



Village of Pinckney
Regular Council Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2026

President Buerman called the meeting to order in Village Council Chambers at 220 S. Howell, Pinckney, at 7:00 p.m. on May 11, 2026.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Conquest, Coppersmith, Kane, Self, Wagner and President Buerman
Also Present: Garrison (Police Chief), Moma (DPW Director), McCall (Village Clerk), Jim Jensen (Putnam Twp Trustee and Putnam Liaison to the Village), and approximately 14 members of public, including entire DPW staff.
Absent: Bierman

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT at 7:01pm. Ray Rau spoke against the proposed bereavement/sick policy. Michael Hughes spoke in favor of tabling the resolutions regarding vacation/PTO time until a better solution is available. Linda Lavey read a statement against all of the proposed resolutions regarding PTO and Salaried workers, understanding that budget must be balanced, but not on the backs of our employees. Don Bedwell spoke in support of tabling the proposed PTO policy and to reconsider the effects of the resolutions on long time employees. Public comment closed at 7:12pm.

ADD ITEM TO AGENDA: President Buerman suggested adding an appointment to DDA vacancy as #2 on the agenda. Motion to approve by Kane, second by Wagner. Motion passes in a unanimous roll call vote.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion to approve by Coppersmith, Second by Self. 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 reports that the township is also working on their budget.

DPW REPORT: Moma reports that the new radios are currently being installed in village homes.

PPD REPORT: Chief Garrison reports updates on several cases.

SWEARING IN OF RESERVE OFFICER ZYGNER: Ofc. Zygnier was officially sworn in by Clerk McCall.

APPOINTMENT OF SHADIA ZAMLUT TO THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT BOARD: After President Buerman made his recommendation of Ms. Zalmut, Coppersmith made a motion to accept, second by Self. Motion carries in a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION DRAFT REGARDING VACATION: Motion to table by Self, and with no one wishing to second, the motion dies. No further discussion took place.

RESOLUTION DRAFT REGARDING PTO: Motion to table by Coppersmith, second by Wagner.
Votes as follows:

Self	Yay
Coppersmith	Yay
Kane	No
Conquest	Yay
Wagner	Yay
Buerman	No

Motion passes.

RESOLUTION REGARDING SALARIED EMPLOYEES: After lengthy discussion, there was a motion to accept as is by Wagner, seconded by Self. Votes were as follows:

Self	Yay
Coppersmith	Yay
Kane	Yay
Conquest	No
Wagner	Yay
Buerman	Yay

Motion passes.

RESOLUTION: ZONING ESCROW STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE. Motion by Self to approve, second by Kane. Motion passes in a unanimous roll call vote.

2026 L-4027 MILLAGE REQUEST TO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS: Discussion was suspended until after public hearing on May 18.

PUBLIC FORUM opened at 8:21 p.m. Linda Lavey expressed disappointment in the Council's vote regarding Salaried Employees. Public forum closed at 8:22 p.m.

With no further comments or concerns, meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Approval date _____

Village President J. Buerman _____

Village Clerk A. McCall _____