

Minutes of Perrysburg Finance and Economic Development Committee

Meeting Held August 12, 2025

CALL TO ORDER - 4:00 PM

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. by Chairman Mark Weber.

ROLL CALL

Committee members present were Cory Kuhlman and Mark Weber. Tim McCarthy arrived at 4:06pm. Also present were Joe Fawcett, City Administrator, Amber Rathburn, Finance Director, Patrick Jones, Deputy City Administrator, Brody Walters, Planning & Zoning Administrator and Glenn Grisdale, the City's economic development consultant.

APPROVAL OF JULY 8, 2025 MEETING MINUTES

There being no objections, the minutes of the July 8, 2025 meeting were approved 2-0.

REAL ESTATE TAX OVERVIEW

Ms. Rathburn spoke about what the City collects in real estate taxes. She spoke about what the collected taxes are used to pay for, and she explained that about 10% of real estate taxes go to the City and 90% go to other entities. Mr. Weber asked if this information could be published on the City's website. Ms. Rathburn said that she will discuss it with staff.

2025 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUESTS

Ms. Rathburn went over the budget adjustments. She explained that the adjustments include additional funds for Station 38's HVAC improvements, a new P.O. for road salt and moving money between object levels. The committee members did not have any questions or comments. There being no objections, this is being forwarded 3-0 to City Council.

JOB CREATION GRANT PROGRAM

Mr. Walters spoke about the job creation grant program. He said the City is updating some of the terms, but the general terms are staying the same. Mr. Walters explained that there were some issues with accurately projecting how a business will be doing in 10 years. Mr. Walters discussed the addition of a tiered system that will start at \$200,000 and go up to \$2 million of new payroll costs. This will allow small businesses to enroll in the program as well. Mr. Walters also mentioned the downtown area's additional 5% rebate, to incentivize businesses to open in the City's downtown area. Mr. Kuhlman asked how this information would be advertised. Mr. Walters said they haven't made a decision on advertising yet. Mr. Kuhlman suggested that local banks and accounting firms would be a good start to get the word out. Mr. Weber pointed out a correction to the map for the downtown area: To the west it should read Walnut St. instead of Elm. There being no objections, this is being forwarded 3-0 to City Council.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Expenditures >\$5,000

Ms. Rathburn reported expenditures over \$5,000. Mr. Weber asked if the Front Street Corridor Study was completed yet. Mr. Fawcett said it was close, but not yet.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Weber, Chairperson
Finance and Economic Development Committee

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 4:00 p.m.