City of Lake Bronson Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

May 19, 2025

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor B. Schmiedeberg called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. City Council members present: T. Carlson, P. Shablow, C. Strom, B. Undeberg. City employees present: S. Lund. Public present: A. Stromgren.

The pledge to the American flag was given.

Approval of Minutes: Carlson made a change to the minutes. Shablow made a motion to accept the changed minutes, Stom seconded, to approve the Board of Appeals meeting minutes of April 15, 2025. M/S/P – Shablow/Strom/All.

Approval of Minutes: Undeberg made a motion, Carlson seconded, to approve the Lake Bronson regular city council meeting minutes of April 21, 2025. M/S/P – Undeberg/Carlson/All.

Citizen Concerns: A. Stromgren said she is getting the youth group going again. Stromgren would like the city to give the youth group access to the city park bathrooms, put up nets at the basketball court. Stromgren said the grounds need cleaning, a picnic table needs repair, and garbage bags need to be supplied for the youth group to clean up the park. The council agreed that they would take care of this. Stromgren is looking into grants for the park.

Old Business: Employee Review:

Employee Review; Shablow removed this from the agenda until November.

Water Billing: Undeberg asked if the apartment owners had been notified that they are getting a new meter.

Schmiedeberg said he will notify them. And he will install the new meter at the end of this month.

Staining the community center: The council discussed a work night to stain the community center next month.

Pet Clinic is May 28th at the fire department 5pm to 7 pm.

Culvert on 4th Ave, culvert at DAC: Schmiedeberg feels we should not trim this back. He feels someone could get hurt on the culvert if we do. Schmiedeberg said he had talked to Anderson's about 5th Ave and he thought they would have been here by now. Culvert on 1st Ave is showing and broke up. Culvert on 3rd needs repair.

Center doors. Schmiedeberg will take care of the center doors.

Staining the village square. The council will do this at the same time they stain the community center **Wastewater operator.** A discussion was had.

New Business:

Community Center vents, repair or replace: Schmiedeberg said only one screen is bad. He will remove the boxes and possibly make new boxes.

Culvert pipe on 1st Ave: Schmiedeberg said we already talked about this.

Calibrating the mosquito sprayer: Strom will take it to Roseau if R. Anderson cannot.

July 13 postage Stamp increase Letter from 73¢ to 78¢ post card from 69¢ to 74¢.

Tornado Siren: Schmiedeberg said he will put a fuse in the siren and talk to an electrician.

Clerk's time off May 27-28. Strom made a motion, Carlson seconded, for the clerk to take time off after the Memorial Day holiday. M/S/P – Strom/Carlson/All

Maintenance Report: Schmiedeberg said the mowing had been done. He would like to buy a Milwaukee cordless electric trimmer for \$300.00 plus a battery. Undeberg made a motion, Strom seconded, to have Schmiedeberg pick up a new trimmer. M/S/P – Undeberg/Strom/All.

Council Roundtable: Undeberg brought up the Norberg property and Schmiedeberg said that this property is owned by a deceased person and until the property is probated or tax forfeited the city can't agree to let anyone park a trailer house on the property and hook up to water and sewer to live there. Undeberg suggested that the city hire a part time maintenance person. Maybe someone retired and looking for a little work, possibly 20 hours a week. No decision was made. Undeberg asked about the school gym. Schmiedeberg said it can't be used because of the mold coming through the paint. Schmiedeberg had a contractor look at putting a taller garage door on the building so the city can use it for vehicle storage. Strom asked if we are planning to sell the old cub cadet mower. Schmiedeberg said no, because we need 3 mowers. Carlson asked how the new pesticide laws and rules are going to affect the city for mosquito spraying. Schmiedeberg said what we use in not a restricted chemical so the city can continue to spray for mosquitoes. The clerk asked the council if they would pay her Medicare insurance premiums, since the employee policy states that the city would pay regular insurance premiums for employees who want their own insurance. Undeberg asked if that was even legal? The clerk will check into it. Strom made a motion, Carlson seconded, to give the clerk time off May 27&28th. M/S/P – Strom/Carlson/All

City Bills/Claims audited by the city council: Strom made a motion, Carlson seconded, to pay the city claims as presented.

M/S/P – Strom/Carlson/All. Fire Department Bills/Claims audited by the city council: Undeberg made a motion, Strom seconded, to pay the fire department claims as presented. M/S/P – Undeberg/Strom/All.

Adjournment: Strom made a motion, Shablow seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 6:43pm. M/S/P - Strom/Shablow/All.

The next scheduled regular City Council meeting is scheduled for June 16, at 5:30 pm. _____Sandra Lund, City Clerk Equal Opportunity Provider & Employer