

**CITY OF LONG PRAIRIE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Long Prairie City Hall - 615 Lake Street
Wednesday, August 12th, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.**

The Regular Long Prairie City Council Meeting was called to order at City Hall at 7:00 pm, on Wednesday August 12th, 2026. Mayor Jim Kreemer called the meeting to order with Present Council Members Clint Krueger, Lilah Gripne, and Gabrier Perez. Absent Council Member JoAnn Schroeder. Also present: City Administrator Candace Bruder, Chief Ryan Hanson, Police Officers: Joseph Rivera Robles, City Engineer Kent Louwagie, and Fire Chief Dan Laumeyer and Volunteer Firefighter Jeremy Sovich – Others present.

Consent Calendar

- (a) **Approve Agenda for August 12th, 2026**
- (b) **Approve Meeting Minutes for July 22nd, 2026**
- (c) **Approve Temporary Liquor License St. Mary's of Mount Caramel September 13th, 2026**

Council Member Gripne motioned to Approve the Consent Calendar; motion was seconded by Council Member Krueger. Unanimously Approved.

Public Comment

Renee Kreemer came with concerns about proposed modifications to Soldiers Field and the police department's request for more officers.

Old Business

Mayor Kreemer motioned to say NO to taking the Boards for the Outdoor Ice Rink Hockey Rink; motion was Seconded by Council Member Gripne. Roll Call Vote: Perez-Yes, Kreemer-Yes, Krueger-Yes, Gripne-Yes: Unanimously Approved.

Council Member Krueger motioned to approve Easy Environmental Solutions Proposal to Treat Ash Trees from the Inside Out in the amount of \$19,500; motion was Seconded by Council Member Perez. Unanimously Approved

Council Member Krueger motioned to approve a 7th Police Officer; motion was Seconded by Council Member Perez. Roll Call Vote: Perez-Yes, Kreemer-No, Krueger-Yes, Gripne-No. Motion Failed

New Business

Mayor Kreemer motioned to approve Froggy Signs in the amount of \$31,800 and Electrical work from ARC Electric in the amount of \$1,520.26 for New Signage at the Liquor Store; motion was Seconded by Council Member Gripne. Unanimously Approved

Mayor Kreemer motioned to approve St. Cloud Refrigeration in the amount of \$91,502 and Electrical work from ARC Electric in the amount of \$3,535.02 for Beer Cave Cooler at the Liquor Store; motion was Seconded by Council Member Krueger. Unanimously Approved

Council Member Gripne motioned to approve Resolution No. 26-08-12-19 Ordering Preparation of Report of Improvements; motion was Seconded by Council Member Krueger. Unanimously Approved.

Council Member Krueger motioned to approve the Request to Authorize Advertise for Bids for LCCMR Riverside Park Grant Phase II; motion was Seconded by Council Member Gripne. Unanimously Approved.

Council Member Gripne motioned to approve the Final Plat for Mechel's (Prairie Estates, Block 1, Lots 1 and 2); motion was Seconded by Council Member Krueger. Unanimously Approved.

Council Member Krueger motioned to approve Cloud Permit as Community Development Software in the amount of \$7,500; motion was Seconded by Mayor Kreemer. Unanimously Approved.

Mayor Kreemer motioned to approve the Ratification of the Clerks Union Contract to start on August 15, 2026-December 31, 2028, and that the City Administrator follow suit with labor contract with wage increases that were agreed upon; motion was Seconded by Council Member Krueger. Unanimously Approved.

Council Member Krueger motioned to approve Crescent Moon Insulation to install Insulation and complete Remediation work at the Long Prairie Senior Center in the amount of \$3,131.25; motion was Seconded by Council Member Gripne. Unanimously Approved.

There being no further business, Council Member Krueger motioned to adjourn the meeting; motion was Seconded by Council Member Gripne; unanimously approved meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm.

Candace Bruder, City Administrator/Clerk

James Kreemer, Mayor