

**PITTSFIELD TOWN BOARD MEETING**  
**December 10, 2024**

**Shelby Wing** – Supervisor – Present

**Jeff Galley** - Absent

**Liam Keyes** – Deputy Supervisor – Present

**Carl Tice** - Present

**Lisa Jackson** – Councilwoman – Present

**Others Present:** Sandra Clapperton (Town Clerk), James Wing, Charles T. Koop, James Powers, JoAnn Smith, Cory Felice, Catherin Sturs.

**Called to Order:** 6:30 PM

**Pledge led by:** Supervisor Shelby Wing

**Community Members Concerns** - None

**County District Representative** – James Powers

The county needs a new jail and highway department building. Shelby asked if the Town Board had any concerns or questions for Mr. Powers to take back to the county.

Shelby brought up glass recycling. Mr. Powers said that it was talked about over 20 years ago. She went to a meeting, and they were talking about the recycling program. The county has a glass recycling program to save money because it goes right to Andela's instead of paying to be shipped out. She asked why weren't notified of this because we do have the recycling program for the county here in Pittsfield, and if this is a cost savings for the county, then the town would be open to that at the Pittsfield transfer station to help cut taxes.

**Gates – Cole Associates** – JoAnne Smith

JoAnne Smith presented our 2025 Insurance proposal. The budgeted amount for insurance for 2025 is \$30,000. The premium for 2025 is \$28,190, which came in under the budgeted amount.

**Highway Department** – James Wing

Jim requested approval to purchase a new salter for next year. The current salter is failing but can be used for parts. If the company has one in stock, it will cost \$6800.00. If there isn't one in stock, it would cost between \$8300 to \$9900 depending on the size.

**Resolution # 41 of 2024** – Approval to Purchase a Salter up to \$10,000.

**Motion:** Lisa Jackson

**Seconded:** Liam Keyes

**Carried:** 4/0/1

There seems to be an issue with people stealing road signs. If anyone sees somebody stealing road signs, please report them to the authorities.

A Shared Service Agreement for the County is a legal document for the county to work with the town and the town to work with the county. It can be sharing equipment.

**Resolution # 42 of 2024** – Signing of the Shared Service Agreement with the County

**Motion:** Lisa Jackson

**Seconded:** Liam Keyes

**Carried:** 4/0/1

No updates on the award presentation.

JoAnne Smith stated, as a Pittsfield taxpayer, she feels James Wing does a great job as the Highway Superintendent.

There were communications with Boulder Consultants regarding intersections of Camp, Ramey, and Pecktown Store Road. The Highway Superintendent, Supervisor and council member Jeffrey Galley visited the site with a representative from Boulder Consultants.

**Historical Society –**

The county is looking for a proclamation from the Town of Pittsfield for our support of the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United States.

**Resolution # 43 of 2024** – Sign the Proclamation in support of the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United States.

**Motion:** Liam Keyes

**Seconded:** Carl Tice

**Carried:**4/0/1

**Planning Board –** Paul Stein

No report but there is still an open alternate position available.

**Comprehensive Plan –** Liam Keyes

Liam is requesting the board review the Comprehensive plan regarding the language, discuss changes, and would like it approved at the January 2025 meeting. After it's approved by the town board, a mailing will go out to every resident in Pittsfield which includes a copy of the document, cover letter, and notice of a public hearing. If no one shows up to the public hearing, we will schedule another public hearing. If no one shows up to that, it could be up to the town board to approve the plan and protect our community. We won't get grant money if this isn't approved. The Comprehensive plan is important for farming and the community.

**Animal Control –** Julie Poulech

The SPCA contract is up for renewal. There is an increase in the fee to \$2,500. They have offered to let us pay quarterly or annually. It was decided to pay annually.

**Resolution # 44 of 2024** – Sign the SPCA Contract

**Motion:** Liam Keyes

**Seconded:** Lisa Jackson

**Carried:** 4/0/1

The town clerk brought up the number of dogs that are licensed in Pittsfield and feels that there are a lot more dogs that need to be licensed. It was discussed to have a dog numeration. It was said that Morris did a numeration. The clerk will look into this.

**Assessor –** Sherri Falcone

The supervisor had a meeting with the revaluation company. It's going as planned. Mailings will start going out in February 2025 and meetings between ENPM and the community will take place before mid-April at the Town Hall.

Our current equalization rate is 42.24%. There are 2 other townships that are lower than Pittsfield. It's clear that we are doing the right thing by having a revaluation of properties. Grievance Day is June 2, 2025 but please go through the proper channels, like meeting with ENPM before grievance day.



**The December 10, 2024 meeting minutes were taken and typed by Sandra Clapperton, Town Clerk.**

**\*\*\* Please note that there were discussions from community members to the town board after the meeting was adjourned. Since the meeting was adjourned, these discussions are omitted from the meeting minutes, and they were not recorded. \*\*\***