

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 23, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Dean at 7:03 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S East Street, Le Roy. The council members present were Matt Steffen, Dawn Hanafin, Scott Tucker, Ron Legner, Curt Dunafin, Kelly Lay, and Sarah Welte. Kyle Merkle was absent.

Staff members present were Dave Jenkins, Anita Corso, and Brad Frankovich.

There were no comments from the public.

Included on the consent agenda were Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes from 2/16/2026 and payroll for the period of 2/2/2026 – 2/15/2026 in the amount of \$53,462.83.

The items of the consent agenda were voted on separately.

Motion was made by Scott Tucker and seconded by Matt for approval of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes from 2/16/2026. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Kelly Lay-abstain, Scott Tucker-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-abstain. Motion carried 5 yeas, 0 nays, 2 abstain.

Motion was made by Matt and seconded by Sarah for approval of payroll for the period of 2/2/2026 – 2/15/2026 in the amount of \$53,462.83. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Scott Tucker-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

In Staff Reports Dave reviewed the nursing home assessment report from Farnsworth. He also related an inquiry from the National Fitness Campaign about a possible location in Le Roy for an outdoor fitness area.

**ORD NO. 26-02-04-41** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LE ROY, MCLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO BORROW FUNDS FROM THE ILLINOIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PROGRAM. Motion to approve by Matt was seconded by Kelly. Dave reviewed a spreadsheet of payments & increases to user fees. Loan forgiveness is announced in June with the interest rate determined in July. He reminded everyone this is an updated version of the ordinance passed last year. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Scott Tucker-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion by Scott Tucker was seconded by Kelly for approval of the LBD application from Larry Salvatore totaling \$29,900.00 for roof replacement at 215 N. Chestnut Street. The Community & Economic Development Committee had reviewed the application and recommended approval. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Scott Tucker-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 23, 2026 (cont)

Motion by Sarah was seconded by Kelly to approve the amended City Administrator Contract 2026 through 2029. The Personnel Committee had reviewed the changes and recommended approval. Discussion reviewed the Administrator's accomplishments and the changes. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Scott Tucker-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Old & New Business discussion topics:

- Business District grants parameter update – Economic Development Committee to review
- Shipyard containers aesthetic issues – Dave to follow up with code compliance
- Concern over new business not being retail. Ordinance to be reviewed.
- Restaurant space is getting quotes for fire rating upgrades to qualify for occupancy.
- New business incubator program
- Composting update - still waiting for offer / proposal from the company.
- Le Roy Estates lots project is still progressing. Concrete slab options discussed

Executive session was not held.

Motion by Sarah was seconded by Matt to adjourn the regular council meeting. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Scott Tucker-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Sarah Welte-yes, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Submitted by,

Anita Corso  
City Clerk