

**City of Lengby City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, March 12, 2025 – 5:15 p.m.**  
**Lengby Community Hall**

Members Present: Paul Kahlbaugh, Ben Walker, Michael McColl, Shirley Vasilakes and Jennifer Godtland. Also present Rosanne Erickson, City Clerk-Treasurer.

Call to Order / Determine Quorum for regular City Council Meeting: Paul Kahlbaugh, Mayor, called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. and determined a quorum was present.

Approve Agenda.

1<sup>st</sup> by Walker; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vasilakes to approve agenda. Motion carried.

Public Comment Time:

None.

Review and Approve Minutes of City Council Meeting on February 10, 2025:

1<sup>st</sup> by Walker; 2<sup>nd</sup> by McColl to approve the minutes of the City Council Meeting on February 10, 2025. Motion carried.

Financial Report:

Rosanne Erickson reviewed the financial report for March 2025.

1<sup>st</sup> by Walker; 2<sup>nd</sup> by McColl to approve the Financial Report for March 2025. Motion carried.

Building Permits:

None

Ordinances:

Discussion on Ordinances.

Paul has a draft of the ordinance pertaining to animals in the park. Please take the draft ordinance home and mark up as you desire. We will also reach out to other cities and see if they have anything regarding animal waste. We will continue to review this ordinance.

Discussion on Sunday liquor:

Correspondence from the City's lawyer states that to be eligible for a Sunday Liquor License, they will have to offer food to the patrons. Since both The Clinic and the Rockin A do offer food to their patrons, they are eligible. Also noted by the City's attorney is that our Liquor Ordinance needs to be revised to reflect statutory language. Rosanne will work with the lawyer to get a draft of a new ordinance.

Grant Funding Update(s):

NW MN Arts Council – grant approved in the amount of \$9,000.00. Also discussed was if we could get a go fund me started for the additional costs needed for the mural and the new Welcome to Lengby sign. Other ideas include donation cans at the Rockin A and at The Clinic Bar. Also at the Memorial Day picnic to do a survey of attendees – art related; this could include a city questionnaire, along with a donation bin.

DNR – Paul talked with a conservation officer. The Conservation Officer stated that we should make we pull a permit for when we pull the old pier out, as we do not want to run over or destroy any cattails.

#### Road Plan Discussion:

Paul met with Sen. Mark Johnson. Talked to him re what we need to do with our streets. Sen. Johnson noted that there should be approximately \$66,000,000 available. We will keep an eye out for any funding opportunities. Also talked about street lighting, 50/50 beautification, etc. Sen. Johnson also suggested that if we want to bring businesses or people into this town, you should try and expand your city limits. Note, this expansion of Lengby City Limits was talked about years ago, and there was some interest, but we don't have any infrastructure to offer, so it's difficult.

#### Discussion of Repairs Needed at Community Hall Building:

Paul did a bunch of cleaning in the garage. Bunch of stuff that needs to be done. There are also a few things that need repair, consensus is to talk with Alex Erickson and get a quote for the repairs needed. Paul did put out feelers for air mini splits but have not heard anything back yet.

Fire extinguisher 3 years out of date; we have 3 here at the community hall. Paul will check on where to purchase new extinguishers.

1<sup>st</sup> by Walker; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Godtland to purchase three (3) new fire extinguishers. Motion carried.

Also, the sewer at the Community Hall appears to be frozen.

1<sup>st</sup> by Godtland; 2<sup>nd</sup> by McColl to hire Hayes Landscaping to thaw out the sewer. Motion carried.

#### Approval of Liquor Licenses:

1<sup>st</sup> by Walker; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vasilakes to approve the Liquor Licenses for The Clinic Bar and Grill Inc. Members Voting Yes: Walker; McColl; Vasilakes; Kahlbaugh. Voting No: No one. Abstaining: Godtland. Motion carried by majority vote.

1<sup>st</sup> by Walker; 2<sup>nd</sup> by McColl to approve the Liquor Licenses for the Rockin A Bar. Members voting Yes: Walker/ McColl; Vasilakes; Godtland; Kahlbaugh. Voting No: No one. Abstaining: No one. Motion carried by majority vote.

#### Other City Business:

Spring Lake Park. Hayes Landscaping will be starting on the landscaping for the new pie shack. In order to landscape properly, the evergreen on the n side of the awning needs to be cut down, plus some other branches over the road, and possibly one tree between the kitchen and on Justin Hegg's property. Consensus is its okay, but LIC needs to be informed also, especially if there is a cost to the tree removal.

Sentence to Serve – Consensus is to put in an application for Sentence to Serve to mow/trim various properties of the City. Rosanne will put in the application.

Ron Naastad would like to donate \$100 to pie shack in honor of Elwood Gunderson. He would like the \$100 to go towards the pie shack and wants a plaque. Consensus is to have the donation go through the LIC.

Old Town Hall. Mike has pictures of stuff in town hall, would like to get removed from there. Rosanne will check with the LIC to see where they want their safe. Also, when cleaning out the old Town Hall, boxes can be brought over to the Community Hall and stored in the garage area for the time being.

The McColl's would like to make a flower box to put in front window of the old Town Hall and plant flowers in it. Also, Is it possible to put a new doors (inside door and screen door) on the old Town Hall? Note, there is a brand new door in the concession stand. Rosanne will talk with Alex to see if he can install the door on the old Town Hall.

1<sup>st</sup> by McColl; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Walker to use the brand new door that is currently in the concession stand and install it on the old Town Hall. Motion carried.

Old Lawn mower in Community Hall Garage. Consensus is to offer it to Roger Diseth for \$5.00. Jen will talk with Roger. Roger.

Graduation Banners: Sarah Johnson is working on graduation banners this year. Jen is working on the Summer banners and had sent the pictures on to Jag. Consensus is to go ahead and have the summer banners printed so we are ready to install them after the Graduation banners come down.

After Prom Party donation – look at last year’s donation and do the same.

1<sup>st</sup> Walker; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Godtland to donate to the Fosston After Prom Party in the same amount we donated in 2024. Motion carried. Walker/Godtland.

Discussion on League of Minnesota Cities Safety and Loss Training in Bemidji MN on March 25, 2025.

1<sup>st</sup> by Godtland; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Walker, to send up to three (3) people, pay for registration and mileage. Motion carried.

East Polk County Heritage Center membership drive. Consensus is that it is something that we don’t need to have a membership; as there has not been any benefit to us.

Next City Council Meeting will be held on Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5:15 p.m. at the Spring Lake VFW Hall.

1<sup>st</sup> by Godtland; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vasilakes to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosanne Erickson  
City Clerk-Treasurer