

City of Lismore  
Minutes of the Council  
May 11, 2026

The following are the minutes of the City Council meeting held on May 11, 2026. In attendance for the Council: Austin Garms, Ken Leinen & Mayor Andrew Fodness. Absent were Tory Bohlke & Ryan Schieck. Andrew Fodness called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was done.

On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the agenda. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on April 13, 2026 & the LBAE Meeting minutes held on April 22, 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, approve time sheets and make the stated transfers.

Maintenance report – Josh gave the report – There will be a meeting with the County and the Chip Sealing Company coming up soon to finalize dates on when roads will be done. Andrew brought up what the City plans to do with the residents who have an area of their boulevard tarred. Josh will ask the contractor if they want to work with only the City or individuals on their portions and if the company doesn't want to work with individuals the City can ask those that have that and see if they are wanting to get their portion done when we chip seal the City roads and if so they would have to pay the City the cost which we will get when the County invoices us. Council thought this was a good idea so Amber plans to make a flyer with the info and if the contractor says they will work only with City, those who want to have their area done will need to sign a form stating they understand they will be billed for their portion from the City – Josh will hand these out to the ones affected. Josh wants to give a huge thanks to Ken Leinen, Andrew Fodness and Lee Henning for helping out with the crack filling. Playground equipment has been installed and the City wants to thank the Booster Club for all they do to keep the City equipped with park equipment and for all the work they put into the ballfield. Titan leased tractor was returned. When Josh went to training in Pipestone MRWA had a pamphlet that talked about Valve Exercising which is something that should be done annually. MRWA has a machine that can be rented for \$175/day and Josh figured it would take around 3 days. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the rental of the machine annually from MRWA to do Valve Exercising, all in favor, motion carried. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the Maintenance report.

Fire Department report – No one present, nothing new to discuss so no motion needed.

Amber Bertrand gave the clerks report – Amber did mail out around 12 letters to residents about expired tabs and junk vehicles. Amber plans to mail letters for those that have let their grass grow too long this week. On a motion by Austin and seconded by Ken it was duly passed to approve the Clerks Report.

Nobles2 Windfarm Grant money – Andrew had gotten an estimate from McClure Electric for the fans in the park shelter and also to change out the old shop lights to LED. Total estimate came in at \$3,128.00. Amber did explain that the grant money had to be used to the benefit of the community so the fans portion of the estimate which was \$1,768 and then the pea rock that was purchased for the new park equipment which was \$1,134.20 is what will have been paid for by the Nobles2 Wind Farm Grant. On a motion by Ken and seconded by Austin it was duly passed to approve the McClure Estimate for \$3,128.00 with the understanding that the shop lights are not being funded by the grant, all in favor, motion carried. Amber will reach out to McClure Electric to let them know.

Lois Veld culvert – Purchased the items and working on getting it more leveled/fixed.

Voting in person – leaving on agenda until we compare voting results and then will discuss.

Clavin Loosbrock has withdrawn his request to hook up to the City Sewer.

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, June 8, 2026 at 6:00 pm.

Minutes taken by Amber Bertrand, City Clerk