



## Village of Pinckney Regular Council Meeting Minutes June 23, 2025

President Buerman called the meeting to order in Village Council Chambers at 220 S. Howell, Pinckney, at 7:00 p.m. on June 23, 2025.

### ROLL CALL:

Present: Bierman, Conquest, Coppersmith, Hochertz, Kane, Self and Buerman  
Also Present: Stoker (Village Lawyer), McCall (Village Clerk), Jim Jensen (Putnam Township Village Liaison) and approximately 4 members of the public.

### PUBLIC FORUM:

Public forum opened at 7:01 p.m. Bree Kraut noted that the Lakeland Trail was severely lacking in trash receptacles. She noted there is one at the train depot in the village, and then none until you reach Hamburg Township. Public forum closed at 7:03 p.m.

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

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Food Truck Friday was a huge success. Chuck Colby from the Sun Times will be covering the village once he gets more advertisers from the village. Hootin in the Park will begin Thursdays in July and August. There will be a 5% increase in water rates in the village to cover rising costs.

PUTNAM TOWNSHIP REPORT: Jensen stated that Putnam Township recently passed their annual budget.

PUBLIC HEARING: VILLAGE BUDGET: Opened at 7:11. Linda Lavey was upset that the public hearing was not posted in a local paper, as the Sun Times is not yet available in the village.

FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT: Motion to accept the budget as is, with one correction to Miscellaneous column in Dept 272 by Coppersmith, second by Bierman. Motion carries in a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS (PLANNING COMMISSION): Motion to accept by Bierman, seconded by Self. Motion carries in a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS (CLERK, DEPUTY CLERK, TREASURER): Motion to accept by Hochertz, seconded by Self. Motion carries in a unanimous roll call vote.

DDA APPOINTMENT OF MARTINA FENECH: Motion to approve by Bierman, second by Coppersmith. Motion carries in a unanimous roll call vote.

RESOLUTION TO RAISE CEMETERY FEES FOR NON-VILLAGE TAXPAYERS: Motion to accept by Self, second by Kane. Motion carries in a unanimous roll call vote.

MOTION TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION to discuss Police Union negotiations by Kane, second by Bierman. Motion carries in a unanimous roll call vote.

Council went into closed session.

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MOTION TO GO INTO OPEN SESSION by Kane, second by Bierman. Motion carries in a unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC FORUM opened at 8:10. Julie Amy reflected back on the past year of the council and gave her praise. She then extensively praised Village President Jeff Buerman and the tough decisions he has had to make this year. Mike Szafranski wanted to thank the village on behalf of the PPHH Chamber for a very successful Food Truck Friday. Linda Lavey spoke in support of the Food Truck Friday band stopping at 8 p.m.

With no further comments or concerns, meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

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

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

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