

PISECO COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT
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Legal Notice

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION FOR THE PISECO COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT; TOWNS OF ARIETTA AND MOREHOUSE OF HAMILTON COUNTY, NEW YORK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Hearing on the proposed 2023-24 Budget for the Piseco Common School District shall be held in the Piseco Elementary School, 1722 Route 8, Piseco, NY 12139 on Thursday, May 4, 2023 at 6:00 PM.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that the election of candidates to the Piseco Common School District Board of Trustees and the budget vote will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 from 12:00 PM Noon through 8:00 PM prevailing time at the Piseco Elementary School, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by paper ballot on the following items:

1. To adopt the annual budget of the Piseco Common School District for the fiscal year 2023-2024 and to authorize the requisite portion therefore to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.
2. To elect one (1) member of the Board of Trustees for a three (3) year term commencing July 1, 2023 and expiring on June 30, 2026. The incumbent is Susan Casey, whose term expires on June 30, 2023.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the Piseco Common School District's budget for 2023-2024, exclusive public monies, may be obtained by any resident by calling the District at 518-548-7555 during business hours beginning May 2, 2023.

The election and budget vote shall be by paper ballot or absentee ballot. The vote shall occur between the hours of 12:00 PM to 8:00 PM in said district or for as long thereafter as necessary to enable qualified voters who are in the polling place at 8:00 PM to cast their ballots. The District will count and record the written ayes and noes of the qualified voters immediately following the close of polls.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that petitions nominating candidates for the office of Member of the Board of Trustees shall be filed with the District Clerk of said School District main office not later than 4:00 PM on April 17, 2023. Each petition must be directed to the District Clerk and shall be signed by at least 25 voters of the District and must state the name and residence of the candidate. A copy of such petition may be obtained at the Piseco Elementary School office during regular school hours with the exception of Saturdays and Sundays. A copy of such petition may also be on the district's website pisecoschool.com. The petition shall describe at least the length of the term of office and contain the name of the last incumbent, must

state the name and residence of each signer, and must state the name and residence of the candidate.

Applications for absentee ballots are available April 24, 2023 by calling the Piseco Common School District at 518-548-7555. Calls may be received Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 pm local time or you may leave a message. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk by May 9, 2023 if the ballot is to be received by mail, or May 15, 2023 if the ballot is for hand delivery. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5:00 PM on May 16, 2023. The Education Law makes special provisions for absentee voting by "permanently disabled" voters of the District and any questions regarding these rights should be directed to the Clerk of the Board. A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued are available by request by calling Piseco Common School District office from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. local time on each of the five days prior to the vote except Saturday, May 13, 2023 and Sunday, May 14, 2023. Any qualified voter may challenge the acceptance of the ballot of any person on such list by making his challenge and reasons therefore known to the Inspector of Elections before the close of the polls.

The Education Law also makes special provisions for the absentee voting for "military" voters of the District. Specifically, the law provides a unique procedure for "military ballots" in school district votes. Whereas absentee ballot applications and absentee ballots must be received by the voter by mail, email or facsimile. The military voter must, however, return his/her original military ballot application and military ballot by mail or in person. The Clerk of the Board shall transmit the military voter's military ballot in accord with the military voter's preferred method of transmission, or if no preferred method is identified by mail, not later than 25 days before the vote. The Clerk of the Board must then receive the military voter's military ballot by mail or in person not later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the vote.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the qualified voters of the School District shall be entitled to vote in said annual vote and election. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen (18) years of age or older, and (3) a resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the annual vote and election. The School District may require all persons offering to vote at the budget vote and election to provide one form of proof of residency pursuant to Education Law section 2018-c. Such form may include a driver's license, a non-driver identification card or a voter registration card. Upon offer of proof of residency, the School District may also require all persons offering to vote to provide their signature, printed name and address.

Dated: March 10, 2023
Victoria Orr, District Clerk
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