

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**  
**Finance Committee**  
**Tuesday February 17, 2026**

**Attendance**

<b>Committee Members:</b>	
Annette LaMore, Mayor	X
Peggy Vaughn, Trustee	X
Todd Crockett, Trustee	
Annette Zimbelman, Trustee	
Joel Gesky, Trustee	X
CJ Boudreau, Trustee	X
Michael Barry, Trustee	X
<b>Other attendees:</b>	
Chris LaRocque, Village Admin	X
Jim Hanley, Super of PW	X
Sheila Martin, Treasurer	
Al Swinford, Chief of Police	
Jakob Knox, Marketing Dir	
Melissa Gay, Deputy Village Clerk	
Lieutenant Steve Skully	X
Joe Cainker, Village attorney	X

The meeting was called to order at 5:25pm **By Trustee Barry**

**Approval of minutes: January 20, 2026, Motion Trustee Boudreau – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vaughn to approve**  
**5 yays – 0 nays PASSED**

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**Public Participation:**

**Items For Discussion:**

- Preliminary Budget – (First Version)

Trustee Barry asked Chris LaRocque when the budget needs to be completed, and Chris said this was the 1<sup>st</sup> version and it will need to be completed in April. So there is time for everyone to discuss making additions or cuts as they feel necessary.

- **Board Projects for FY – 2027 Budget**

Garbage fees - \$770,000

Property Tax Rebates - \$1,200,000

Trustee Barry and Trustee Boudreau felt the Board needed to take a close look at The Village discontinue paying both the tax rebates and the garbage disposal due the financial situation of The Village.

- **General Discussion-**

- Trustee Barry questioned the police car replacement budget and asked Officer Skully what year the police cars were that they are wanting to replace and he responded And he responded that they are 2018 & 2020.
- Trustee Boudreau asked Administrator LaRocque what in general it would be suggested to have left in the budget and the end of a year for reserves and he stated the rule of thumb would be about 6 months of revenue.
- Trustee Gesky suggested that there be \$1 million dollars set back so The Village had the money to pay for their portion of the bridge going over Division St. (road 9000)
- Trustee Boudreau suggested \$600,000 and everyone said that they felt they could agree on that.
- There was discussion about the new bridge over Division St., but Administrator LaRocque said that there have no new plans submitted in 2 or 3 years and he is not sure if there are any changes or it will be they same as the old plans.

A Motion by Trustee Boudreau, seconded by Trustee Vaughn to adjourn the meeting at 5:42pm  
5 yays – 0 nays

Respectfully Submitted  
Allen Pickrel  
Village Clerk