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Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held January 20, 2026, at 7:00 P.M. Present in Council Chambers were Chairman Dembinski, Mr. Nahorn, Mr. Wachholz, Mr. Mowcomber, Mr. Janik, Mr. Winiarski, Ms. Harmych, Council President Wasilk, Mayor Costilow, Auditor Phillips, Treasurer Miller, Law Director Pecora. Mr. Jeffreys was absent and had a letter on file. Mr. Nahorn motioned to excuse Mr. Jeffreys as he had a letter on file. Seconded by Ms. Harmych. Voice vote 7-0 to excuse.

A-26-05 Ordinance establishing and implementing a program to charge mitigation rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services for services provided/rendered by/for the City of Amherst fire department

Mayor Costilow explained the reason for the ordinance. This is a way to recoup some costs without raising taxes. The proposed rates are close to the billing for Amherst Township. We would need to find a billing company to handle the billing. Mr. Winiarski asked if this is for vehicle accidents or everything. Mayor Costilow said maybe we start with MVIs and move to fire and others. Mr. Mowcomber asked about soft bills being added to the ordinance. Mayor Costilow agreed that this can be added.

Mr. Janik asked about section 2 and how billing would be handled. Mayor Costilow said that is the section that would be changed to add the soft billing. Mr. Janik asked if we could not bill if there is a loss of life and Mayor Costilow said that would be handled by the insurance companies.

Mr. Nahorn motioned to send this to the floor of council. Seconded by Mr. Winiarski. Voice vote 7-0 to send to the floor of council.

Mr. Winiarski motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Nahorn. Vote 7-0 to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Brian Dembinski, Chairman  
Finance Committee