

**Town of Pierce  
Regular Board Meeting  
February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
6:30 P.M.**

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Pierce, County of Weld, State of Colorado, met in regular session at Pierce Town Hall 144 Main Street, Pierce Colorado at the hour of 6:30 P.M. Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026.

Mayor Larry VanWhy called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M. Based on the roll call, the following Trustees comprising a quorum attended:

Mayor Larry VanWhy

Trustees	Others Present:
Geoffery Broughton	Kristina Duran, Town Clerk
Glen Lester	Heather Rospierski Deputy Town Clerk II
Chris VanWhy	James Godbold, Town Attorney
Richard Wuhler	
Jeffrey Zimmerman	
Charles Dixon- Absent	

**1. Approval of Minutes from January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Board Meeting and January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026, Work Session:** Motion made by Trustee Broughton to approve the minutes from January 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Board Meeting, and January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026 Work Session. Second by Wuehler. All "AYES", motion passed.

**2. Approval of Agenda:** Motion made by Trustee C. VanWhy to approve the agenda. Second by Lester. All "AYES", motion passed.

**3. Public Comment\*:** Kenny Dill asked whose responsibility it is to maintain the sidewalks. Town staff said it's the owner's responsibility to repair or replace.

a. **Comment Box:** None

**4. Consider a New Business License at 301 1<sup>st</sup> Street- Mountainside Power LLC- Kevin Ripplinger:** Motion made by Trustee Broughton to approve the new business license. Second by C. VanWhy. All "AYES", motion passed.

**5. Consider Reserving Jones Park for Pierce Days- Kara Johnson:** Kara said she would like to reserve Jones Park for Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026, for Pierce Days. Motion made by Trustee Broughton to reserve the park for Pierce Days. Second by C. VanWhy. All "AYES", motion passed.

**6. Senior Center Engineering Quote for CDBG:** Motion made by Trustee Wuehler to approve the engineering cost for the CDBG. Second by Zimmerman. All "AYES", motion passed.

**7. Consider Resolution 2026-02- A Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Pierce, Colorado Authorizing the Town to Apply for a Grant from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs for a Housing Needs Assessment:** Motion made by Trustee Broughton to adopt Resolution 2026-02. Second by Lester. A roll-call vote was taken. All "AYES", motion passed.

**8. Consider Involving EPS Engineering for the Housing Needs Assessment Process/ Designate Project Manager:** Motion made by Trustee C. VanWhy to involve EPS Engineering for the Housing Needs Assessment. Second by Broughton. All "AYES", motion passed.

**9. Memorandum of Understanding- State of Colorado- Safebuilt:** Motion made by Trustee Broughton to approve the memorandum of understanding. Second by Lester. All "AYES", motion passed.

**10. Consider Ordinance 2026-03. An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Pierce, Colorado, Amending Article 1 of Chapter 2 of the Pierce Municipal Code Regarding Write-In Candidates and Uncontested Elections to Conform with State Law:** Motion made by Trustee Wuehler to adopt Ordinance 2026-03. Second by C. VanWhy. A roll-call vote was taken. All "AYES", motion passed.

**11. Discuss Adopting a Purchasing/ Procurement Policy:** This is a recommendation from Chris La May from DOLA. The Board would like staff to fill in the amounts. Will add to the March agenda.

**12. Process for Water Tap Request:** Staff would like to get a procedure in place. Town attorney Godbold said this might need to be adopted as part of the code. Deputy Clerk Rospierski will do some research and talk with the Town Engineer on recommendations for the process. This will be added to next month's agenda.

**13. Schedule Meet and Greet:** Mayor VanWhy was thinking about having the meet and greet at Town Hall. Trustee Broughton suggested Pierce Days's. The Board decided that Pierce Day's would be good. They will set up a booth in the park.

**14. Consider Adopting a Penny Policy:** Staff recommend this since the banks are no longer giving out pennies. Godbold will look into whether this should be adopted as a Resolution or an Ordinance.

**15. Consider Observing Juneteenth as a Holiday:** Motion made by Trustee Lester to add Juneteenth as a Holiday. Second by Wuehler. All "AYES", motion passed.

**16. Fiber Internet:** Trustee Broughton asked for this to be added to the agenda. He would like permission to work with the staff to gather information to see who would be interested in bringing fiber internet into the Town. Motion made by Trustee C. VanWhy to allow Broughton to work with the staff to gather information. Second by Lester. All "AYES", motion passed.

**17. Old Business:** None.

**18. Staff Reports:**

**(A). Mayor Report:** Town staff have had several residents concerned about their property taxes going up. The \$ 55,000 property-value exemption that had been in place for the past two years under Senate Bill 233 expired.

**(B). Public Works:** Report Provided. Also, the Board permitted M. Lester to get the Kubota worked on.

**(C). Planning Commission:** There was no meeting in January.

**(D). Town Attorney:** New Laws in effect. Will add to next month's agenda.

**(E). Town Engineer:** None.

**(F). Town Clerk**

1. **Request to Pay Bills:** Motion made by Trustee Broughton to pay the bills. Second by Lester. All "AYES", motion passed.

2. **CD Rate of Return:** CD is 3-6 Months 3.5%, 12 Months 3.25%. Collotrust daily is 3.5571%. Trustee Wuehler asked if Town Clerk Duran could move money without asking the Board every time. Duran will reach out to the Town Auditor and ask.

**19. Department Reports:**

**(A). Water and Sewer- Trustee Lester:** None.

**(B). Streets and Drainage- Trustee C. VanWhy:** None.

**(C). Parks- Trustee Zimmerman:** None. Mayor VanWhy asked if public works should be watering trees since it has been so dry. L. VanWhy will reach out to M. Lester to see if they can do that without turning on the sprinkler system.

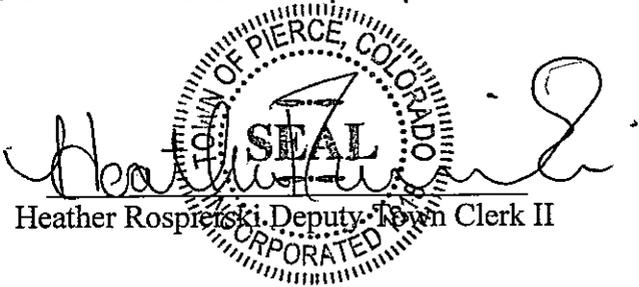
**(D). Information Technology and Communications- Trustee Broughton:** None.

**(E). Police and Emergency Services- Trustee Wuehler:** Reached out to Chief Germer, waiting for a response.

**(F). Buildings- Trustee Dixon:** Absent

**20. Board Communications:** Mayor L. VanWhy would like to see the Town open up communication with the City of Thornton.

**Adjournment:** 8:11 P.M.



Heather Rospierski, Deputy Town Clerk II