

Regular Meeting of
Lake Preston City Council
Monday July 7th, 2025

A regular meeting of the Lake Preston City Council was held at City Hall on July 7th, 2025 at 7pm. Present were: Mayor Donna Bumann, John McMasters, Joe Schnell, Jeremy Woodcock, Joel Gerleman, Austin Strande, Rick Olson. Also, present Brenda Klug, Brian Zeeck, Doug Bumann, David Field from the Kingsbury Journal, Cedric Hay from Banner Associates, Megan & Kasey Menzel from BBQ, Beer & Friends, Allen Wilde, Ute Hardesty and Micheal Anzalone.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bumann at 7:02 pm.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Gerleman to approve the agenda with one addition of FD Poker Run Fund Raiser. All in favor, motion carried.

Cedric Hay discussed change order #8 includes the added work to Phase 2A. Water line down Park Ave S to the Water tower, water main on Walters Ave S. and adding a loop between Walters Ave to Park Ave. S. This change order is \$295,377.85. Modified the completion date to October 15th of 2025.

Motion by Gerleman, seconded by Strande to approve change order #8 for the Phase 2A project. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Strande to approve phase 2B pay request #1 from Prunty for \$78,750.00. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Woodcock, seconded by Olson to approve water tower pay request #11 from Maguire Water for \$118,350.00. All in favor, motion carried.

Hay discussed the TAP grant, next week there will be a 60% meeting to get the plans done by fall. Maybe later fall some work can be started. There will need to be some temporary easements along hwy 14. In the future Hay will provide an updated summary to be sent with the packet to all the council members.

Megan Menzel inquired if the city would be open to do any sort of donation of the campground sites to the BBQ, Beer and Friends event. Either waving the fee or doing half price on the sites.

Ute Hardesty inquired about Manor Ave S., the condition of the road- several pot holes. Micheal Anzalone stated that there are other areas also, by the fire hydrant there is weeds coming up due to a gravel hole. Hardesty shared her phone with council to view pictures. Zeeck stated that the previous conversation was that we were going to wait until the contractors were in the area from Phase 2B. Zeeck plans to reach out to Northwestern, or the city will fix it ourselves.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Strande to approve the June 9th regular meeting minutes. All in favor, motion carried.

Gerleman stated that the police/safety committee had met, planned to increase the \$50 per lot to \$200 per property. Council discussed what length of grass needs to be before getting a notice. Adding trimming to the ordinance, as well as changing the notice deadlines. Door knockers will be 4 days' notice, but snail mail will have a 7-day notice. Motion by Schnell, seconded by Gerleman to approve first reading of ordinance 470-25. Roll call vote. All in favor, motion carried.

Budget committee and employees plan to meet on July 28th @ 6pm.

Zeeck stated that they have been leaving the tree sight open the last few days, it's been going well. Phase 2B construction has started, not sure when they are coming with road closures etc. Pool has been going good;

baseball has been going well-lot more games than last year. Zeeck inquired about the Kingbrook building south of town, after the water tower is finished it will be unused.

Klug inquired about doing a donation drive towards a new slide for the pool, wanting to get it out during the all-school reunion weekend. Klug had been reached out to about a new play area in the park for 2 yrs and younger. A resident had called about asked why we would not be putting the sky cam on the new water tower. Klug inquired about looking for a claims associate, yet another renter bill has been added to the list of bills that are unpaid. The plan was to do small claims on those accounts, but Klug doesn't have the time, council said to review options for collections. Adult swim at the pool has been going very well, during all-school open from 11pm-2am so that-to lesson break ins at the pool.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Woodcock to approve the following claims as presented: All in favor, motion carried.

A&B Business \$85.26, printer contract; Amber Nelson \$750.00, 2025 1/2 Softball Coach; Andy Pike \$48.12, Remaining Water Deposit; Banner Associates, Inc \$1346.50, General Engineering; Bode Construction, LLC \$13163.29, Streets; Breanna Jensen \$750.00, 2025 1/2 Baseball Coach; Carrot Top Industries \$618.89, Main Street Flags; CCP Direct \$213,47, Paper Towels; Cooks Waste Paper & Recycling \$3333.34 City Cans; Dacotah Bank \$4831.74, Tif Payment; David Hillestad \$100.00 10 Permits; Del Smith \$70.00, 7 Permits; Dept of Revenue-Special Tax \$526.01 Special Tax; First National Bank \$301.88, Using Water Deposits; Good Guys Garage \$1094.60, Canon/Flag Pole; Hawkins, Inc. \$5117.03 Pool Chemical; Health Pool of South \$1880.50 Street & FO Health Ins.; Jerry Brown \$80.00, 8 Permits; KE Dream Designs \$364.00 T Shirt Logos/Pool Clothes; Kingbrook Rural Water System \$8441.60, Water Purchased; Kingsbury Co. \$2080.00, Contract Law; Kingsbury Journal \$440.87, Publishing; Loren Trygstad \$60.00, 6 permits; M&T Fire and Safety \$70.00 Fire Dept; Mc Masters Gravel & Const. Inc. \$1048.58 Gravel-Stockpile; Napa Auto Parts \$649.00 Shop Supplies; Northwestern Energy \$159.70, Natural Gas; Office Peeps \$7.52, Office Supplies; Ottertail Power Company \$2729.42, Electric; Prairie Ag Partners \$1576.12 City; Public Health Laboratory \$15.00, Water Testing; Ramkota Hotel \$357.00, FO School Hotel; RBP LLC \$679.32, Flowers for Main Street; Rich Close Septic Service \$250.00, Campground; Rodney Olson \$90.00, 9 Permits; Runnings \$179.99, Sprayer; Rykhus-Nelson \$765.31, City Pool-Gutters & Downspout; Sanitation Products, Inc. \$237.17, Street Sweeper; SD Public Assurance Alliance \$25,192.37, Insurance Coverage; Stryker \$631.20, Ambulance; Tailored Structures LLC \$5612.26, City Hall Bathroom; Valley Fibercom \$423.76, Tax Franchise Overpayment; Adobe Illustrator \$23.96, Baseball Signs; Amazon \$655.84 Pool/Baseball/Office; First National Bank \$63.40, Bank Fees; Kingsbury Journal \$65.00, Subscription; US Bank \$16,324.23, Phase 1, DW#1; USPS \$476.24, \$Water Bill & Stamps; Vista Print \$364.25, 2 Brochures; Voice Shot \$20.00, Voicemail/Texting Service; Amazon-American Express \$401.71; Library; Deb Miller \$41.89, Library, Books/Supplies, Good Housekeeping \$29.97, Library Mag. Sub; Readers Digest \$13.81, Library Mag. Sub; SD Magazine \$29.00, Library Mag. Sub; June Payroll \$21,344.23.

Motion by Woodcock, seconded by Schnell to approve the June financial report. All in favor, motion carried.

No building permits.

Klug stated that she hadn't talked to Tim recently, he hadn't done a drive through in a while. She was able to get photos and info into Delzer on the Mell Ness property, the whole yard is very over grown. Gerlman and Klug discussed a block organization, to keep your block looking great and upkept.

Zeeck inquired about a special event license, for the fire department as they are planning to a poker run to raise money for the school lunch program. Due to the fire department requesting the licenses, we would need

to hold a special meeting to get them approved as the date is before our August meeting. Plan to combine the budget meeting on August 28th, the budget committee to meet after the special meeting.

Zeeck stated that they would like to surplus the 92 dodge, 88 chevy, and the fogger--- aren't being used, they don't need them. Motion by Woodcock, seconded by Strande to begin the surplus process with Jim Andrews, Scott Bently and Jerome Woodcock appraising all 3 surplus items. 92 dodge, 88 chevy and the fogger. All in favor, motion carried. Zeeck also inquired about getting the old county shed to be torn down, he will get 3 quotes for the next meeting.

Klug inquired if the council had received their email about the city doing TIF #2 on the hayfield land. City doing the TIF it would cut out any middle man, the city would oversee it. Along with Toby Morris's help and TIF writing skills. Banner will get the plans and the plat ready, which then Klug will forward to Morris for him to go over the logistics of the taxes coming in to pay its self-back.

Schnell stated that there is a side by side that has been driving on the grass, right up to the door at the pool. Ruining the grass and not sure why they cannot park in the parking lot. Klug stated that she would call the resident. Schnell also discussed fireworks, if you are to shoot them are you supposed to get a license. Strande inquired about Allen Wilde would do in the case of a neighbor not mowing their yard. He would fill out a complaint form for Klug. Yield sign by the museum is covered by branches, Zeeck said they can trim it up. Olson said that a street light was out on Park Ave N by 3rd St, only 10 days till all school reunion- get everything cleaned up. Schnell stated that someone had asked what had happen to all the cats in town. Bumann welcomed the cannon back to the park, and expressed her appreciation towards the fireworks, on one shot off too late. The Strande fireworks show was discussed, it was a great show.

Wilde stated that they have recently bought a 50ft lot by their shop, in the future they plan to put fruit trees etc.- open to the public. During the project residents were asked if they wanted service lines, but now they are getting penalized for doing so. Wilde stated that he would like the council to reconsider and resend the extra fees of \$30 on the vacant/unused service lines. Wilde requested the list of properties, Klug stated that she hasn't started the process- she would like Bumann and Zeeck to double check all the service lines before sending letters. Once that is complete the list can be available. Council and Wilde had a long conversation pertaining to the state/MAPS saying they should be getting charged the surcharges, which would have been a lot more then the \$30 they settled on.

Bumann stated that the next regular meeting will be August 11th @ 7pm.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Olson to go into executive for personnel at 8:25 pm.

Council came out of executive at 8:38 pm.

Motion by McMasters, seconded by Woodcock to increase Marla Bertsch's wage to \$16/hr. while working in the finance office. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Donna Bumann declared the meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Brenda Klug, Finance Officer

Donna Bumann, Mayor

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