79-2026 Mike Birchenough, 2nd Don Vincent, poll of board yea, Resolution #79-2026 carried.

Resolution #80-2026 Proposed Local Law #3 Override Tax Cap. Motion to accept Resolution #80-2026 Sherry Harymch 2nd Don Vincent poll of board yea. Resolution #80-2026 carried

Resolution #81-2026 Accepting/Rejecting Auction Bids, Motion to accept Bids 1,2 &3 Reject #4 on 77 Oshkosh. Motion to accept Resolution #81-2026 Mike Birchenough 2nd Don Vincent poll of board yea. Resolution #81-2026 carried.

HIGHWAY REPORT: See attached.

OLD BUSINESS: Planning Board vacancy

VOUCHERS: Passed to board members to review and sign. Motin to accept vouchers Mike Birchenough 2nd Paula Gramer.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn meeting Mike Birchenough 2nd Paula Gramer, meeting adjourned at 7:05pm.

Public hearing on Local Law a33 Override Tax Cap and Budget workshop October 27th 2026 @ 6:30pm

Next Regular meeting November 10th 2026 @6:30pm

Submitted By
Missy Birchenough Town Clerk
11/9/2026

Town of Pinckney Highway Report **October 13, 2026**

- We have basically shut our diesel usage down to a minimum because of the high prices.
- New Cutting machine installed on Kobelko Excavator. County will move excavator and we will chop brush and tree limbs till snow stops us. All work done in house saving 1000s of $.
- New 2006 plow truck bought from West Turin is suited up and in service. Justin will operate it and we designated it P10 replacing the old 1989 Ford sold at last auction.
- P23 (2001 4WD International) will become the spare plow truck.
- P3 (2012 International) is in a vender shop for work (discussion at board meeting).
- Tire issues this past month. Flats and failed rims.
- Final Road grading is complete for hunting season.
- Still fighting the plugging of culverts by beavers. Using the permit we have to eliminate several this year. DEC has been contacted for help control population.
- For the budget we will do our best to hold at previous levels with exception of raises.
- As of now we'll operate with previous CHIPs income levels.
- Working on a spring planning for some type of hard surface for McDonald Rd.
- For the future we need to look at a 3rd full-time employee. Hopefully someone might move in the Township, again looking to the future.
- We had our annual facilities insurance inspection. Went well. Playground not inspected because being under construction.
- Playground work continues. I want to hold off the concrete pour to spring to let base settle. We worked the parking area and built up the toy area installing a base to raise up out of soft low areas.
- While grinding and welding on excavator we had a fire. Brad reacted with a fire extinguisher and took care of it quickly.
- Auction not going well at time of this writing Monday afternoon. Not even scrap pricing. Vacations for deer season all set up so we do have town coverage.
- Snow plow installation to begin this week.
- Kevin Towsand from our insurance company here this week to go over assets inventory to update coverage.

Respectfully Submitted by

Don Cook

TOWN OF PINCKNEY

RESOLUTION # 79-2026

ADOPTING LOCAL LAW #2 2026

SECTION 430 SEASONAL USE

October 13, 2026

WHEREAS, the Pinckney Town Board held a public hearing is proposing adding Section 430 Seasonal use to our zoning on October 13 2026 at the Pinckney Town Hall located at 307 NYS 177 Copenhagen NY, and

WHEREAS, there is no opposition to local law #2

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Pinckney Town Board adopts local Local Law #2 2026 ADDING SECTION 430 SEASONAL USE ,

FUTHER BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk submit this local law to NYS within ~~7~~ 20 days of its adoption

Motioned by Mike Birchenaugh

Seconded by Don Vincent

Poll of board

Councilman Vincent - yea

Councilman Birchenough - yea

Councilwoman Gramer - yea

Councilwoman Vogt - yea

Supervisor Harmych - yea

Amendment to the Town of Pinckney Zoning Law
Seasonal Use Classification

Amend the Town of Pinckney Zoning law as follows.

Add the following definitions to Section 220.

Use, Seasonal: A use which will not have access to a snow-plowed or winter maintained public road or be provided with vehicular public services such as, but not limited to, emergency services, school busing or postal delivery during the winter snow season.

Minimum Maintenance Road: A road designated as minimum maintenance by Local Law No. 1 of 2002.

Add a new Section 430 as follows:

Section 430. Seasonal Use Classification

1. Purpose: The purpose of this regulation is to provide for the reasonable use of recreational, agricultural and forestry properties which are accessed solely by minimum maintenance roads. This regulation allows for the reasonable use of such lands for seasonal uses without the prohibitively expensive public cost of providing for wheeled vehicular access through the snow-plowing and the winter maintenance of minimum maintenance roads.
2. Seasonal use classification is a use classification in addition to the use classifications of Section 410 of this law. Application for seasonal use classification may be made for any use which intends to have its principal access to a minimum maintenance road.
3. For a use to be established with its principal access to a minimum maintenance road, it must, in addition to the allowed use requirement of Section 410 of this law, also be classified as a seasonal use.
4. Where a use has access to both a minimum maintenance road and to a non-minimum maintenance road, such use shall have its principal access to the non-minimum maintenance road unless classified as a seasonal use.

Town of Pinckney

Resolution # 80 -2026

Proposed Local Law

Override Tax Cap

At a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Pinckney, Lewis County NY, held at the Town Hall, 307 US 177, in said Town of Pinckney, on the 13th day of October 2026 at 6:30 o'clock p.m., there were:

Present: All Board Members Present
No Public

Absent:

Supervisor Harmych offered the following resolution and moved its adoption

Whereas, in looking at the 2027 budget and the projected cost increases in 2027, it is feasible to predict that we will not be able to fall under the NY 2%

Therefore be it resolved that pursuant to subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law § 3-c of the State of New York a public hearing on said proposed Local Law No. 3 shall be held on the 27th day of October 2026 at 6 :30 o'clock p.m. at the Town Hall 307 US 177 in the Town of Pinckney, New York , and that notice of the time and place of such hearing describing in general terms the proposed local law , be published once on or before the 20th day of October 2026 in the Watertown Daily Times , a newspaper circulating in said Town of Pinckney

Seconded by Don Vincent and duly put to a vote which resulted as follows:

M. Birchenough	yea	nay
Don Vincent	yea	nay
Paula Gramer	yea	nay
Kristin Vogt	yea	nay
Sherry Harmych	yea	nay

Town of Pinckney
Resolution #81 -2026
Accepting /rejecting Auction bids
October 14, 2026

Introduced by Sherry Harmych

Whereas An auction was held by Absolute Auctions & Realty to sell surplus equipment, and,

The board will accept the following bids:

#1. 2004 International 4200 VT265 Truck $2900

#2 1995 Ford LT9000 Dump Truck $9600

#3 1975 SMI Heavy Duty Truck Snow Remover $3900

The board rejects # 4 1977 Oshkosh Plow Truck; $2700

Be It resolved that this resolution take effect immediately

Motion to accept Councilman Birchenough
Seconded by Councilman Vincent

Poll of Board:

Councilman Vincent	Yea
Councilman Birchenough	Yea
Councilman Gramer	Yea
Councilman Vogt	Yea
Supervisor Harmych	Yea

Absolute Auctions & Realty,
Town of Pinckney Surplus
P.O. Box 1739 / 45 South Avenue
Pleasant Valley, NY 12569
845 635 3169

Sales Items
Auction #8752 - 9/21/2026

Lot #		Type	Qty	LotPrice	Extended	Surcharge Paid	Bidder #	Seller #
Sold (4)					19,100.00			
1	2004 International 4200 VT265 Truck: Runs, Drives and Dumps, Vin: 1HTMPAFL94H659726, 175415 Miles (unit still in service miles may vary slightly), 6.0L, V8, Diesel, 4x2,	One Lot	1	2,900.00	2,900.00	accept	12	46951
2	1995 Ford LT9000 Dump Truck; Runs, Drives and Dumps, Vin: 1FDZU90L6SVA60859, 219,821 Miles, 2,656 Hours, Cummins L-10 Engine, 2021 Bau-Roc Dump Body, Title and	One Lot	1	9,600.00	9,600.00	accept	23	46951
3	1975 SMI Heavy Duty Truck Snow Remover; Runs, Drives, Blows Snow as intended, S/N 20216, Model 7000 Truck, Detroit Diesel 53 Series 6 Cylinder Engine, Allison	One Lot	1	3,900.00	3,900.00	accept	28	46951
4	1977 Oshkosh Plow Truck; Runs, Drives and Operates as Intended, Model P-2323-203, S/N 15860, 43,432 Miles, 7,900 Hours, Cummins Big Cam 300 Engine, Viking 948V	One Lot	1	2,700.00	2,700.00	reject	17	46951