

**VILLAGE OF JEFFERSON
COUNCIL MEETING**

May 4, 2026

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Meeting called to order by Mayor Steven Sekanina.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Moment of Silence:

Opening Prayer: Mary Howe of the Jefferson United Methodist Church

Roll call of Council Belden, Bradek, Damon, Febel, Roderick, Skinner

Corrections or Additions to the Agenda:

Minutes: Approval/Addition/Correction

Motion by Councilperson Febel to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of April 6, 2026.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Febel to approve the Council Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2026.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Bradek to approve the Building and Lands Committee Meeting Minutes of April 27, 2026.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

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Visitor's Comments (five-minute limit per council rule #13)

None

Also present:

Sherrif Bill Niemi, Pierino Scrocca, Stefanie Wessell Jefferson Gazette, Judy Maloney, John Perrotti, Joe Edison, Christina Edison, John Powers, Brian Diehl, Casey Kozlowski, Mary Howe, Tina Fuller John Powers and Fred Travtlein.

DEPARTMENTS

Administrator Manor

Village Administrator's report for the period ending May 4, 2026

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Clerk /Treasurer Fisher

Payroll Report/Special Pay Report

March Month End

End of Month Summary	March	
Total Cash on Hand	\$1,000.00	
Andover Bank CD	\$51,985.16	
Huntington Bank	\$545.66	
Huntington Bank 2257	\$47,059.46	
Star Ohio 26065	\$3,181,772.47	
Payroll Checking	-\$1,811.70	
Andover/ First Common Bank Checking	\$2,068,721.67	
Ending Balance	\$5,348,272.72	Up 20.7%
YTD Revenue	\$1,572,074.23	
YTD Expenses	\$1,582,022.98	
Outstanding Encumbrance	\$291,254.04	
Recreation Revenue YTD	\$39,567.09	Down 24.1 %
Senior Revenue YTD	\$4,141.17	Up 5.7 %
Income Tax Revenue YTD	\$560,186.12	Down 14.0 %
Sewer Fee Collections YTD	\$14,212.74	Up 4.4 %

Motion by Councilperson Febel to accept the **List of Checks paid for March 2026** March 1, 2026 – March 31, 2026
2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

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Chief Mackensen Police Chief

FYI: April Month-End

Chief Mackensen told Council that there is allot going on in the Village.

May 8, 2026, is Ag Day from 8:30 to 2:30

May 14, 2026, is Career Day

May 18, 2026, is Bike Day. The elementary School kids ride their bike to school and after school ride their bikes home. They are starting at the Fairgrounds the beginning of the days and at the end of the days ride the bikes back to the Fair Grounds.

Interim Fire Chief Edison

FYI: April Month-End

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Lands

Committee Report: No Report

Ordinance/Resolution to Read:

Ordinance No. 26-O-3417

An Ordinance amending the “District Map” of the Village of Jefferson, Ashtabula County Ohio as incorporated into the Code of Ordinances of the village of Jefferson, Ohio at section 1242.02 in order to rezone one parcel of property currently designated as R-1-Single-Family Residential to Industrial and designate same on the “District Map”

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Motion by Councilperson Bradek for the Third Reading of Ordinance No. 26-O- 3417

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Bradek to Adopt Ordinance No. 26-O- 3417

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Ordinance/Resolution to Read:

Resolution No. 26-R-3422

A Resolution opposing the proposed relocation of the FOP memorial

Motion by Councilperson Bradek for the First Reading of Resolution No. 26 -R- 3422

2nd

Roll: Belden Nay, Bradek Yea, Damon Yea, Febel Nay, Roderick Yea, Skinner Nay

Tie Vote Mayor broke the Tie and voted no, Motion failed

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Finance

Committee Report: No report

Ordinance No. 26-O-3419

An Ordinance authorizing all actions necessary to accept Northeast Ohio Public Energy Council (NOPEC) 2026 Energized Community Grants

Motion by Councilperson Roderick for the Third Reading of Ordinance No. 26 -O- 3419

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Roderick to Adopt Ordinance No. 26-O- 3419

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Forestry

Committee Report: No Report

Recreation

Committee Report: No Report

Safety

Committee Report: No Report

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Utilities/Wastewater Treatment/ Service

Committee Report: No Report

Mayor Sekanina

Motion to take off the table the motion to accept the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Frederick Bliss to fill Jason Ashba's remaining term to the Oakdale Cemetery Board term ending December 31, 2026.

Motion Tabled

Motion to accept the Mayor's recommendation to appoint Frederick Bliss to fill Jason Ashba's remaining term to the Oakdale Cemetery Board term ending December 31, 2026.

There was no motion to take it off the table. The motion will not show up on the next Council Meeting Agenda.

Motion by Councilperson Febel to approve the liquor permit application as provided by Department of Commerce without a hearing for Iron Horse Grill and Tap House Inc.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Febel to approve the job description for the New Fiscal Officer position.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

The Next Council Meeting will be held on Monday May 18, 2026

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OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Councilperson Damon to approve the Jefferson Area Chamber of Commerce requests for the Autorama Community Event Saturday, June 27, 2026.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Beldon to approve the temporary Street Closures for the America 250-Ashtabula County Fourth of July Festival July 4, 2026.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried

FYI: 250 Celebration Events

FYI: Press Release for Public Safety Center

FYI: First Energy

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None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

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MEETINGS

BUILDING & LANDS COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday May 12, 2026

6 :00 p.m.

Town Hall

Discussion: Food Trucks

ADJOURN

Motion by Councilperson Febel to adjourn the Council Meeting.

2nd

Roll: All yea, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Submitted by,

Patricia A Fisher, Clerk of Council