



**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 21, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

Present: Mayor: Charlie Miner; Council: Jahn Dyvik, Mike Feldmann, and Deirdre Kvale

Staff Present: City Administrator: Amanda Nowezki; and City Clerk: Jeanette Moeller

Absent: Council: Todd Newcomer (with prior notice)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR'S COMMENTS – LONG LAKE NEWS, MEETING REVIEW, AND UPDATES

Mayor Miner reported on events that had occurred the previous weekend, including the multi-city annual Spring Cleanup Day hosted by the City of Orono on Saturday, and the Shoreline Fire Department's first Pancakes and French Toast Breakfast on Sunday. He highlighted upcoming event opportunities including a Braver Angels session to be held on April 23, 2026 at 6:30 pm at the Orono Activity Center; and a North Lake Minnetonka Area Mayors Symposium on April 29, 2026 hosted by the League of Women Voters.

APPROVE AGENDA

A motion was made by Feldmann, seconded by Dyvik, to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: all.

OPEN CORRESPONDENCE

Roger Adams, 1130 Underhill Circle – Mr. Adams reminded the Council that a few years ago, the Council had conceptually approved a proposal by the Orono Lions Club and Long Lake Area Chamber of Commerce to construct an entertainment stage in Nelson Lakeside Park for community events. The project had not moved forward, but he mentioned that there is growing interest from several organizations within the community in having this type of stage, though perhaps not in the original location identified. He suggested that a better location may be behind Lakeside Wine + Spirits on the DNR land that is administered by the City. He believes there may be enough organizations interested in a stage project that the money could be raised independently of the City, and added that this was the type of amenity that most other small towns have.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- A. Approve Minutes of April 7, 2026 City Council Work Session
- B. Approve Minutes of April 7, 2026 City Council Meeting
- C. Approve Vendor Claims and Payroll
- D. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-20 Approving a Special Event Permit for the Temporary Outdoor Patio at Bucks Pub Effective May 21 Through October 1, 2026

- E. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-21 Approving a Special Event Permit for the Cinco de Mayo Block Party by Shiverz at 2435 Wayzata Boulevard W on May 2, 2026; Approve a Noise Variance Permit Authorizing Use of Sound Amplification Equipment

A motion was made by Dyvik, seconded by Feldmann, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
Ayes: all.

REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Presentation of Community Service Award to Roger Adams, Planning Commission Member (2013-2025)

City Clerk Moeller commented that the City had been fortunate to have Roger Adams serve as a 12 year volunteer on the Planning Commission. She noted that most of his time on the Commission was spent as Chair during which he had helped guide the conversations that shaped decisions for the City, which was not always easy. She added that she had enjoyed working with Mr. Adams and his Community Service Award was overdue and well earned.

Mayor Miner stated that Mr. Adams' dedication to serving the City had been admirable. He recalled that he had served on the Planning Commission with Mr. Adams in 2017 and 2018, and he particularly remembered the time Mr. Adams had spent studying practical difficulties before a meeting on a particular application and had been able to explain what he had learned to the rest of the Commission. He shared that Mr. Adams had wanted to make sure he researched matters to ensure the Commission did things 'by the book' and didn't make decisions on a whim. He expressed his appreciation to Mr. Adams for his service and dedication to the City.

Mr. Adams indicated that he hadn't joined the Planning Commission for recognition, but because he felt that what the residents in Long Lake deserved from their local government was a willingness to look for ways to say 'yes'. He shared examples of some of the challenges from his time on the Commission and the things he was proud of within the City.

Mayor Miner presented Mr. Adams with a plaque and card in honor of his Community Service Award.

B. Resolution Approving the Minnesota Department of Transportation Agreement for the Highway 12 Access Gate Repairs

City Administrator Nowezki reviewed the history of the Highway 12 emergency access gate construction agreement, recent damages incurred, and the necessary planned repairs. MnDOT has prepared a Joint Powers Contract to commit to paying \$7,318 or one-third of the repair expense, while establishing they would not be responsible for future repairs. Hennepin County has prepared a similar agreement by which they also would fund \$7,318 or one-third of the project cost. City Attorney Thames has reviewed the agreements and acknowledged that while he would have ideally desired to make some language amendments, given the time constraints and difficulties in negotiating the cost sharing arrangement, moving forward with the agreements as is would represent a benefit for the City. Once both the MnDOT and Hennepin County agreements were fully executed, it is anticipated the gate will be repaired in May.

Councilmembers discussed the history of how the original gate construction and maintenance agreement came about, and voiced their confusion on why the gate was deemed to be the sole responsibility of Long Lake.

A motion was made by Dyvik, seconded by Feldmann, to adopt Resolution No. 2026-22 to approve entering into an agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to provide for the repair and replacement of the Highway 12 access gate. Ayes: all.

C. Resolution Approving the Cooperative Funding Agreement with Hennepin County for the Highway 12 Access Gate Repairs

A motion was made by Feldmann, seconded by Miner, to adopt Resolution No. 2026-23 approving entering into a Cooperative Funding Agreement with Hennepin County for the repair and replacement of the Highway 12 access gate. Ayes: all.

OTHER BUSINESS

Shoreline Fire Relief Association - Councilmember Feldmann reported that he'd attended a Shoreline Firefighters Relief Association meeting the previous evening, and he noted that the subject of the pension benefit level had been broached.

Park Board Bonfire at the Beach Event - Council and staff briefly discussed the proposed upcoming beach bonfire event the Park Board is in the process of planning.

Staff and Phone Tree Updates - Nowezki noted that the City's new Administrative Assistant began her employment last week and has been doing wonderfully. She encouraged residents to stop by and introduce themselves. Staff is expecting she'll be a great asset to the team. Moeller mentioned that the phone tree recording had been updated a bit to include the Administrative Assistant position, and to also roll Public Works calls to her desk when possible during daytime hours.

ADJOURN

Hearing no objection, Mayor Miner adjourned the meeting by general consent at 7:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanette Moeller
City Clerk