

**Pierceton Town Council Meeting**  
**Pierceton Community Building**  
**105 W Walnut St**  
**Tuesday, October 14, 2025**  
**6:30 p.m.**

**Opening**

The monthly meeting of the Pierceton Town Council was called to order following the pledge of allegiance and prayer. The start of the meeting was delayed due to the set up for recording the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 6:43 pm.

**Present**

Council Members Glenn Hall, Matt Brubaker, and Chauncey Smith. Town Clerk Myra Mast. Town Attorney Tammy Keirn. Town Marshal Jim Bumbaugh.

**Absent**

Town Superintendent Casey Boggs.

**Budget Adoption Hearing**

The purpose of the hearing is to hold the required public hearing and adopt the Town's annual budget as mandated by the State of Indiana.

- Budget Ordinance 2025-10-1 was read by council president Glenn Hall.
- Glenn opened the floor for questions or comments.
  - Annie Espinoza asked about the budget amount for the parks. 2026 budget is set at \$16,700 with \$8000 allocated from the tax levy.
  - It was advised that, due to SB-1 being passed by the state, the amount of revenue to be collected from property taxes will decrease in 2026.
- Chauncey Smith motioned to approve the Budget. The motion was seconded by Glenn Hall and passed with at 3-0 vote but council.

**Monthly Council Meeting**

The regular Council meeting, normally held on the second Monday of each month, was rescheduled to the second Tuesday in October in order to ensure a quorum was present.

**Guests**

- Tom, representative from Astbury presented information regarding what Astbury can offer the town with handling all locates for the Town. Glenn advised that Casey has some questions and, since he is not present at the meeting, the issue will be tabled.
- Cindy Lursen from Kosciusko Community Trap Neuter Return.
  - Janet Ludwig has commissioned the group to trap feral cats in the areas of Indiana Street and Catholic and Third Street.
  - Cats will be trap on or around November 17<sup>th</sup> and cat owners in the area should keep their cats inside on that day.
  - The group tries to find home for cats but returning after being spayed and neutered will eventually reduce the number of feral cats in Pierceton.
  - Lursen is also seeking support for another roundup in 2026. Charges per cat range from \$55 to \$85.

### **Approval of Meeting Minutes/Memorandum**

- Council Meeting on September 8, 2025
- Budget Hearing on September 4, 2025
- Special Meeting on September 4, 2025

### **Approvals**

- Invoice from Phend & Brown paying for the paving project from CCMG Fund in the amount of \$81,132.39 and \$27,044.09 from the Local Road and Street Fund. Total invoice was in the amount of \$108,132.39 which came in under the bid by just over \$3000. A refund will be issued to INDOT.
- The 2026 Terminal Services Data Agreement with Kosciusko County was approved.
- A request by staff to change the regular monthly meetings of the Town Council from the second Monday of the month to the second Tuesday of the month was unanimously approved. The start time for meetings will be at 6:30 pm.

### **Police Department Report – Jim Bumbaugh**

- Deputy Baker has completed his 40-hour pre-basic course and now has arrest powers. He is scheduled to attend the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy Tier II in January 2026.
- Marshal Bumbaugh has obtained quotes for a new police vehicle. He will present recommendations at the November council meeting.
- Marshal Bumbaugh will be retiring on November 30<sup>th</sup>. Permission was given to post the position of Town Marshal.

### **Utility/Street Report – Glenn Hall**

- Leaf pickup has begun with same schedule as previous years. Leaves should be curbside by 8:00 am the day of pickup and away from poles, signs and mailboxes. Leaves should be free from brush and trash. The week of Thanksgiving, the sections scheduled for Thursdays should have leaves out by 8:00 am on Tuesday, November 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - Monday – South of Catholic Street and west of First Street
  - Tuesday – South of Catholic Street and east of First Street
  - Thursday – North of Catholic Street
- Per Casey's notes for the meeting:
- Casey reviewed the town's discharge limits and compared them with those of other municipalities. It was noted that only the phosphorus limits may need further study, as the other limits appear to be satisfactory. IDEM has also requested revisions to the wording in the SUO to improve clarity and provide additional protection for the town. Casey will coordinate with the town attorney regarding these changes.

### **Recreation Board Report – No Report**

### **Clerk's Report – Myra Mast**

- Anyone interested in the Enhanced Fitness program may still register by contacting YMCA representatives. Printed information is available for those interested. Classes will begin on October 27<sup>th</sup> in the community room, with sessions held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m.
- Due to the monthly closing of the clerk's office on the third Wednesday of the month and that being the due date for utility bills, the due date has been extended to October 16<sup>th</sup>.
- The clerk will be attending virtual training from ILMCT and SBOA from November 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> and will not be in the office. This is a State Board of Accounts call to meeting.

## Citizen Comments/Concerns – No Comments

### Upcoming Meetings


- Regular Monthly Council Meeting on Monday, November 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm.
- Girl's Night Out: Friday, October 17, 2025, from 4-8 pm.
- Trunk or Treat at OMCO on Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup> from 2-4 pm.
- Trunk or Treat at Harvest Church during the Pierceton Halloween Trick or Treat hours of 5:30-6:30 pm on Friday, October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Redevelopment Commission Meeting on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at 6:30 pm.

### Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, by a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm.



Council President



Clerk-Treasurer