

Village of Higginsport
Village Council Meeting
May 11, 2026

The Council of the Village of Higginsport met in regular session at the Village Municipal Building on Monday, May 11, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. with all members present except for Matt Adams.

Also, present: Police Chief Shawn Elliott, Fire Chief Rob Starrett, Dean Miracle, Sandy Bear, Duane Germann, Tina Germann, Peggy Wood and Eddie Crawford.

Council President Mark Fester called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Mark Fester and **Second by:** Patrick Elliott for Council to enter executive session.

Vote: Ms. Fester: Yes; Mr. Null: Yes, Ms. Adams: Yes; Mr. Adams, absent.

Public Participation

Peggy Wood provided update regarding the America 250 celebration.

Police Department Report:

Chief Elliott provided update regarding the village clean up days and provided the process for registering a golf cart in the village. Council was advised that the police vehicle will need maintenance soon.

Fire Department Report:

Chief Starett provided results for this year's Village and Township clean up days. Submitted invoices for payment regarding the pump and maintenance testing. The Chief is to provide the village/county building inspection agreement forms to Mark Fester for review.

New Business

Resolution 26-04

Motion by: Mark Fester Seconded by: Scott Null

WHEREAS the Council discussed and agreed to increase the compensation of the Police Chief and to provide a yearly clothing allowance.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Village Council approved the hourly rate of the Police Chief to be increased by \$1.00 and a yearly clothing allowance to be set at \$600, effective immediately.

Vote: Mrs. Adams, Yes; Mr. Fester, Yes; Mrs. Fester, Yes; Mr. Null, Yes; Mr. Patrick Elliott abstained from voting, Mr. Adams, absent.

Resolution 26-05

Motion by: Scott Null Seconded by: Mark Fester

WHEREAS the Council discussed and agreed to increase the compensation of the month-to-month contract of the sewer manager Greg Wilson.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Village Council approved the month-to-month contract hourly rate for Greg Wilson to be increased from \$45.00 to \$55.00, effective immediately.

Mark Fester reported that the Village will receive the grant money in late July to fund the sewer repairs. The Council will speak with Greg Wilson regarding administrative set up.

Vote: Mrs. Adams, Yes; Mrs. Fester, Yes; Mr. Elliott, Yes; Mr. Adams, absent.

Motion by: Mark Fester **Seconded by:** Scott Null to pay village bills. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by: Scott Null **Seconded by:** Mark Fester to approve the April minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by: Mark Fester **Seconded by:** Patrick Elliott to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.