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Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting held February 16, 2026, at 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, Assistant Law Director Ward, Mr. Jeffreys.

A-26-12 2026 Permanent Budget. Due to Lorain County Auditor by 4/10/26

Mayor Costilow went over the budget highlights. The savings from the highway lawsuit will allow us to purchase another truck. There will be some discussion on sidewalk later in the year. The police are entering into a drone program but will be reimbursed by a grant. There is a small charge to the clothing allowance. The Chair asked about the drone company and Mayor answered that the police chief is working on that. He will be asking for a committee meeting to approve the grant. Mr. Mowcomber asked if we plan on any large changes on part time employees becoming full time and Mayor Costilow said there might be some small changes. Mr. Mowcomber asked about large infrastructure and the Mayor replied they are already in the budget.

Mr. Wachholz is looking forward to the sidewalk improvements.

Mr. Winiarski asked about projected revenue and Mayor said they will be mostly flat. We lost some large business with Nordson but our small business increase has been strong. Mr. Winiarski said the city carryover should be good for about 7 months which is a good amount.

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

Mr. Wachholz motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Ms. Harmych. Vote 7-0 to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Brian Dembinski, Chairman
Finance Committee