

City of Lismore
Minutes of the Council
July 7, 2025

The following are the minutes of the City Council meeting held on July 7, 2025. In attendance for the Council: Austin Garms, Ken Leinen, Ryan Schieck & Mayor Andrew Fodness. Absent was Tory Bohlke. Andrew Fodness called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was done.

On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the agenda with additions. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on June 9, 2025. Amber presented the financial statement which showed the deposits/invoices from the prior month to current. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the financial statement, pay the invoices, approve bank statements and make the stated transfers.

Maintenance report – Josh gave the report – We did fix Chaz Kohorst curb stop (the riser part was broken so couldn't turn on or off water) and he was still having the pressure issue but the City side of things are done so rest would be up to Chaz to find/fix. The small leased tractor from Titan was sold but when they picked that one up they dropped off a different one & Amber got it taken care of for insurance side of things. Josh wants to give thanks to Andrew Blank and the Corrections crew for cleaning up corn stalks along the fence area & washing the fire trucks up for the parade. With all the rain Josh said he was getting behind on mowing and wants to give Steve Wieneke thanks for helping out to get the town all mowed before the celebration along with Ryan who helped mow some properties. After the wind storm that came through there were some larger branches that came down and Josh wants to thank Ryan who helped organize the clean-up along with Justin Ahlers who let us use his equipment and Cliff Altman who borrowed us his dump trailer. The light at the tennis court is still out & Josh wasn't sure if there was power to the pole yet. Andrew said he will see if Trent Kor can take a look to make sure & if there is we will get a new light placed. Light by B&L still needs to be fixed so Josh will see if he can borrow a bucket truck from Loosbrock so he can reach it to replace it. On a motion by Ryan and seconded by Austin it was duly passed to approve the Maintenance report.

Fire Department report – Jim gave the report – Adrian Ribs & Rims is coming up in Adrian & the FD plans to help with that again & also plans on being in the parade. August 16th will be the fundraiser so will need a Beer Permit which Amber will get. Mason Wieneke applied for the FD and on a motion by Austin & seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve Mason onto the FD contingent on his background check as Amber has not gotten that back yet. Still waiting on FEMA to let us know if we were awarded the grant for SCBA's. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ryan it was duly passed to approve the Fire Dept report.

Amber Bertrand gave the clerks report – Amber received letters from the County in regards to LBAE on the 3 properties that Doug Loosbrock owns which stated that 2 of them were decreased in value and the other stayed the same. LMCIT had done an appraisal on the City buildings as it hadn't been done in quite some time so a few changes were made and when talking with Matt Loosbrock the values did increase some but mainly due to inflation but if we have a loss we are now insured and covered up to the new appraised amounts. Amber did receive an audit request from the State of MN on the Sales/Use tax so sent in the requested info and a letter was received back stating that the audit was complete and no changes are needed. On a motion by Ken and seconded by Ryan it was duly passed to approve the Clerks Report.

The Council along with Josh and Amber wanted to give a big thanks to the Booster Club and any others who made the 125th Celebration the success it was! Lots of work & time went into getting that together and the City appreciates all the help that was done to make it a great event!

On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ryan it was duly passed to approve Resolution 25.7.1 Accepting Donation of the Veteran's Memorial. All in favor, motioned carried.

On a motion by Ryan and seconded by Austin it was duly passed to approve Resolution 25.7.2 Authorizing Charitable Gambling within the City for St Anthony's fall dinner on 9/7/25 along with a Beer Permit. All in favor, motion carried.

With no further business to discuss, on a motion by Austin it was duly passed to adjourn the meeting.

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, August 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

Minutes taken by Amber Bertrand, City Clerk