

**City of Long Prairie**  
**7:00 P.M., Monday October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022**  
**City Council Meeting Held in Person & Via-Teleconference**

The Long Prairie City Council met in person and by phone at City Hall, 7:00 pm, on Monday October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022. Mayor Dixon called the meeting to order with the following present by phone or at City Hall: Council members, Lilah Gripne, David Wright, and City Administrator Ted Gray. Council member Datrik Mitchell and Bob Klick were absent. Others present Police Chief Ryan Hanson, Officer Kellen Pulliam, Officer Doug Rakow, Fire Chief Dan Laumeier, Public Works Director Chad Bosl, Kent Louwagie, Daiv Freeman, Clint Kreuger, and Mike Weiner

**Council member Wright motioned Gripne seconded to approve the consent agenda:**

- (a) Approve Agenda for October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, with the addition of item 10 to New Business, Approve Gambling Permit.**
- (b) Approve Council Meeting Minutes from September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022, with a correction to page 3 of the minutes, correcting “pm” to “am”.**
- (c) Approve Donations Resolution 22-10-03-35**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Resolution #22-10-03-35**  
**RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING DONATIONS**

**WHEREAS, the City of Long Prairie has received the following donations during the month(s) of September for the following purposes:**

<b>EcoWater Systems</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>VFW</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>Mid-Central Natl Bank</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>American Legion</b>	<b>\$300.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>LP Dairy Queen</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>McDonald’s</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>Long Prairie Packing Plant</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>American Heritage</b>	<b>\$50.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>LP Lumber</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>
<b>GE Burtrum Lions</b>	<b>\$100.00</b>	<b>DARE</b>

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF LONG PRAIRIE, MINNESOTA THAT: The City Council of the City of Long Prairie acknowledges and accepts the donations received the month of September.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: The City Council of the City of Long Prairie expresses its thanks and appreciation for the donations to all Donor(s) listed.**

**Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October 2022, by the City Council of the City of Long Prairie.**

**ATTEST:**

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**Theodore Gray**  
**City Administrator/Clerk**

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**Jodi Dixon**  
**Mayor**

(Council Reports)

**Public Works:** Public Works Director Chad Bosl reported that the daily water and wastewater rounds, and samples are going fine. Public works has been busy patching, working on hydrant repairs, flushing, and pumping hydrants, winterizing the sprinkler systems, parks, and bathrooms. In the next few weeks, we will be working on sweeping, picking up leaves in the parks and equipment maintenance.

**Public Safety:** Council member Wright reported for the Fire and Police Departments. The Fire Department received 10 sets of turn out gear that was ordered in February. The Police Department 205 calls over the last two weeks. Officer Rakow held bike safety training at the school. The Police Department is participating in a Pink Patch Project for cancer awareness month. The officers will be wearing pink rendition of the city's police patches. These patches are also for sale at City Hall for \$10.00. All proceeds will be donated to The CentraCare Cancer Research fund.

**EDA:** Council member Wright reported that the EDA reviewed the final applications for the Downtown Revitalization Grants. They sent 15 applications for final approval to the Initiative Foundation. These 15 applications will meet the allotted funds for the City of Long Prairie.

**Planning & Zoning:** Council member Gripne reported that planning and zoning is looking to meet on October 12<sup>th</sup>. The time is to be determined.

**Wellness:** Council member Gripne reported that there will be a wellness meeting on October 14<sup>th</sup>, via zoom.

**Community Concerns:** Mayor Dixon reported the High School Facts class will be assisting the Senior Center on various projects. On Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup> the Four Wings Art Council be hosting a painting class. On October 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am the Lions will be presenting to the Senior Center on their glasses project.

**Administration:** Administrator Gray reported on the upcoming City Wide Clean Up Day on October 10<sup>th</sup> for leaves, grass, and small branches.

**Road Project Updated:** City Engineer Kent Louwagie presented to the council a road project update. All of the utility replacement as been complete for this phase of the project. They are now working rebuilding the roads, which includes the concrete curbs and sidewalks. Paving is tentatively scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup>. There will also be grass seeding and yard repair started later the following week.

(New Business)

**Council member Gripne motioned Dixon seconded to approve Pay Application #5 in the amount of \$1,200,844.32 to C&L Excavating INC. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Mayor Dixon motioned Wright seconded to Approve Change Order #3 in the amount of \$9,128.00 to install a half of block of sidewalk and add bollards to protect grinder station. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Council member Gripne motioned Dixon seconded to approve Braun Intertec Invoice in the amount of \$9,514.10. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Council member Gripne motioned Wright seconded to approve the City of Long Prairie Health Insurance Renewal with Minnesota Healthcare Consortium for 2023. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Council member Wright motioned Dixon seconded to approve the Mobile Food Unit License for Taqueria Bravo for one year. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Council member Gripne motioned Dixon seconded to approve Snow Removal Truck Rental for Chad Twardowski Excavating INC. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Council member Wright motioned Dixon seconded to approve Snow Removal Truck Rental for Ron Twardowski Trucking. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Mayor Dixon motioned Wright seconded to approve Election Judge Compensation Increase to \$18.00 an hour for Head Election Judges and \$16.00 for Election Judges. Motion carried unanimously.**

Administrator Gray presented to the council quotes to purchase new Playground Equipment for Lions Lake Charlotte Park and Circle Park. The quotes included a grant which would cover half of the cost of the playground equipment. The city would be looking to purchase 3 sets up equipment, 2 sets to be replace the current equipment at Lions Lake Charlotte Park and one for Circle Park. One of the sets for Lions Lake Charlotte Park would be for ages 2-5 years and the other for 6-12 years of age. The total cost of this project would be \$174,030.62 which includes installation. The funds for this project would come from American Rescue Plan Dollars which were deemed as loss revenue earlier this year to allow for more flexibility in the use of these funds. After discussion Administrator Gray stated that these quotes would be presented at the October 17<sup>th</sup> meeting for final approval.

**Mayor Dixon motioned Gripne seconded to approve the gambling permit for Wolves Wrestling, sponsoring Just for Kix for October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.**

**There being no further business, motion by Gripne seconded by Wright to adjourn the meeting at 7:36 p.m.**

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Ted Gray, City Administrator

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Jodi Dixon, Mayor