

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Minutes of the Vermilion City Council Meeting

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GOVERNMENT FORMS & SUPPLIES 844-224-3338 FORM NO. 10148

Monday, June 15, 2026

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CALL TO ORDER:

Jeff Lucas, President of Council called the Monday, June 15, 2026, Vermilion City Council Meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The members of the City Council, the administrative staff, and audience members recited the Pledge of Allegiance; a moment of silence followed.

ROLL CALL:

Vermilion City Council: Jeff Lucas, President of Council; Gary Howell, Council at Large; John Gabriel, Ward One; Greg Drew, Ward Two; Drew Werley, Ward Three; Homer Taft, Ward Four; Alec Bonawit, Ward Five; Melanie Wood, Clerk of Council.

Administrative Staff: Mayor Owens; Chris Howard, City Engineer; Chad Angney, Finance Director; Tony Pecora; Law Director; Scott Orille, Assistant Law Director.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Alec Bonawit MOVED: G. Howell seconded to approve the June 1, 2026, Vermilion City Council meeting minutes. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL REPORT: No Report

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance:

D. Werley reported that the next meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Port Authority:

D. Werley reported on the meeting held June 11, 2026. The next meeting is scheduled for July 9, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Utilities:

Alec Bonawit reported on the meeting held June 1, 2026. The next meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Historic Design & Review:

Alec Bonawit reported on the meeting held June 3, 2026. The next meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Vermilion Tree Commission:

Alec Bonawit reported on the meeting held June 10, 2026. The next meeting is scheduled for July 15, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

H. Taft said with \$2,000 left and his memory is there are more trees that need to be cut, should they be asking them or considering increasing the budget to do a few more? A. Bonawit answered that they are going to

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review and look at the trees to see if there are any major concerns coming up that may need attention. If so, they will come to Council to address it and ask for additional funds for those projects.

Legislative:

G. Drew reported the next meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Parks & Recreation:

G. Drew reported the next meeting is scheduled for June 16, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Health & Safety:

G. Howell reported on the meeting held June 1, 2026. The next meeting is scheduled for July 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Planning Commission:

G. Howell reported on the meeting held June 3, 2026. The next meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Main Street Vermilion:

J. Gabriel reported that Main Street Vermilion continues it's anniversary summer and all the events and opportunities for volunteerism can be found at mainstreetvermilion.org.

Streets, Buildings & Grounds:

H. Taft reported the next meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Stormwater Advisory Board: No Report.

Zoning Board of Appeals:

H. Taft reported that the next meeting is scheduled for June 23, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

MAYOR/SAFETY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Owens reported on the following in conjunction with his submitted report as follows:

For me, it's been a quite busy couple of weeks since my last report. But first, yesterday, Vermilion, and all cities and towns across our great Country, observed Flag Day. And the unexpected huge thunderstorm as its backdrop. But this year that observance holds a special significance as we prepare and celebrate our Nation's 250th Birthday. For two and a half centuries our magnificent flag has flown as a symbol of liberty, perseverance and hope, as it represents, the freedoms, sacrifices and shared values that define America. Our flag should always pause us to reflect on the courage and vision of those who founded our Nation and the responsibility we all have to preserve it for future generations. So, let all of the flags in Vermilion, including the ones so prominently placed along our appropriately named Liberty Ave., show that the strength of America is found not only in our history...but in our neighbors, our families, and our commitment to one another. In that spirit I would like to thank the "Flags on Liberty" volunteers and in memory of one of its founding members, Paul Habermehl, for all of their great efforts.

As most of you know Vermilion will be holding its annual Festival of the Fish parade and festivities this weekend and know that I am praying for good weather and a safe and fun weekend!

As I have mentioned in my previous reports, this administration is committed to developing a strong partnership with both Lorain and Erie Counties. I have literally spent hundreds of hours with in-person meetings, phone calls and facility tours, since taking office in January. The Commissioners of both Counties are working hard to help Vermilion in its efforts to address infrastructure financial needs, as well as helping

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to fund various other projects the City has.. including our parks, our parking lots (or lack thereof) and other commerce-related opportunities. We have also been working with our State legislators from both Houses again focusing on State help for infrastructure needs.

Last week the City received confirmation of a State grant for Showse Park to help build and resurface basketball and pickle ball courts amongst other things that I am sure Jeff can better delineate! But a huge thank you to Representative Gayle Manning for her continuing care and support for Vermilion! Last week Erie County Development Director, Rachel Ruffer, visited and toured with me Main Street Beach and Sherrod Park. We are hoping to get some funds from Erie County to re-pave both parking lots at Sherrod Park. So, we keep our fingers crossed until that happens.

Having said that, I had the privilege of attending my friend Councilman Taft's Town Hall or Ward Hall, whatever you want to call it, last Wednesday at the VOL Clubhouse. It was very well attended, and his constituents were impressive in their number and with their concerns and questions. I want to publicly thank Homer for his efforts to inform and engage our citizens and for the great pizzas he provided from Pizza Galley....I'm not sure if they showed up for the Homer....or just for the pizza!!!! In listening to those that attended, they had serious questions about serious issues that funding for our parks simply do not address. Although separate issues from our park's improvement projects, I worry that they feel our priorities are not in line with their needs. That their City is not listening. I assured them, as I can assure all of our citizens, you are not forgotten by me or my administration or even this Council.

The challenge has always been and will always be money, and the dire lack thereof. The City has over 70 miles of streets....and to say that most are in disrepair would certainly be a gross understatement. The minimal amount of funds that we did have for our streets repair, were drastically cut by this body last year. The reasons for such cuts can be reasonably well argued, yet there is a reality to that decision. We simply cannot fix, or repair, or replace our streets without the money to do so. Earlier this evening there were discussions regarding this fact. I recognize that the taxes and fees our Citizens pay are expected by them to be able to provide them the services (safety, water, sewers, and decent streets) they rightfully expect and deserve. Yet, the costs to replace and/or repair a street today is almost 4 times greater than it was just five years ago. The cost of upgrading and improving our wastewater plant is even greater. If you can believe that. So, it is my responsibility to find ways to increase our revenue to do such, without over burdening our Citizens. Our City only generates revenue through taxes and fees. And talk of getting grants from either the Federal, State or Counties will not address the local neighborhood streets that are so desperately in need of fixing. And although I have instituted new processes and programs around identifying conditions, and costs, and accountability of each, so that our citizens know we are serious about such, I question their support for unilaterally raising their taxes to do so.

Most on Council are aware of my desire to put a good portion or share of the burden of funding our street improvements on the 400-600K visitors that come to our City annually. I have been meeting with the Erie County Commissioners, their Treasurer, their attorneys and our attorneys in crafting a fair and equitable plan that would provide a consistent revenue stream solely dedicated to fixing our streets, the same streets that they travel on while here. Once the logistics, legalities, and final details of such are in place I will work with Council to get them ratified.

I have also recently met with our attorney's and revenue experts to explore other funding vehicles to replace designated neighborhood streets without implementing new taxes. Please know that the Erie County Commissioners and their Streets engineer visited our Valley View neighborhood with me 2 weeks ago, where I spoke to a few residents there. Erie County is totally aware of our bad situation as well and they are trying to figure a way to help.

But lest you think our roads are bad, everyone must know our wastewater plant and our collection system is worse. I have addressed this issue many times previously and we are well on our way to ultimately solving those challenges.

Lastly, last week I was asked if I would like to join the team that was going to climb up our water tower to replace the navigational light that sits atop of it.... what some 500ft in the air!!! Well, the better part of valor won the day, as I announced I was only there to "catch"and to offer some moral support! 4-5 hours later the team of Mike Rini, Peter Corigan, Jonathon Hauk, Marty Regeers, and John Young descended after

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successfully replacing the light bulb! That's a long way to go to change a light bulb I can tell you!! So just a huge shout out to those brave volunteers to keep our sailors and boaters safe out on our lake!

SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: No Report.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

C. Angney reported the March financials were emailed out last week and they are working on April now. Looking at current revenues, the first half properties were all received in April and they will see them in next month's activity. Those are all pretty much trending right on budget amounts he thinks they are within a percent or so there. Income tax collections year to date are about 5% under the budget amount. Comparative to this time last year, they are about 15% under. When he did the budget, he said he was taking a conservative estimate, and he left it kind of flat and that was why. When they had some changes as far as forgiveness, composition of our tax base and things like that, let alone other economic factors, he figured they would be flat. He thinks 5% is flat. Projecting out for the year, it comes out to about \$148,000 which is part of the reason they leave unappropriated funds in the general fund just in case they need to cover any shortage and they also didn't appropriate full amounts and that is why they don't do that either. Looking over some of the other funds, the street fund cash flow is a concern but not surprising when you are looking at March and coming out of the snow season, they tend to go through cash a little quicker than the funds are recognized in revenue, it will take a little bit to catch up. They did include the line items in the appropriations for that purpose because they felt that it may run short anyways and that reason is expenses continue to climb such as fuel costs and electricity. The revenue source is primarily gas taxes and those remain relatively flat in comparison to the expense so they are not going to be able to cut their way to being able to fund that accurately so there are some general funds support that comes into play.

As far as action items tonight, he has a new one from the Lorain County Auditor's Office. A couple of years ago, they implemented the process where rather than sending checks they were utilizing ACH transactions and as part of that they requested legislation from City Council that identify individuals that will be responsible for making updates to them with regards to bank information and things like that. Rather than using the position title which is consistent with all of our policies and Charter and everything else, they wanted to include the name of the individual as well since that has changed, they requested that we update that Resolution which is why you see that on tonight for a first reading. It makes no other changes to what they adopted previously other than adding his name and removing the name of his predecessor.

They have a vendor who provides their email filtering, and they submitted a quote for the Cyber Security House Bill. He has set it aside at this point, his position hasn't changed with regard to what he thinks they need to focus on before they leap into that. The estimate depending on the amount of service they get was anywhere from \$39,000 to \$61,500. He is leaving it sit; he has not accepted it and will not accept or move on it. When the time comes, Council will be well informed to what they believe should take place there. Other items on the agenda are third readings from what he talked about previously with cemetery contracts and the Brownhelm Fire contract.

G. Howell said he is not a number guy like the Finance Director but how is 5% flat? To him, 5% is 5%. He asked C. Angney to explain that to him. C. Angney answered when he did the budget predictions, he kept the estimates pretty flat, so he left them comparable to the prior years. The 5% is where they are at now, they are falling short. It has been pretty consistent with the year-to-date figure, and he looked at it in May. With the income tax, the monies that come in are not just when they file. Individuals make payments on estimated amounts due, and they get withholding from their larger employers. They will see an adjustment when returns come in and it is evident in their reports, it will show what the collections were to date and what the credits and refunds have been and what the amounts are. When you look at a 15% decrease comparable to a prior period, that is going to be impacted by credits claimed, wages, whether or not they had a significant change in the number of taxpayers which they have not. As far as the budget goes, it is within a range deviation, and he doesn't think they need to panic. G. Howell asked if it was not worrisome. C. Angney answered not at this point, it is concerning but it is not like they need to cut expenses in other areas because they already have a sufficient carry-over balance to weather that if they need to. When they adopted the appropriations, they looked at what the certified resources were, and they were well within those. He thinks they carried over unencumbered \$6 million so they are in ok shape there. G. Howell asked if they should start to worry between 5%-10%. C. Angney answered they worry when the unencumbered balance drops below what he thinks is a good threshold. He has said before that there are certain government and county

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agencies that say it should be a 6–9-month carryover balance. Others say that term is calculated based on how susceptible your revenue streams are to fluctuation and how much can a regulatory environment impact an expense side. He thinks 6-9 months is probably good, they spend about \$640,000 a month so they are looking at \$6.5 million as a high for carryover. What it allows you to do is if something large and unexpected comes they at least have sufficient carryover to address that. If they lost all the property tax, it is concerning but you can see that we can weather that for about 6-8 months hoping for the state to come up with a solution in the meantime. With the income tax, yes, it is down, he said the same thing in his budget talk that when it decreased from 2024 to 2025 and then it decreased it again in 2026 those losses become cumulative in nature so if you lost \$300,000 one year and used \$100,000 the next year, now you are down \$400,000. That becomes harder to pluck holes in budget three to five years out. Right now, it is concerning but they will keep an eye on it and when they budget for 2027, they will continue to look forward for that. Ideally, they get to a point where they can start forecasting out a little further and identify those trends quicker but at this point, he thinks they are fine.

G. Drew said he brought up the cyber security and that he had received a bid, so he has to ask, they are currently paying \$4,200 a month to a cyber security company, are they supposed to be doing what they need them to do? C. Angney said this is outside of the scope of those services in that contract agreement. Identifying what assets the city has and identifying where the risks are and identifying where they should be investing in those IT assets all kind of fall outside of that. Think of them like an antivirus which is kind of what that is covering. They check the firewall, they see how susceptible we are to intrusion and make sure the patches for security updates are applied. Primarily, they are screening emails to make sure that something doesn't come through and potentially have someone fall victim to a phishing scheme. It is outside of what those services would generally be – is what this cyber security policy is. G. Drew said currently we are paying \$150,000 to LORCO and \$50,000 a year to another company that is allegedly doing cyber security so potentially we may have to pay another \$30,000 to \$60,000 and is that a one-time fee? C. Angney answered it would be one time to come up with this plan, but he is not planning on moving on it at this point, he thinks they solve a couple other things first. G. Drew said \$200,000 we are already paying a year for IT is absolutely ridiculous for our size of a city. C. Angney said it is a large sum, and it gets into the discussion where they could just employ someone to handle tier 1 requests and have them on site every day and then look at a third party to do tier 2 services so if they can't solve them themselves it would get elevated. There are different things you can look at when you are talking those kinds of dollars. The main thing with the cyber security policies is that it has been represented to them that their systems are secure. They have the contract and he believes someone may have been included in an email that was sent to him stating they are secure and are up to date and that is not what the cyber security policies are. What they are is over and above where you are looking to take a more formalized approach and document the assets and risks. They are focused more on how you recover from an event and prevention is part of it but prevention entails not just you and I learning not to click a link; it is also looking at our physical assets making sure they are up to date and not out of life and those are probably done informally now but this policy is going to require a more formal level of documentation. He thinks the requirements are good and they will get there but they don't want to lose sight of the fact that they are secure now but they want to make sure they are covered should anything go wrong and how they recover and how they mitigate the risk and any damage associated with infiltration and how they get up to speed and protect their data and citizen data and things like that they have in their system.

Alec Bonawit said the Lorain County Commissioners signed a homestead credit to match the state he believes; is that going to affect the amount of money they are going to be collecting? C. Angney answered that it would, but they have figured that into the budget. A. Bonawit said then they are ahead of the ballgame on this one. C. Angney answered yes because he thinks Erie and Lorain County both did it, but they updated homestead and owner-occupied credits so it is his understanding they only did the homestead this year so the owner occupied they will see some of those monies come in on some of the older levies. It is not a huge sum, but it is a sum of money that could be used and is needed.

J. Gabriel asked if the 15% was over the previous period or year to date? C. Angney answered over the previous period so through May of 2025 they are about \$343,500 short of where they were.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT:

C. Howard reported for the V.O.L. and Edgewater projects, the contractor is out there this week working on pavement repairs, grading and seeding, and the punch list items. He was told that their goal is to try to finish this week on those punch list items. This Thursday, they have the preconstruction meeting for the Safe

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Routes to School Phase 3 Project and once he gets the schedule, he will share it with Council which would be for the sidewalks on State Route 60. In addition, this Thursday, they have the preconstruction meeting for the proposed Apex Strength Club at 4345 Liberty Avenue.

LAW DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

T. Pecora said they have a small item of litigation that is pending that they need to have an executive session to advise Council. J. Lucas asked if they were requesting that for this evening. T. Pecora answered that he thought it would be important to do so in order to plan accordingly.

H. Taft asked if they determined the drop-dead deadline to submit the Charter Review to the Board of Election. T. Pecora answered that he thinks it is 90 days prior to the election, which is August 5th.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

H. Taft MOVED: J. Gabriel seconded to adjourn into executive session to discuss pending litigation. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

OPEN TO THE AUDIENCE:

Joseph Jones said he has a question about the dips in the road on Edgewater Drive and asked if those were on the punch list for the contractor to take care of. C. Howard answered yes, there was settlement in some of the trenches they did, and they are repairing it at their cost.

READING OF THE ORDINANCES:

Third Reading – Ordinance 2026-29: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF VERMILION, OHIO TO ENGAGE INTO A CONTRACT FOR MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE CITY'S CEMETERIES.

J. Lucas MOVED: G. Drew seconded to adopt Ordinance 2026-29. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Third Reading – Ordinance 2026-30: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF VERMILION, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT ON BEHALF OF SAID CITY WITH THE TOWNSHIP OF BROWNHELM, LORAIN COUNTY, OHIO TO PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2026 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027.

J. Lucas MOVED: J. Gabriel seconded to adopt Ordinance 2026-30. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

First Reading – Ordinance 2026-31: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF VERMILION, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ABRAHAM MILLER EXCAVATING, LLC. OF VERMILION, OHIO FOR THE HIGHBRIDGE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASE 3; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE PAYMENT TO SAID AWARDEE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIX HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND, SEVENTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS (\$661,074.70) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

J. Lucas MOVED: J. Gabriel seconded to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2026-31. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Lucas MOVED: J. Gabirel seconded to declare an emergency for Ordinance 2026-31. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Lucas MOVED: G. Howell seconded to adopt Ordinance 2026-31. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

First Reading – Ordinance 2026-32: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF VERMILION, OHIO TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH DIRT DAWG EXCAVATING,

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LLC. OF ASHLAND, OHIO FOR THE JACKSON STREET STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE PAYMENT TO SAID AWARDEE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$1,168,522.50) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

J. Lucas MOVED; G. Drew seconded to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2026-32. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Lucas MOVED; G. Howell seconded to declare an emergency for Ordinance 2026-32. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Lucas MOVED; A. Bonawit seconded to adopt Ordinance 2026-32. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

First Reading – Ordinance 2026-33: AN ORDINANCE TO OFFICIALLY SUPPLEMENT THE MINIMUM CONTRACTUAL SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY BRAMHALL ENGINEERING & SURVEYING COMPANY BY VIRTUE OF ORDINANCE 2026-3 ADOPTED JANUARY 2, 2026, BY AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE HIGHBRIDGE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION, PHASE 3 PRESCRIBING THAT THE FIRM SHALL BE PAID FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RATE SCHEDULE SET FORTH IN THE PROPOSAL DATED JANUARY 1, 2026, IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$48,480.00) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

J. Lucas MOVED; G. Drew seconded to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2026-33. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Lucas MOVED; A. Bonawit seconded to declare an emergency for Ordinance 2026-33. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Lucas MOVED; G. Drew seconded to adopt Ordinance 2026-33. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

First Reading – Ordinance 2026-34: AN ORDINANCE TO OFFICIALLY SUPPLEMENT THE MINIMUM CONTRACTUAL SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED BY BRAMHALL ENGINEERING & SURVEYING COMPANY BY VIRTUE OF ORDINANCE 2026-3 ADOPTED JANUARY 2, 2026, BY AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE JACKSON STREET STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PRESCRIBING THAT THE FIRM SHALL BE PAID FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RATE SCHEDULE SET FORTH IN THE PROPOSAL DATED JANUARY 1, 2026, IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS (\$64,640.00) AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

J. Lucas MOVED; A. Bonawit seconded to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2026-34. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Lucas MOVED; J. Gabirel seconded to declare an emergency for Ordinance 2026-34. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

J. Lucas MOVED; A. Bonawit seconded to adopt Ordinance 2026-34. Roll Call Vote 7 YEAS. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Second Reading – Resolution 2026R-4: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SHORE STRUCTURE IN THE SUBMERGED LANDS, IN LAKE ERIE.

First Reading – Resolution 2026R-6: A RESOLUTION AMENDING 2024R-1 AND APPROVING THE AUTHORIZATION TO USE ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS FROM THE LORAIN COUNTY AUDITOR.

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18. Meeting Dates – *All meetings are held at the Vermilion Municipal Court Complex, 687 Decatur Street, Vermilion, OH*

-June 24, 2026 – Vermilion City Council Work Session (Charter Review Committee) – 6:00 p.m.

J. Lucas recessed into executive session.

J. Lucas called the regular meeting back to order.

ADJOURNMENT:

After no further discussion, J. Lucas adjourned the Vermilion City Council Meeting.

Transcribed by: Melanie Wood, Clerk of Council (June 18, 2026)