

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF A PUBLIC MEETING HELD MAY 11, 2026**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on May 11, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Andrews Town Hall in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Laura Dillon and Michael Dean Young were in attendance. Roger Newsome, Jr. was not present. Clerk-Treasurer Laury Powell declared a quorum was present and the meeting would continue. Dillon congratulated Young on successfully completing 16 weeks of training for his new job.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Dean Young made a motion to approve council minutes for a Regular Session held on April 27, 2026. Laura Dillon seconded the motion, which was approved 2-0.

PUBLIC HEARING: ORD. 2026-04 ADD'L APPROPRIATION RTX SETTLEMENT FUND

The public hearing opened at 6:01 p.m. Laura Dillon read the ordinance and stated this action will give the Town authorization from the state to use the \$7,740,200.00 received into the RTX – Andrews Settlement Fund. With no questions or comments from attendees, the public hearing closed at 6:02 p.m. Dean Young made a motion to accept Ordinance 2026-04 on its first read. Laura Dillon seconded the motion, which passed 2-0. Young made a motion to suspend the rules and pass Ordinance 2026-04 on its second read at the same meeting. Dillon seconded the motion, which was approved 2-0. Dillon read the ordinance synopsis for a second time. Dean Young made a motion to pass Ordinance 2026-04, Additional Appropriation to the RTX – Andrews Settlement Fund, on its second read. Laura Dillon seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously, 2-0.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

Powell said she was contacted by a Surf Internet regional development manager expressing interest in bringing fiber optic service to the Town.

Laura Dillon reported the Town is waiting on official results and approval from IDEM before proceeding with a south well field site. Council member Newsome, along with town employees Colin Bullock and John Harshbarger, have begun sifting through engineering group options ahead of the full council's review and deliberation to select the best engineering group to head up the prospective project.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department: Town Marshal Josh Platt reported that all citation warnings have been corrected except for two involving abandoned properties, which the Town will abate within ten days. He is also applying for the Norfolk Southern Safety Grant to help cover the cost of two additional AEDs, one for Town Hall and one for the reserve vehicle. He also noted a Norfolk Southern Community Improvement Grant opportunity.

Fire Department: Young reported on the department's tenderloin dinner held this past Saturday. He also noted that INDOT's SR 105/N Main St bridge closure is scheduled to begin May 19 and last two weeks.

Utility Department: Colin Bullock reported that mowing season is underway, park work is planned, and work on the wastewater plant headworks has been completed.

Clerk-Treasurer: Laury Powell had nothing additional to report.

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CLAIMS

Dean Young made a motion to approve the claims as presented, which was seconded by Laura Dillon. The motion was approved 2-0.

OTHER BUSINESS & PUBLIC COMMENT

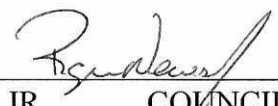
Cathy Johnson, 215 S Main St, presented two project ideas for possible submission to the Andrews Hometown Endowment Fund, pending council support. The first was a larger "Welcome to Andrews" sign on the north side of town to replace the existing sign, which she would relocate to the east end near the school. The second was a large electronic sign next to Town Hall to display community information for the Town, Fire Department, and Andrews Elementary School. As an example, she shared an image of a similar sign in Roanoke that cost \$26,000.00 two years ago. The council took no action, preferring to wait until all members were present.

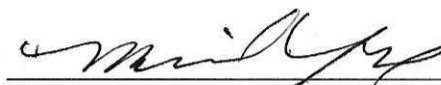
Neal Snyder, 55 N Main St, offered to donate seven USA 250 American flags to the Town and declined the Town's offer to purchase them, provided the Town can hang them beneath the current downtown banners. Council members and Colin Bullock agreed to work with Snyder to make this happen for the Fourth of July 250th anniversary celebration.

With no further business, Young motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m., seconded by Dillon.

Approved this 26th day of May 2026.

APPROVED BY  as
LAURA A. DILLON COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY  as
ROGER NEWSOME, JR. COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY  as
MICHAEL D. YOUNG COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY  as
LAURY L. POWELL CLERK-TREASURER