

**Village of Annawan**  
Special Meeting Minutes April 21, 2026  
Annawan Village Hall  
6:30 PM

The Annawan Village Board met at 6:32 PM on April 21, 2026 in the Annawan Village Hall Board Room.

**Present:** Tim Wise, John Rico, Matt Nordstrom, John Davis, Kate Sturtewagen, Bob Shrum and Kim Nordstrom were present.

**Absent:** N/A

**Others Present:** Jamie Specht, Tara Walters, and Rylie Smith

The Board reviewed a Thank You card from Garrett Paxton.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Prior Month's Minutes**

Kim Nordstrom made a motion to accept the March meeting minutes, with a second from Matt Nordstrom. Unanimous vote to accept the March minutes.

6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

Matt Nordstrom made a motion to accept the April regular meeting minutes, with a second from Kate Sturtewagen. Unanimous vote to accept the April regular meeting minutes.

6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

**Monthly Bills**

Kate Sturtewagen made a motion to accept the monthly bills, with a second from Matt Nordstrom.

Unanimous vote in favor of accepting the monthly bills.

6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

**Police Report**

No Police Report this month.

**Parks and Recreation Report**

The Parks and Rec report was distributed. It was the same report from the April regular meeting.

**Old Business:**

**EPA - MSA Project Summary and Preliminary EPA Impacts Determination - Tara Walters**

Tara Walters presented an update on the water and wastewater projects. The wastewater project will be in line for project funding for this fiscal year. The water project requires a public hearing. Bypass funding is an option for the water project - however, principal forgiveness is not available during this period. Otherwise, we are looking towards June/July 2027 for the water project

funding. The program currently has up to 30% principal forgiveness. Interest rates will come out in July, they are estimated around 2%. There is no penalty for early payoff.

Tara Walters left after this presentation at 6:47pm.

### **Water/Sewer/Garbage Rate Increase**

Discussion was held over water/sewer/garbage rates. Currently, Annawan rates are: water - \$12.50, sewer - \$13.50, garbage - \$15.00. The village is currently losing \$3.64 per household per month on garbage collection. The Board reviewed water/sewer/garbage rates of other towns in the nearby region.

Bob Shrum made a motion to raise the cost of regular garbage collection to \$20 per month. Kim Nordstrom seconded. 6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

Discussion was held over current dumpster pricing. Pricing is currently inconsistent. Discussion will continue next meeting when further information is gathered from Public Works regarding dumpster sizes and how much the village is charged for the dumpsters.

### **New Business**

#### **Public Works Loan**

A Public Works loan is needed to cover current expenses, including planning and design costs for the water and wastewater projects through MSA.

John Davis made a motion to approve a Public Works loan from People's National Bank for up to \$240,000 at a 4.9% interest rate. Bob Shrum seconded. 6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

#### **Resolution #133 - Community Center Loan Payment Transfer**

Matt Nordstrom made a motion to pass Resolution 133, with a second from Bob Shrum.

#### **Voice Vote**

Ayes: Kate Sturtewagen, Kim Nordstrom, Matt Nordstrom, Bob Shrum, John Davis, John Rico

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Motion passed.

#### **Resolution #134 - Public Works Forgiveness**

Kim Nordstrom made a motion to pass Resolution 134, with a second from John Davis.

#### **Voice Vote**

Ayes: Kate Sturtewagen, Kim Nordstrom, Matt Nordstrom, Bob Shrum, John Davis, John Rico

Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Absent: 0  
Motion passed.

**Resolution #135 - Pay from TIF1 and 2 to General for 1/3 of the cost of the 2025 audit**

John Rico made a motion to pass Resolution 135, with a second from Kate Sturtewagen.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Kate Sturtewagen, Kim Nordstrom, Matt Nordstrom, Bob Shrum, John Davis, John Rico  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Absent: 0  
Motion passed.

**Resolution #136 - TIF Authorization - Specht Construction**

Bob Shrum made a motion to pass Resolution 136, with a second from Kim Nordstrom.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Kate Sturtewagen, Kim Nordstrom, Matt Nordstrom, Bob Shrum, John Davis, John Rico  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Absent: 0  
Motion passed.

**Resolution #137 - TIF Authorization - Paxton's Middle Coop**

Kim Nordstrom made a motion to pass Resolution 137, with a second from John Davis.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Kate Sturtewagen, Kim Nordstrom, Matt Nordstrom, Bob Shrum, John Davis, John Rico  
Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Absent: 0  
Motion passed.

**Resolution #138 - Fun Day Road Closure**

Matt Nordstrom made a motion to pass Resolution 138, with a second from Kate Sturtewagen.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Kate Sturtewagen, Kim Nordstrom, Matt Nordstrom, Bob Shrum, John Davis, John Rico

Nays: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Absent: 0  
Motion passed.

**Resolution #139 - TIF Authorization - Ark Hotels, Inc**

Bob Shrum made a motion to pass Resolution 139, with a second from John Davis.

Voice Vote

Ayes: Kate Sturtewagen, Matt Nordstrom, Bob Shrum, John Davis, John Rico

Nays: 0  
Abstain: Kim Nordstrom  
Absent: 0  
Motion passed.

**Committee Assignments**

Committee assignments were reviewed again. Tim Wise was removed from the Finance Committee and the Police Committee so that there are 3 on each committee.

Finance Committee

- Matt Nordstrom - Chair
- Kate Sturtewagen
- John Rico

Public Works Committee

- John Rico - Chair
- Matt Nordstrom
- John Davis

Parks & Rec Committee

- Kim Nordstrom - Chair
- Kate Sturtewagen
- Bob Shrum

Police Committee

- Bob Shrum - Chair
- John Davis
- Kim Nordstrom

Kim Nordstrom made a motion to move into Executive Session, with a second from Kate

Sturtewagen. 7:36pm Enter into Executive session.

**Executive Session**

**New Salary Schedule for 2026/2027**

Discussion was held over the 2026/2027 salary schedule for employees.

**Health Insurance - Rates and Reimbursements Discussion**

Health Insurance rates and reimbursements were discussed.

John Davis made a motion to exit Executive Session, with a second from Kim Nordstrom.

8:14pm Enter back into regular session.

**Regular Session**

Kim Nordstrom made a motion to increase Austin Hewitt's salary by 3%, with a second from Kate Sturtewagen.

6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

Kim Nordstrom made a motion to increase Maddie Mackey's salary by 3%, with a second from Matt Nordstrom.

6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

Kim Nordstrom made a motion to increase Bill Barnes salary by 3%, with a second from John Davis.

6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

Kim Nordstrom made a motion for the clerk, deputy clerk, and treasurer to be paid \$23 per hour, with a second from Matt Nordstrom.

6 AYES ; 0 NAYS Motion passed.

**Notes/Discussion**

- Flags, banners and bunting were discussed to celebrate the Nation's 250th anniversary
- The Parish Hall will be demolished before or shortly after Fun Days
- Health Insurance rates are estimated to increase 20% this year

With no other business to be discussed, Matt Nordstrom made a motion to adjourn the meeting, with a second from Kate Sturtewagen. 6 AYES ; 0 NAYS

Adjourned at 8:17pm

Deputy Clerk  
Rylie Smith