



Village of Pinckney  
Regular Council Meeting Minutes  
April 27, 2026

President Buerman called the meeting to order in Village Council Chambers at 220 S. Howell, Pinckney, at 7:00 p.m. on April 27, 2026.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Present:** Bierman, Conquest, Coppersmith, Self, and President Buerman

**Also Present:** McCall (Village Clerk), Jim Jensen (Putnam Twp Trustee and Putnam Liaison to the Village), and approximately 7 members of public.

**Absent:** Kane

**OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT at 7:00pm.** Holly Stebbens spoke in support of the Leaf/Brush Program, and had questions about the delinquent utility list. Public comment closed at 7:02pm.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion to approve by Self, Second by Bierman. Motion passes in a unanimous roll call vote.

**PRESIDENT'S/VILLAGE MANAGER/ZONING ADMINISTRATOR REPORT:**

- President Buerman read a written update

**PUTNAM TOWNSHIP REPORT:** Jim Jensen reporting:

- Ribbon Cutting this Saturday for the new EMS building
- Firehouse Open House this Saturday
- Flashing light at corner of Toma and Patterson Lake Rd is coming soon.

**REVIEW OF VILLAGE TRUSTEE APPLICATIONS.** President Buerman recommended Trisha Wagner to the vacant Council Trustee position. Motion to approve by Bierman, seconded by Coppersmith. Motion passes in a unanimous roll call vote. Trisha Wagner was officially sworn in by Clerk McCall.

**RESOLUTION TO AMEND 51.11 WATER BILL ENFORCEMENT:** After some discussion, there was a motion to table by Coppersmith, Second by Bierman. Motion to table carried after a unanimous roll call vote.

**RESOLUTION TO RAISE WATER AND SEWER RATES BY 10%.** Motion to accept by Self, and with no one wishing to second, the motion dies.

**RESOLUTION TO CREATE RENTAL HOUSING INSPECTION PROGRAM UNDER VILLAGE CODE CHAPTER 155:** After discussion, motion to table by Coppersmith, second by Bierman. Motion passes.

**DISCUSSION: DISCONTINUING DPW LEAF & BRUSH PROGRAM.** Possible cost saving alternatives to discontinuing were suggested: cutting frequency down to once a month, offer an on-demand pickup for a fee, and possibly offer a drop-off option.

DISCUSSION: MARIJUANA LICENSE TRANSFER AGREEMENT. President Buerman asked if everyone had read the agreement that was previously voted on at the last Council Meeting, and unless anyone had any questions, he would sign it and send it out.

PUBLIC FORUM opened at 8:02 p.m. Jim Jensen supports a marketing campaign to make village residents aware of their leaf/brush pick up options through Granger. Holly Stebbens supports changing leaf and brush pickup to once a month but does not support self drop off as it invites others outside of the village to dump there. Public forum closed at 8:07 p.m.

President Buerman announced he will be adding a special meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm. With no further comments or concerns, meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Approval date \_\_\_\_\_

Village President J. Buerman \_\_\_\_\_

Village Clerk A. McCall \_\_\_\_\_

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