

MINUTES FROM THE
SPECIAL ANTWERP TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026
6:00 PM

Supervisor Ruzick called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Members Present: Daniel J. Ruzick-Supervisor, Chantel Reyna-Clerk, Bonnie Osborne-Treasurer, Bruce Cutting-Trustee, Phil Tarchala -Trustee

Board Members Absent:

Also Present: Three guests

Motion by Tarchala, second by Osborne to approve agenda as presented. All voted in favor. Motion carries.

New Business:

a. Overview of 2026-2027 budget. Highlights include:

<u>REVENUES</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>	<u>2026-2027</u>	<u>% Change</u>
• General Fund	\$2,028,250	\$2,144,850	5.75%
• Road Millage	\$525,760	\$600,760	14.27%
• Mattawan Fire Department	\$719,621	\$824,692	14.60%
• Lawton Fire Department	\$259,500	\$359,500	38.54%
○ Antwerp Township portion only			
• Paw Paw Fire Department	\$94,500	\$98,500	4.23%
○ Antwerp Township portion only			
• Senior Services	\$312,500	\$334,000	6.88%
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>	<u>% Change</u>
• General Fund:	\$1,985,555	\$2,188,159	10.20%
• Road Millage	\$450,000	\$450,000	No Change
• Mattawan Fire Department	\$611,200	\$769,200	25.85%
• Lawton Fire Department	\$250,800	\$250,800	No Change
○ Antwerp Township portion only			
• Paw Paw Fire Department	\$72,500	\$88,500	22.07%
○ Antwerp Township portion only			
• Senior Services	\$248,105	\$276,600	11.49%

- All ARPA funds have been allocated and disbursed.
- Interest revenues are expected to increase this fiscal year.
- Board approved 5% salary increase for all Township employees.
- Road millage revenues increase due to increase in taxable values.
- Mattawan Fire expenditures increase due to capital improvement projects.
- Senior Services meal budget increase due to increased costs

Public Comments:

Resident: Suggested spending money on activities that bring children together rather than the trail.

Resident: Why is the Township not removing library for non payment of capital improvements to their building? An invoice should be sent for \$25,000 for non payment over the last five years.

Resident: Why did the Board receive a 5% increase?

Motion by Osborne, second by Reyna to adjourn. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Chantel Reyna /Clerk