

City of Lismore
Minutes of the Council
February 9, 2026

The following are the minutes of the City Council meeting held on February 9th, 2026. In attendance for the Council: Tory Bohlke, Austin Garms, Ken Leinen & Acting Mayor Ryan Schieck. Absent was Mayor Andrew Fodness. Ryan Schieck called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was done.

On a motion by Austin and seconded by Tory it was duly passed to approve the agenda. On a motion by Ken and seconded by Tory it was duly passed to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on January 12, 2026. 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 – Josh is waiting on the County to get bids back and then once we have pricing which should hopefully be by next meeting we can decide on what we want to do. Ryan did bring up that he thought it might be a good idea if Josh had a pager as then he would know what is going on in town – Ken said he would bring it up to Jim. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Tory it was duly passed to approve the Maintenance report.

Fire Department report – Jim was absent but not much happening. They are working on the compressor so it can fill the new bottles correctly. Still working on getting everything with the FEMA grant. Everyone from Lismore who took the EMR Basic did pass. On a motion by Tory and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the Fire Dept report.

Amber Bertrand gave the clerks report – The stove in the Firehall wasn't working anymore and so Amber was asked if a new one could be purchased. Brandon Diekmann had found a decent priced one under \$600 with Appliance Guys out of Worthington. On a motion by Tory & seconded by Austin it was duly passed to purchase a new stove for the firehall. The Local Board of Appeal & Equalization meeting will be happening on Wednesday, April 22nd at 2:30pm. Ron Honken from Geronimo stopped in to visit and asked that Amber mention that they would be willing to come discuss more on what they do at a Council meeting otherwise a council member could go to their office in Worthington. Council was interested in what they had to say but wanted them to come to a meeting so Amber will reach out and see if they can come to the next meeting in March. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Tory it was duly passed to approve the Clerks Report.

On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve Resolution 26.2.1 Adopt 2025 Nobles County Hazard Mitigation Plan. All in favor, motion carried.

On a motion by Austin and seconded by Tory it was duly passed to approve Resolution 26.2.2 Agreement with Nobles County for seal coating. All in favor, motion carried.

Calvin Loosbrock filled out the permit form with all of the information for the storage shed and on a motion by Austin and seconded by Tory it was duly passed to allow Calvin to place the storage shed by the building on Main Street with the condition that it would not obstruct the view for turning. All in favor, motion carried.

Nobles2 Windfarm Grant money – Council is still thinking on what/where they want to spend this on but plan to get a quote to place industrial fans in the park shelter. Amber will keep on agenda until money is spent.

Lois Veld culvert – Tabled until Spring.

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

Amber got more info on the cost of a cell phone which would be around \$70 a month or Council could pay for phone usage like they do with Josh which is \$240 per year. On a motion by Tory & seconded by Ken it was duly passed to pay Amber annually for cell phone usage. All in favor, motion carried.

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

The next Council meeting will be held on Monday, March 9, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Minutes taken by Amber Bertrand, City Clerk