

CITY OF LA CRESCENT
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
LA CRESCENT COMMUNITY BUILDING
336 SOUTH FIRST STREET
FEBRUARY 23, 2026
5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
ROLL CALL
ACTION TO CHANGE AGENDA

1. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed under the consent agenda are considered routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- 1.1 MINUTES – FEBRUARY 9, 2026
- 1.2 MINUTES – FEBRUARY 17, 2026
- 1.3 BILLS PAYABLE THROUGH FEBRUARY 20, 2026

2. PUBLIC HEARING/MEETING

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 RESOLUTION – DNR NATURAL & SCENIC GRANT APPLICATION
- 3.2 CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING – SMALL CITIES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM/WALNUT STREET PROJECT
- 3.3 AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURE – ORCHARDVIEW BOOSTER STATION
- 3.4 APPROVE PLANS & SPECIFICATIONS/AUTHORIZE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS – WIESER PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT
- 3.5 INDEPENDENT MUNICIPAL ADVISER PROPOSALS – 2026 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ISSUE
- 3.6 CHANGE TIME TO SUBMIT AGENDA REQUEST FORM
- 3.7 PERSONNEL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
- 3.8 DONATION RESOLUTION
- 3.9 GAMBLING PERMIT APPLICATION

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4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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5. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

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6. STAFF CORRESPONDENCE/COMMITTEE UPDATES

- 6.1 PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES – 2/2/26
- 6.2 EXPLORE LA CROSSE
- 6.3
- 6.4

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1
- 7.2
- 7.3

8. HOUSTON COUNTY

8.1

9. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

9.1

10 ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

11. ADJOURNMENT

#1.1

MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA
FEBRUARY 09, 2026

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the first meeting of the City Council of the City of La Crescent for the month of February was called to order by Mayor Mike Poellinger at 5:00 PM in the La Crescent Community Building, La Crescent, Minnesota, on Monday, February 9, 2026.

Upon a roll call taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following members were present: Members Cheryl Jostad, Chris Langen, Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner, Dale Williams, and Mayor Mike Poellinger. Members absent: None. Also present were City Administrator Bill Waller, City Attorney Skip Wieser, Public Works Director Tyler Benish, Finance Director Kara Tarrence, and Sustainability Coordinator Jason Ludwigson.

ITEM 1 – CONSENT AGENDA

At this time, the Mayor read the following items to be considered as part of the Consent Agenda for this regular meeting:

- 1.1 MINUTES – JANUARY 26, 2026
- 1.2 BILLS PAYABLE THROUGH – FEBRUARY 6, 2026

At the conclusion of the reading of the Consent Agenda, Mayor Poellinger asked if the Council wished to have any of the items removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion.

Member O'Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Langen, as follows:

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cheryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.1 – REQUEST TO BURN – THOMAS RIFFE

Eagle Scout Thomas Riffe had an agenda request and addressed City Council. Mr. Riffe is constructing a bike track/trail on ISD300 property. As a result of clearing way for the track, there are two large brush piles that Mr. Riffe would like to burn. Because open burning is prohibited in the City of La Crescent, Mr. Riffe would like permission from the City Council to apply for a burn permit through the DNR to burn the piles. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE EAGLE SCOUT THOMAS RIFFE TO APPLY FOR A BURN PERMIT THROUGH THE DNR TO BURN TWO LARGE BRUSH PILES ON ISD300 PROPERTY.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cheryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.2 – PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES – FEBRUARY 3, 2026

Attorney Wieser reviewed with City Council three items from the February 3, 2026, Planning Commission meeting requiring City Council consideration.

A. REZONING – CRUCIFIXION CHURCH AND SCHOOL

The Crucifixion Church would like to rezone the properties they own located at 407 South 2nd Street and 420 South 2nd Street from C-1 Highway Commercial and R-2 Single-Family/Two-Family Residential to Central Business District (CBD). The Planning Commission is recommending that City Council approve the rezoning request. Following discussion, Member Jostad made a motion, seconded by Member Williams as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REZONING OF THE CRUCIFIXION CHURCH PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 407 SOUTH 2ND STREET AND 420 SOUTH 2ND STREET FROM C-1 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL AND R-2 SINGLE-FAMILY/TWO-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT (CBD).

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

B. CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT – CRUCIFIXION SCHOOL AND DAYCARE

The Crucifixion Church has applied for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for their property located at 420 South 2nd Street to allow for an approximate 9,500 square foot childcare addition onto the existing gym, with a storage room and restrooms at the gymnasium level. The Planning Commission is recommending that City Council approve the CUP based on the following conditions and findings:

Conditions of Approval:

1. This CUP is conditionally approved pursuant to Chapter 12, ZONING ORDINANCE of the City of La Crescent, Minnesota, Section 12-06, Conditional Use Permits and the use shall be as set forth in accordance with the application and plans attached and associated to this case and all the provisions of the zoning ordinance and city codes applicable to this case.
2. Applicant will abide by the representations made by the applicant, or their agents, made during the permitting process, to the extent those representations were not negated by the Planning Commission or City Council and to the extent they are not inconsistent with spirit or letter explicit conditions of the Conditional Use Permit.
3. The applicant shall comply with the city's adopted building codes.
4. Any security and site lighting shall be "Dark Sky" compliant, wherein all light sources shall be down-lit, full cutoff fixtures and shielded, and the correlated color temperature ("CCT") shall not exceed 2,700 Kelvins.
5. Applicant shall comply with all federal, state, and local regulations.

Findings:

- A. That the conditional use will not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted, nor substantially diminish and impair property value within the immediate vicinity.

Staff Comment: The proposed conditional use would not be injurious to the use and enjoyment of other property in the immediate vicinity for the purposes already permitted. The proposed conditional use could potentially add value to properties in the immediate vicinity with the expansion of childcare in the neighborhood.

- B. That the establishment of the conditional use will not impede the normal and orderly development and improvement of surrounding vacant property for uses predominant in the area.

Staff Comment: The proposed project will not impede any development as the surrounding properties are established developments.

- C. That adequate utilities, access roads, drainage and other necessary facilities have been or are being provided.

Staff Comment: Utilities, access roads, drainage, and other facilities will be added or increased if needed per design of an engineer and with City of La Crescent approval.

- D. That adequate measures have been or will be taken to provide sufficient off-street parking and loading space to serve the proposed use.

Staff Comment: Additional parking will be added to the property to support any increase in parking needs.

- E. That adequate measures have been or will be taken to prevent or control offensive odor, fumes, dust, noise and vibration, so that none of these will constitute a nuisance, and to control lighted signs and other lights in such a manner that no disturbance to neighboring properties will result. The use is consistent with the purposes of the zoning code and the purposes of the zoning district in which the applicant intends to locate the proposed use.

Staff Comment: The intended use is the same as the current use, and will not constitute a nuisance. It is staff's opinion that the use is consistent with the purposes of the zoning code and purposes of the zoning district.

- F. The use is not in conflict with the policies of the City of La Crescent.

Staff Comment: The proposed use is not in conflict with the policies of the City of La Crescent.

G. The use will not cause traffic hazards or congestion.

Staff Comment: The proposed use should not cause traffic hazards or congestion as they are currently operating as a school and childcare.

H. Existing uses will not be adversely affected because of curtailment of customer trade brought about by intrusion of noise, glare or general unsightliness.

Staff Comment: Existing uses will not be adversely affected.

Following discussion, Member Langen made a motion, seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION FROM THE CRUCIFIXION CHURCH FOR AN APPROXIMATE 9,500 SQUARE FOOT CHILDCARE ADDITION ONTO THE EXISTING GYM, WITH A STORAGE ROOM AND RESTROOMS AT THE GYMNASIUM LEVEL BASED ON THE PRESENTED FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cheryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

A. PRELIMINARY PLAT – COULEE REGION PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Coulee Region Property Management has submitted a Preliminary Plat Application for the three parcels they own located at 318 South Walnut street, 309 South Oak Street, and an unaddressed parcel in between the two. Coulee Region Property Management would like to combine all three parcels into one parcel to add an access road off Oak Street. The Planning Commission is recommending that City Council approve the Preliminary Plat application based on the following conditions and findings:

Conditions of Approval:

1. Grading, Drainage, and Erosion Control Plan approved by the City Engineer.
2. Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan approved by the City Engineer. Drainage calculations need to be submitted to meet city and state requirements.
3. Developer enters into a Development Agreement with the City to be approved by the City Attorney and City Council prior to the final plat. Development Agreement will address the following:
 - a. Incorporating all representations of applicant/developer contained in December 17, 2025, application to the City including, but not limited to:
 - i. Paragraph 5 regarding removing of all nonconforming features prior to November 2026;
 - ii. Paragraph 11 amending the grading and construction plan to remove the bituminous parking on City owned property;
 - iii. Address canopy removal;
 - iv. Access road will be aligned to modify with this intersection of South 4th Street and Oak Street.
 - b. All mortgagee(s) of record will join in execution of the plat.
 - c. All easements of record being clearly identified on the plat.
 - d. Developer installing a sidewalk as contained in their application no later than November 2026.
 - e. All items identified by WHKS in correspondence dated January 26, 2026.
 - f. The City will allow a curb cut at 401 South Oak Street. Any utility relocation will be at applicant's expense.
4. The applicant will submit plat to MNDOT for review and comment before approval of final plat.
5. The applicant/developer will abide by all representations made by the applicant/developer or their agents made during the permitting process, to the extent those representations were not negated by the Planning Commission or City Council and to the extent they are not inconsistent with the spirit or explicit conditions of the conditional use permit.
6. That the applicant/developer comply with all applicable federal, state, and local regulations.

7. Additional easements required by private utility companies, if any, should be platted. All proposed utility conduit crossings must be shown on the final plans. All related private utility fees shall be paid by the Developer.
8. No sitework will begin until approval and reordering of the final plat.

Findings:

1. The property owner proposes to use the property in a reasonable manner permitted by the Zoning Ordinance
2. The request is in harmony with the general purposes and intent of the ordinance and consistent with the comprehensive plan.
3. The basic layout is acceptable.
4. The proposed development is consistent with the general vision for the City.
5. 401 Oak Street South was rezoned commercial by the city in 2010.
6. The access road design is compliant with Minnesota Fire Code. Applicant has conducted a traffic study by a licensed engineer. The traffic study has been reviewed and approved by the city engineer.

Following discussion, Member Langen made a motion, seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY COULEE REGION PROPERTY MANAGEMENT TO COMBINE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 318 SOUTH WALNUT STREET, 309 SOUTH OAK STREET, AND AN UNADDRESSED PARCEL IN BETWEEN INTO ONE PARCEL TO ADD AN ACCESS ROAD OFF OAK STREET BASED ON THE PRESENTED FINDINGS AND CONDITIONS.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.3 – 2025 POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT

City Administrator Bill Waller reviewed the 2025 Police Department Annual Report with City Council. This item was informational only. No action was required.

ITEM 3.4 – MESSAGE TO CITY COUNCIL – VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE POLICE CHIEF

City Administrator Bill Waller reviewed with City Council a message from Police Chief Luke Ahlschlager and a vote of no confidence by the officers in the Police Department. Mr. Waller then reviewed a memo he wrote to City Council regarding a recognition of the Police Chief by the Police Officers that took place at the November 25, 2024, City Council meeting. Mr. Waller concluded his memo by stating that he supports Luke Ahlschlager as the City’s Chief of Police. It was recommended that City Council authorize Mayor Poellinger to meet with the Police Department to review the vote of no confidence. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE MAYOR POELLINGER TO MEET WITH THE LA CRESCENT POLICE DEPARTMENT TO REVIEW VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.5 – OPTION AGREEMENT – PROPERTY ACQUISITION

Sustainability Coordinator Jason Ludwigson reviewed with City Council an Option Agreement and memorandum between Fruit Acres, Inc. and the City of La Crescent to purchase a 40-acre bluffland property. The 40-acre property abuts the City’s north end park. Acquisition of the property would create an approximately 70-acre protected bluffland park. If the Option Agreement is approved the City will be using the \$50,000 donation from the Carl and Verna Schmidt Foundation and the \$50,000 donation from the Paul E. Stry Foundation as a match for the MnDNR Natural and Scenic Area Grant Program. If the Option Agreement is approved, then the plan would be to apply for the MnDNR Natural and Scenic Area Grant program in early 2026. The MnDNR Natural and Scenic Area Grant funding, if awarded, would cover up to 50 % of the appraised value of the property. The City would look for additional state grants

and private foundation funding for the additional matching funds for the MnDNR Natural and Scenic Area Grant. A map of the property and its relation to the existing north end park was included. It was recommended that City Council approve the Option Agreement between Fruit Acres, Inc. and the City of La Crescent. Following discussion, Member O'Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Williams as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE OPTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN FRUIT ACRES, INC. AND THE CITY OF LA CRESCENT TO PURCHASE 40-ACRES OF BLUFFLAND PROPERTY THAT ABUTS THE CITY'S NORTH END PARK UTILIZING THE \$50,000 DONATION FROM THE CARL AND VERNA SCHMIDT FOUNDATION AND THE \$50,000 DONATION FROM THE PAUL E. STRY FOUNDATION AS A MATCH FOR THE MNDNR NATURAL AND SCENIC AREA GRANT APPLICATION.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.6 – AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURE – PROPERTY APPRAISAL

Sustainability Coordinator Jason Ludwigson reviewed with City Council an appraisal from Brad McNally with True Footage in the amount of \$500 for appraising the Fruit Acres, Inc. 40-acre property discussed in item 3.5. The cost for the appraisal would be covered by the funds donated by the Carl and Verna Schmidt Foundation and the Paul E. Stry Foundation. If the appraisal comes in higher than the price specified in the Option Agreement the difference can be used as a match for the MnDNR Natural and Scenic Area Grant. Following discussion, Member Willimas made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE \$500 FOR AN APPRAISAL ESTIMATE BY BRAD MCNALLY WITH TRUE FOOTAGE FOR APPRAISING THE FRUIT ACRES, INC. 40-ACRE BLUFFLAND PROPERTY WITH THE COST BEING COVERED BY FUNDS DONATED BY THE CARL AND VERNA SCHMIDT FOUNDATION AND THE PAUL E. STRY FOUNDATION.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.7 – 2026 WATER DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Public Works Director Tyler Benish reviewed the 2026 Water Department budget with City Council. The Water Department budget revenue reflects a five percent (5%) water rate increase, a \$1.50 increase to 5/8-inch meter size fixed fee and a \$1.00 increase to all other meter size fixed fees. The Water Department expenses include an increase to the wells; water mains; pumps budget line for a project to replace two 12-inch check-valves on the inflow and outflow mains of the Stoney Point reservoir. Additional increases include staff wages and chemical costs. The Water Department will have a new debt from the water main replacement on Walnut Street. Chemical costs have increased by twelve percent (12%) since 2023. The Water Department has over \$300,000 in deferred maintenance and approximately \$150,000 in updates and maintenance needs in the next five years. The water utility fund balance and cash flow are considered for the bond rating. The current rates and cash flow may negatively affect the 2026 bond rating. It was recommended that City Council approve the 2026 Water Department budget effective April 1, 2026. Following discussion, Member O'Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2026 WATER DEPARTMENT BUDGET AS STATED EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2026.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.8 – 2026 SEWER DEPARTMENT BUDGET

Public Works Director Tyler Benish reviewed the 2026 Sanitary Sewer Department budget with City Council. The Sewer Department budget revenue reflects a change in the fixed fee from \$70.37 per unit to \$100.00 per unit and an additional sewer charge increase of \$0.02 per 1,000 gallons over 30,000 in the Spring Quarter. There is also a proposed increase in 2027 from \$100.00 per unit to \$115.00 per unit. The Sewer Department expenses include an increase to the contracted services for wastewater treatment provided by the City of La Crosse, and staff wages. The wastewater contract with La Crosse has increased from \$2,365.00 per million gallons in 2022 to \$3,829.85 per million gallons in 2026. That is an increase of sixty-two percent (62%). The City of La Crescent sent 98,295,851 gallons to La Crosse in 2025, and 101,288,796 gallons in 2024. The agreement with La Crosse expires in 2041. The Sewer Utility fund balance and cash flow are considered for the bond rating. The current rates and cash flow may negatively affect the 2026 bond rating. It was recommended that City Council approve the 2026 Sewer Department budget, effective April 1, 2026. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2026 SEWER BUDGET AS STATED EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2026, WITH AN ADDITIONAL INCREASE TO THE FIXED FEE PER UNIT IN 2027.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.9 – AMEND FEE SCHEDULE ORDINANCE

City Council reviewed Ordinance No. 596 amending the 2026 Master Fee Schedule which includes the 2026 and 2027 Water/Sewer rates as well as the 2026 rates for Pine Creek Golf Course. Following discussion, Member O'Donnell-Ebner introduced the following ordinance and moved its passage and adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 596

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LA CRESCENT AMENDING THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE CITY OF LA CRESCENT AS SET FORTH IN ORDINANCES NO. 404,

NO. 438, NO. 448, NO. 459, NO. 483, NO. 492, NO. 500, NO. 540, NO. 542, NO. 544, NO. 545, NO. 548, NO. 552, NO. 554, NO. 557, NO. 564, NO. 565, NO. 566, NO. 569, NO. 571, NO. 579, NO. 583, No. 590, and NO. 595

The City Council of the City of La Crescent, Houston County, Minnesota hereby ordains:

1. The La Crescent City Code established on March 8, 2004, stated that certain fees may be set from time to time by the City Council.
2. The La Crescent City Code was amended on January 28, 2008, January 12, 2009, January 11, 2010, January 13, 2014, February 9, 2015, February 8, 2016, February 24, 2020, April 13, 2020, April 27, 2020, May 18, 2020, December 14, 2020, April 20, 2021, and December 13, 2021, December 19, 2022, February 13, 2023, April 24, 2023, June 26, 2023, July 24, 2023, and December 11, 2023 by Ordinance to amend certain fees.
3. The Fee Schedule has been reviewed by City Staff and amended each year from 2016 to 2024 by Motions passed by City Council. These amendments passed by City Council shall remain in effect.
4. The City staff has reviewed the fees which the City currently charges and is recommending that the fee schedule be amended as follows:

GOLF

2026 SEASON PASSES – GOOD ANYTIME REQUIRES TEE TIME (ON A 1 ST COME BASIS)	
FAMILY – (2 ADULTS AND CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 17)	\$650.00
SINGLE	\$460.00
SINGLE WITH CAR	\$775.00
COUPLES WITH CAR (2 ADULTS SAME RESIDENCE)	\$1,000.00
GOLF CAR TRAIL PASS	\$140.00 (FOR USE OF PERSONAL RIDING CAR FOR THE SEASON)
<i>\$9.00 PER PERSON CAR RENTAL (\$5.00 for additional round)/PLAY AT RECIPROCAL COURSES*/SEASON PASSES MAY BE USED FOR LEAGUE PLAY & GROUP OUTING DISCOUNTS WHEN SPECIFIED/NO ADDITIONAL COST TO RIDE ALONE/ \$2.00 Pull Cart Rental</i>	
2026 DAILY FEES	
9 HOLES	\$17.00
18 HOLES	\$24.00 OR \$37.00 W/RIDING CAR

RIDING CAR	\$11.00 PER PERSON PER 9 HOLES/RIDE ALONE \$14.00 PER PERSON PER 9 HOLES.
PULL CARTS	\$5.00
TRAIL PASS	\$8.00 (DAILY RATE FOR USE OF PERSONAL CAR, WITHOUT SEASON TRAIL PASS)
SENIOR (60+)	
9 HOLES	\$15.00
18 HOLES – WEEKDAY	\$21.00 OR \$34.00 W/RIDING CAR
JUNIOR RATES – 11-17 YEARS	
9 HOLES	\$8.00
18 HOLES – EVERY DAY	\$10.00 - MAY RIDE FREE WITH PAID ADULT
JUNIOR RATE (10 AND UNDER)	
9 HOLES – FOR 9 HOLES WITH PAID ADULT, & RIDE FOR FREE WITH PAID ADULT	\$5.00
PUNCH CARDS	
5 ROUND GOLF ONLY \$75.00/10 ROUND GOLF ONLY \$135.00	
5 PUNCH CAR \$50.00*/10 PUNCH CAR \$90.00*	
5 ROUND PLAY & RIDE \$125.00*/10 ROUND PLAY & RIDE \$220.00*	
LEAGUE ONLY CARDS —SENIOR 10 ROUND GOLF \$80.00/SENIOR 10 PUNCH PLAY & RIDE \$150.00*	
6 ROUND MEN’S, LADIES LEAGUE \$55.00/6 ROUND PLAY & RIDE \$100.00*	
LEAGUE ONLY CARDS —SENIOR 10 ROUND GOLF \$80.00/SENIOR 10 PUNCH PLAY & RIDE \$150.00*	
6 ROUND MEN’S, LADIES LEAGUE \$55.00/6 ROUND PLAY & RIDE \$100.00*	
LEAGUE RATES	
SENIOR LEAGUE \$9.00 9 HOLES/\$10.00 RIDING CAR	
MENS, LADIES \$10.00 9 HOLES/\$10.00 RIDING CAR	
COUPLES LEAGUE \$9.00 PER PERSON 9 HOLES/\$10.00 PER PERSON RIDING CAR	
<i>DISCOUNTS FOR GROUP OR COMPANY OUTING – GROUP CATERING AVAILABLE</i>	
*RECIPROCAL COURSES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE, MUST CALL FOR TEE TIMES, AND RECIPROCAL COURSE RESTRICTIONS.	
*PUNCH PLUS \$3.00 WHEN RIDING ALONE USING A RIDING CAR PUNCH CARD	

SANITARY SEWER

SANITARY SEWER	2026
Wastewater hookup fee	\$1,255.00
City of La Crosse Connection Fee	\$730.00 per Residential Equivalent Connection ("REC"). Multifamily residential property shall have the number of REC equal to the number of dwelling units. Each nonresidential property is assigned RECs based upon estimated usage compared to that of an average residential user. For each new non-residential connection, the City Engineer will prepare a usage estimate, to be approved by the City of La Crosse.
Rates	See below

		SEWER MIN. CHARGE	ADD'L SEWER CHARGE	SEWER MIN. CHARGE 2027	ADD'L SEWER CHARGE 2027
		Effective 4/1/26	Effective 4/1/26	Effective 1/1/27	
Commercial					
rate code #14	5/8"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #15	3/4"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #16	1"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #17	1 1/4"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #18	1 1/2"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #19	2"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #20	3"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #21	4"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #22	6"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #23	8"	\$100	.35/thous.	\$115	.35/thous.
rate code #38	sewer only	\$100	.00	\$115	.00
governmental					

THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL SEWER CHARGE IF SPRING QUARTER IS OVER 30,000 GALLONS

		SEWER MIN. CHARGE Effective 4/1/26	ADD'L SEWER CHARGE Effective 4/1/26	SEWER MIN. CHARGE 2027 Effective 1/1/27	ADD'L SEWER CHARGE 2027
Residential:					
rate code #1	5/8"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #2	3/4"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #3	1"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #4	1 1/4"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #5	1 1/2"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #6	2"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #7	3"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #8	4"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #9	6"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #10	8"	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #11	metered wells	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #12	sewer only	\$100	.28/thous.	\$115	.28/thous.
rate code #25	2 units	\$200	.28/thous.	\$230	.28/thous.
rate code #27	3 units	\$300	.28/thous.	\$345	.28/thous.
rate code #31	4 units	\$400	.28/thous.	\$460	.28/thous.
rate code #28	5 units	\$500	.28/thous.	\$575	.28/thous.
rate code #34	6 units	\$600	.28/thous.	\$690	.28/thous.
rate code #36	8 units	\$800	.28/thous.	\$920	.28/thous.
rate code #35	10 units	\$1,000	.28/thous.	\$1,150	.28/thous.
rate code #30	12 units	\$1,200	.28/thous.	\$1,380	.28/thous.
rate code #33	16 units	\$1,600	.28/thous.	\$1,840	.28/thous.
rate code #32	20 units	\$2,000	.28/thous.	\$2,300	.28/thous.
rate code #29	34 units	\$3,400	.28/thous.	\$3,910	.28/thous.

THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL SEWER CHARGE IF SPRING QUARTER IS OVER 30,000 GALLONS

WATER

WATER	2026
Water hookup fee	\$1,000.00
Pressure reducer valves – charge is	Charge would be rate the city is charged to purchase

price city pays per invoice from manufacturer	the pressure-reducing valve. This charge will fluctuate.
MXU charge (new construction)	\$165.00– this is the rate the city is presently charged to purchase the remote reader. This charge will fluctuate.
Reconnection fee (for non-payment of water bill)	\$30.00
Water Meter Replacement	Property owners that refuse to give the City access to their water meter or fail to respond after receiving notification to change out a water meter when necessary will be charged \$50.00/Month, until access is allowed.
Hydrant use -	Minimum \$20.00 or \$15.00 being charged per thousand gallons (Minimum charge excluding sales tax). Commercial water sales are taxable.
Rates	See pages 21 and 22.

WATER USAGE	RATE Effective 4/1/2026	RATE Effective 1/1/2027
0-5,000 GALLONS	\$7.28/THOUS. GAL.	\$8.05/THOUS. GAL.
5,001 – 10,000 GALLONS	\$8.69/THOUS. GAL.	\$9.13/THOUS. GAL.
10,001 – 25,000 GALLONS	\$8.75/THOUS. GAL.	\$9.18/THOUS. GAL.
25,001 – 35,000 GALLONS	\$8.80/THOUS. GAL.	\$9.24/THOUS. GAL.
> 35,000 GALLONS	\$9.01/THOUS. GAL.	\$9.46/THOUS. GAL.
RESIDENTIAL SEWER	MINIMUM \$100 ADD’L \$0.28 CENTS PER THOUS. GAL. OF WTR (> 30,000 GAL.) USED IN SPRING QTR.	MINIMUM \$115 ADD’L \$0.28 CENTS PER THOUS. GAL. OF WTR (>30,000 GAL.) USED IN SPRING QTR
COMMERCIAL SEWER	MINIMUM \$100 ADD’L \$0.35 CENTS PER THOUS. GAL. OF WTR (>30,000 GAL.) USED IN SPRING QTR.	MINIMUM \$115 ADD’L \$0.35 CENTS PER THOUS. GAL. OF WTR (>30,000 GAL.) USED IN SPRING QTR.

		FIXED WATER FEE Effective 4/1/2026	FIXED WATER FEE Effective 1/1/2027
Commercial			

		FIXED WATER FEE Effective 4/1/2026	FIXED WATER FEE Effective 1/1/2027
rate code #14	5/8"	\$4.50	\$5.50
rate code #15	3/4"	\$11.50	\$12.50
rate code #16	1"	\$22.00	\$23.00
rate code #17	1 1/4"	\$32.50	\$33.50
rate code #18	1 1/2"	\$43.00	\$44.00
rate code #19	2"	\$69.25	\$70.25
rate code #20	3"	\$85.00	\$86.00
rate code #21	4"	\$106.00	\$107.00
rate code #22	6"	\$137.50	\$138.50
rate code #23	8"	\$169.00	\$170.00
rate code #24	metered wells	\$8.35	\$9.35
rate code #26	fire protection	\$8.35	\$9.35
rate code #37	1" greenhouse	\$22.00	\$23.00
rate code #38	sewer only	00.00	00.00
governmental			

		FIXED WATER FEE Effective 4/1/2026	FIXED WATER FEE Effective 1/1/2027
Residential:			
rate code #1	5/8"	\$4.50	\$5.50
rate code #2	3/4"	\$11.50	\$12.50
rate code #3	1"	\$22.00	\$23.00
rate code #4	1 1/4"	\$32.50	\$33.50
rate code #5	1 1/2"	\$43.00	\$44.00
rate code #6	2"	\$69.25	\$70.25
rate code #7	3"	\$85.00	\$86.00
rate code #8	4"	\$106.00	\$107.00
rate code #9	6"	\$137.50	\$138.50
rate code #10	8"	\$169.00	\$170.00
rate code #11	metered wells	\$8.35	\$9.35
rate code #12	sewer only	0.00	0.00
rate code #25	2 units	\$5.20	\$6.20
rate code #27	3 units	\$7.30	\$8.30

		FIXED WATER FEE Effective 4/1/2026	FIXED WATER FEE Effective 1/1/2027
rate code #31	4 units	\$9.40	\$10.40
rate code #28	5 units	\$11.50	\$12.50
rate code #34	6 units	\$13.60	\$14.60
rate code #36	8 units	\$17.80	\$18.80
rate code #35	10 units	\$22.00	\$23.00
rate code #30	12 units	\$26.20	\$27.20
rate code #33	16 units	\$34.60	\$35.60
rate code #32	20 units	\$43.00	\$44.00
rate code #29	34 units	\$72.40	\$73.40

THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL SEWER CHARGE IF SPRING QUARTER IS OVER 30,000 GALLONS

The foregoing motion was duly seconded by Member Williams and upon a roll call vote taken by the Public Works Director, the following Members vote in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mayor Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

Following discussion, Member Jostad made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION THAT A PRÉCIS FORMAT OF SAID ORDINANCE 596 BE PUBLISHED IN THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER OF THE CITY AND WITH "OFFICIAL COPY" SO MARKED BE KEPT ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.10 – GAMBLING PERMIT APPLICATION

City Council reviewed a gambling permit application for ABLE, Inc. to hold a raffle on April 10, 2026, at the La Crescent Area Event Center. The application appears to be in order, and it was recommended that City Council approve the application and authorize Administrative Assistant Chris Fortsch to forward the application to the Minnesota Gambling Control Board. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE GAMBLING PERMIT APPLICATION FROM ABLE, INC. TO HOLD A RAFFLE ON APRIL 10, 2026, AT THE LA CRESCENT AREA EVENT CENTER AND AUTHORIZE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT CHRIS FORTSCH TO FORWARD THE APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA GAMBLING CONTROL BOARD.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.11 – CALL FOR SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Administrator Bill Waller recommended that City Council call for a Special City Council meeting on Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 5:00 pm, at the La Crescent Community Building. The purpose of the meeting will be to announce the finalists for the City Administrator's position, review the process for conducting the interviews, and call for a Special City Council meeting at 2:00 pm, on Monday March 2, 2026, at the La Crescent Community Building. The purpose of the meeting on March 2nd will be to conduct interviews of the finalists for the position. Following discussion it was recommended to change the meeting time on March 2, 2026, to 2:30 pm. Following discussion, Member O'Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION TO CALL FOR A SPECIAL MEETING ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026, AT 5:00 PM, AT THE LA CRESCENT COMMUNITY BUILDING FOR PURPOSES OF ANNOUNCING THE FINALISTS FOR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR POSITION, REVIEW THE PROCESS

FOR CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS, AND CALL FOR A SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 2:30 PM ON MONDAY MARCH 2, 2026, AT THE LA CRESCENT COMMUNITY BUILDING TO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS OF THE FINALISTS.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

ITEM 3.12 – PERSONNEL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

The Personnel Committee had the following recommendations for consideration by the City Council:

1. The City Council reviewed the memo and meeting minutes from the December 8, 2025, City Council meeting regarding the step increase for City Clerk Angie Boettcher. The memo has Ms. Boettcher moving from step 3 to step 4, but the minutes have Ms. Boettcher moving from step 2 to step 3 in the salary schedule. The Personnel Committee is recommending that the minutes of the December 8, 2025, be amended to reflect that effective January 23, 2026, Ms. Boettcher be moved from step 3 to step 4 in the salary schedule for the position. Following discussion, Member Langen made a motion, seconded by Member Jostad as follows:

MOTION TO AMEND THE DECEMBER 8, 2025, CITY COUNCIL MINUTES TO REFLECT THAT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 23, 2026, THAT CITY CLERK ANGIE BOETTCHER BE MOVED FROM STEP 3 TO STEP 4 IN THE SALARY SCHEDULE FOR THE POSITION.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

2. On March 10, 2026, Josh Tarrence will have completed his twelve-month probationary period as the La Crescent Fire Chief. The Personnel Committee is recommending that effective March 10, 2026, Mr. Tarrence's probationary status be removed and that he be classified as a regular City of La Crescent Employee. Following discussion, Member O'Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION TO REMOVE JOSH TARRENCE'S PROBATIONARY STATUS AS THE LA CRESCENT FIRE CHIEF AND THAT EFFECTIVE MARCH 10, 2026, MR. TARRENCE BE CLASSIFIED AS A REGULAR CITY OF LA CRESCENT EMPLOYEE.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

3. The Personnel Committee is recommending that the City Council accept Abby Kerska's resignation from the La Crescent Fire Department effective February 2, 2026, and Zach Zolondek's resignation from the La Crescent Fire Department effective January 21, 2026. A letter from the Fire Chief regarding the recommendation was included. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Langen as follows:

MOTION TO ACCEPT ABBY KERSKA'S RESIGNATION FROM THE LA CRESCENT FIRE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 2, 2026, AND ZACK ZOLENDECK'S RESIGNATION FROM THE LA CRESCENT FIRE DEPARTMENT, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 21, 2026.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes

Mike Poellinger Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

4. The Personnel Committee is recommending that the City Council appoint Diane Palm to fill the current vacancy on the City's Park & Recreation Commission. Ms. Palm is active with the Friends of the Library, Healthy Community Partnership, and the La Crescent Food Shelf. Following discussion, Member O'Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Williams as follows:

MOTION TO APPOINT DIANE PALM TO FILL THE CURRENT VACANCY ON THE CITY'S PARK & RECREATION COMMISSION.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

7. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Chamber of Commerce representative Jon Wilson was in attendance and provided an update. There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Member O'Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Jostad to adjourn the meeting. Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the Public Works Director, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried and the meeting duly adjourned at 5:46 P.M.

APPROVAL DATE: _____.

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator

MINUTES, SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA
FEBRUARY 17, 2026

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Special City Council of the City of La Crescent was called to order by Mayor Mike Poellinger at 5:00 PM in the La Crescent Community Building, La Crescent, Minnesota, on Tuesday, February 17, 2026.

Upon a roll call taken and tallied by the City Clerk, the following members were present: Members Cherryl Jostad, Chris Langen, Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner, Dale Williams, and Mayor Mike Poellinger. Members absent: None. Also present were, City Administrator Bill Waller, City Attorney Skip Wieser, Finance Director Kara Tarrence, and City Clerk Angie Boettcher.

ITEM 4 – ANNOUNCE FINALISTS FOR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR POSITION

Attorney Wieser addressed the announcement of the finalists from the selection process for the City Administrator position. Finance Director Kara Tarrence then named the finalists in no particular order, as follows:

1. Cassandra Hanan – Administrative Coordinator, Vernon County, Wisconsin
2. Tyler Benish - Public Works Director, City of La Crescent
3. Brock Waters – City Administrator/Public Works Director, Osage, Iowa
4. Zeke Jackson – Village Administrator, Waterford, Wisconsin

ITEM 5 – REVIEW PROCESS FOR CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS

Attorney Wieser reviewed with City Council the process for conducting the interviews of the finalists, which includes:

1. Calling for a Special Meeting at 2:30 pm on Monday, March 2, 2026, at the La Crescent Community Building for the purpose of conducting interviews of the applicants identified by Ms. Tarrence for the position of City Administrator.
2. Twenty to twenty-five interview questions will be prepared by Attorney Wieser and Ms. Tarrence. City Council will be provided with those questions at the meeting.
3. Ms. Tarrence will read the questions to the applicants.
4. Each interview is scheduled for one hour, with a recess between each interview if the entire hour is not needed and then reconvene at the time of the next interview.
5. The public portions of the applicants resume, will be provided to City Council the Friday before the meeting with redactions of non-public data.

Following discussion, Member Langen made a motion, seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner as follows:

MOTION TO CALL FOR A SPECIAL MEETING AT 2:30 PM ON MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2026, AT THE LA CRESCENT COMMUNITY BUILDING FOR THE PUROPOSE OF CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS FOR THE POSITION OF CITY ADMINISTRATOR. A HIRING RECOMMENDATION MAY BE CONSIDERED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE INTERVIEWS OR ALTERNATIVELY, CONSIDERATION OF AN INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR MAY BE CONSIDERED.

Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Clerk, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Langen to adjourn the meeting. Upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Clerk, the following Members present voted in favor thereof, viz;

Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Chris Langen	Yes
Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and none voted against the same. The motion was declared duly carried and the meeting duly adjourned at 5:18 P.M.

APPROVAL DATE:

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator

#1.3



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator *Bill*
DATE: February 20, 2026
RE: Bills Payable

Attached for review and consideration by the City Council are the bills payable for the period ending February 20, 2026. We would suggest that the City Council approve the payment of the bills payable as presented.

Invoice Number	Description	Invoice Date	Net Invoice Amount	Amount Paid	Date Paid	Voided
ABILITY BUILDING CENTER INC						
29156	CITY HALL - SHREDDING	01/31/2026	24.98	.00		
29156	CITY HALL - CLEANING	01/31/2026	89.95	.00		
29165	FD - CLEANING STATION	01/31/2026	130.91	.00		
29165	FD - CLEANING COMM RM	01/31/2026	303.60	.00		
Total 8085:			549.44	.00		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES						
173J-Q6QV-GDJ	LIBRARY - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	02/10/2026	5.04	.00		
179F-YCN6-KMP	LIBRARY - OFFICE SUPPLIES	02/07/2026	54.71	.00		
17P9-1GH9-YYQ	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/17/2026	32.45	.00		
17QF-GL9J-HHX	FD - OFFICE SUPPLIES CREDIT	02/15/2026	139.99	.00		
17QF-GL9J-LN6	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/15/2026	12.34	.00		
1CDN-46Y9-CCD	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/02/2026	5.88	.00		
1CDN-46Y9-NY	FD - BLDG MAINT	02/02/2026	112.75	.00		
1CDN-46Y9-NY	FD - OFFICE SUPPLIES	02/02/2026	42.70	.00		
1CFN-MP6H-Y36	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/18/2026	20.14	.00		
1CFN-MP6H-Y36	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/18/2026	77.46	.00		
1D33-GYR6-1KT	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/08/2026	79.03	.00		
1DWJ-RP3D-FY	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/09/2026	18.00	.00		
1F3L-J3WW-GHJ	CITY - STORAGE CABNET FOR MAIL ROOM	02/13/2026	159.49	.00		
1FMY-QMLG-4F	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/14/2026	56.87	.00		
1GGR-DKLG-CW	GC - MOWER REPAIR	02/10/2026	46.77	.00		
1JT1-M6RT-XJC	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/08/2026	14.10	.00		
1LCG-9VGR-NH	LIBRARY - CLEANING SUPPLIES	02/13/2026	82.95	.00		
1LGT-YRCP-G6P	CITY - FILE CABNET	02/13/2026	1,895.84	.00		
1LVG-11PH-TDM	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/08/2026	16.50	.00		
1M6C-J33T-CNK	WATER DEPT - CLIPBOARDS FOR WELL HOUSES	02/04/2026	31.23	.00		
1MV6-QY9D-PQ	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/17/2026	11.23	.00		
1MV9-NCRK-F1	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/10/2026	39.53	.00		
1NP6-MVCQ-JFJ	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/04/2026	17.52	.00		
1PMJ-LVX9-F49J	LIBRARY - PROGRAM SUPPLIES	02/10/2026	50.40	.00		
1PWT-VYH6-QP	GC - OFFICE SUPPLIES	02/02/2026	165.04	.00		
1TT4-JP3K-KCJ6	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/03/2026	33.00	.00		
1VGG-C4D6-3L3	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/11/2026	14.97	.00		
1VGG-C4D6-QL	FD - VEHICLE MAINT	02/12/2026	167.26	.00		
1XYT-YCN6-YFV	CITY HALL - OFFICE SUPPLIES	02/18/2026	8.28	.00		
1XYT-YCN6-YFV	PD - OFFICE SUPPLIES	02/18/2026	19.89	.00		
1Y6R-1PFT-KMH	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/03/2026	5.92	.00		
Total 9956:			3,157.30	.00		
ANCHOR SOLAR INVESTMENTS LLC						
#76	RADIUM PLANT - SOLAR	02/01/2026	418.47	.00		
#76	MAINTENANCE BLDG - SOLAR	02/01/2026	418.47	.00		
#76	ANIMAL RESCUE - SOLAR	02/01/2026	214.58	.00		
Total 9859:			1,051.52	.00		
ARROWHEAD FORENSICS						
189671	PD - EVIDENCE ROOM SUPPLIES	02/16/2026	194.86	.00		
Total 9746:			194.86	.00		
BAN-KOE SYSTEMS GROUP						
20008858	WATER PLANT - ANNUAL FIRE ALARM MONITORING	02/01/2026	422.00	.00		

Invoice Number	Description	Invoice Date	Net Invoice Amount	Amount Paid	Date Paid	Voided
Total 102:			422.00	.00		
CARGILL, INCORPORATED						
2912041559	STREETS - SALT	02/09/2026	937.39	.00		
Total 9210:			937.39	.00		
CINTAS CORPORATION						
4255920900	CITY HALL - MATS, CLEANING RAGS & TOWELS	01/12/2026	100.36	.00		
4257435622	CITY HALL - MATS, CLEANING RAGS & TOWELS	01/26/2026	100.36	.00		
Total 9696:			200.72	.00		
CLEARWAY COMMUNITY SOLAR LLC						
12/25 STMT	110 MIDNIGHT ST - LIFT STATION	12/31/2025	9.53	.00		
12/25 STMT	200 STONEY POINT - WELL HOUSE	12/31/2025	145.51	.00		
12/25 STMT	1200 JONATHAN - PARK SHELTER	12/31/2025	7.84	.00		
12/25 STMT	722 N 2ND STREET - RADIUM PLANT	12/31/2025	364.36	.00		
12/25 STMT	219 MAIN STREET - UNIT LIGHTS	12/31/2025	14.33	.00		
12/25 STMT	219 CHESTNUT ST - BRIDGE LIGHT	12/31/2025	10.27	.00		
12/25 STMT	400 LARCH AVE - WELL 2	12/31/2025	119.04	.00		
12/25 STMT	520 S 14TH STREET - ICE ARENA	12/31/2025	469.20	.00		
12/25 STMT	193 MCINTOSH RD - BOOSTER STATION	12/31/2025	33.59	.00		
12/25 STMT	336 S 1ST STREET - COMMUNITY BLDG	12/31/2025	28.23	.00		
12/25 STMT	202 MAIN STREET - FLAG LIGHT	12/31/2025	.58	.00		
12/25 STMT	1323 SPRUCE DR - ABNET FIELDS	12/31/2025	5.76	.00		
12/25 STMT	523 S CHESTNUT - ANIMAL SHELTER	12/31/2025	7.37	.00		
12/25 STMT	608 S 7TH ST - TENNIS CT LIGHTS	12/31/2025	1.83	.00		
12/25 STMT	209 S. WALNUT ST- LAC SIGN	12/31/2025	2.58	.00		
12/25 STMT	1450 HWY 16 - LIFT STATION	12/31/2025	5.46	.00		
12/25 STMT	31 MCINTOSH RD - LIFT STATION	12/31/2025	2.07	.00		
12/25 STMT	407 ORCHARDVIEW - BOOSTER STATION	12/31/2025	55.57	.00		
12/25 STMT	321 MAIN STREET - LIBRARY	12/31/2025	29.98	.00		
12/25 STMT	608 S 7TH STREET - POOL	12/31/2025	93.78	.00		
Total 9854:			1,406.88	.00		
CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES						
828-265308-1	LOCATE WATERMAIN BREAK AT ELM & N 2ND	01/29/2026	629.40	.00		
Total 10342:			629.40	.00		
CORKY'S PIZZA & ICE CREAM						
2/19/26	FD - HOUSTON CO CHEIFS MEETING	02/19/2026	80.90	.00		
Total 241:			80.90	.00		
DEPT OF NATURAL RESOURCES						
2/3/26-2/9/26	WEEKLY RECREATIONAL VEH. REGIST.	02/09/2026	1,517.00	1,517.00	02/13/2026	
Total 318:			1,517.00	1,517.00		
EFTPS - ELECTRONIC FEDERAL TAX						
02/13/26 P/R	FED/FICA/MEDICARE	02/19/2026	19,201.29	19,201.29	02/19/2026	

Invoice Number	Description	Invoice Date	Net Invoice Amount	Amount Paid	Date Paid	Voided
Total 1127:			19,201.29	19,201.29		
EMPLIFY HEALTH						
2/26 STMT	ANNUAL DRUG/ALCOHOL MEMBER FEE	02/06/2026	120.00	.00		
Total 622:			120.00	.00		
FASTENAL COMPANY						
WILAC393311	PLOW TRUCK REPAIR	02/06/2026	763.59	.00		
Total 9667:			763.59	.00		
FIFTH AVENUE AWARDS, INC.						
50667	FD- AWARDS FOR APPRECIATION DINNER	02/12/2026	135.00	.00		
Total 562:			135.00	.00		
FIVE STAR TELECOM INC						
59638	PD - CAMERA REPAIR IN EVIDENCE ROOM	02/13/2026	154.00	.00		
Total 9587:			154.00	.00		
FORTSCH, CHRISTINA						
2/11/26 REIMB	REIMBURSE - MILEAGE NOTARY RECORDING	02/11/2026	28.28	.00		
Total 9514:			28.28	.00		
FRUIT ACRES						
02/17/26	OPTION PAYMENT	02/17/2026	1,000.00	1,000.00	02/17/2026	
Total 10340:			1,000.00	1,000.00		
GRAFIX SHOPPE						
169306	FD - GRAPHICS FOR UNIT 1840	02/11/2026	1,140.42	.00		
169307	FD - GRAPHICS FOR ENGINE 1810	02/11/2026	1,300.00	.00		
Total 9867:			2,440.42	.00		
HAWKINS INC.						
7334785	WATER PLANT - CHEMICALS	02/15/2026	50.00	.00		
Total 512:			50.00	.00		
HOKAH CO-OP OIL ASSOCIATION						
11057	GC - LP	02/12/2026	1,275.66	1,275.66	02/18/2026	
271098	GC - OIL FOR EQUIPMENT	12/31/2025	257.60	257.60	02/18/2026	
Total 715:			1,533.26	1,533.26		
INGRAM LIBRARY SERVICES LLC						
94218187	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/04/2026	18.41	.00		
94218188	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/04/2026	27.95	.00		
94290601	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/06/2026	37.55	.00		
94328537	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/09/2026	112.00	.00		
94328538	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/09/2026	25.58	.00		
94328539	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/09/2026	51.88	.00		

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94369838	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/10/2026	25.80	.00		
94405591	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	02/11/2026	25.80	.00		
Total 10337:			324.97	.00		
INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS						
IN5051562	CITY HALL - FILE CABINET	02/09/2026	1,608.08	.00		
Total 9471:			1,608.08	.00		
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL, INC						
1002222047	FD - CODE BOOKS	02/03/2026	409.50	.00		
Total 9943:			409.50	.00		
J.P. COOKE COMPANY						
917247	CITY - ADDRESS STAMP & NOTARY STAMP C. FORTSCH	02/06/2026	79.75	.00		
Total 925:			79.75	.00		
LA CRESCENT ACE HARDWARE						
1/26 STMT	CITY HALL - DOOR LATCH REPAIR	01/31/2026	6.98	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL HOUSE #3 CLEANING & PAINT SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	41.96	.00		
1/26 STMT	MAINT - SMALL TOOLS	01/31/2026	5.18	.00		
1/26 STMT	PD - SHIPPING	01/31/2026	26.53	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL HOUSE #3 CLEANING & PAINT SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	50.98	.00		
1/26 STMT	BOOSTER STATION WATER LINE LEAK REPAIR	01/31/2026	42.17	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL HOUSE #3 REMODEL SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	26.12	.00		
1/26 STMT	BATTERIES FOR LOCATOR	01/31/2026	5.99	.00		
1/26 STMT	CITY HALL - OFFICE SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	4.59	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL HOUSE #3 REMODEL SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	38.46	.00		
1/26 STMT	PAINT FOR WELL HOUSE #3	01/31/2026	49.55	.00		
1/26 STMT	WATER DEPT - SHIPPING WATER SAMPLES	01/31/2026	50.28	.00		
1/26 STMT	PLOW BOLTS	01/31/2026	11.58	.00		
1/26 STMT	PAINT FOR WELL HOUSE #3	01/31/2026	40.96	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL HOUSE #3 CLEANING & PAINT SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	11.98	.00		
1/26 STMT	GC - SHIPPING FOR 2 MOWER PUMPS FOR REPAIR	01/31/2026	206.83	.00		
1/26 STMT	MAINT - SMALL TOOLS	01/31/2026	199.00	.00		
1/26 STMT	PD - OFFICE SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	.90	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL HOUSE #3 CLEANING & PAINT SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	13.77	.00		
1/26 STMT	MAINT - SMALL TOOLS	01/31/2026	.40	.00		
1/26 STMT	MAINT - SMALL TOOLS	01/31/2026	31.98	.00		
1/26 STMT	BOOSTER STATION REPAIR	01/31/2026	16.92	.00		
1/26 STMT	MAINT - SMALL TOOLS	01/31/2026	5.98	.00		
1/26 STMT	HEATER FOR CONTROL ROOM AT LIFT STATION	01/31/2026	29.99	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL HOUSE #3 CLEANING & PAINT SUPPLIES	01/31/2026	50.98	.00		
1/26 STMT	BOOSTER STATION WATER LINE LEAK REPAIR	01/31/2026	3.72	.00		
Total 717:			973.78	.00		
LA CRESCENT ANIMAL RESCUE						
2026	PD - 60 STRAYS PER AGREEMENT	02/20/2026	7,500.00	.00		
Total 8575:			7,500.00	.00		
LA CRESCENT AREA EVENT CENTER, INC.						
1/26 LODGING T	LODGING TAX - MARKETING & PROMO AGREEMENT	02/18/2026	635.86	.00		

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Total 9810:			635.86	.00		
LA CRESCENT AUTO REPAIR, INC						
35927	PD - P21 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	02/02/2026	46.36	.00		
36130	PD - P20 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	02/02/2026	194.40	.00		
36178	PD - P19 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	02/02/2026	50.46	.00		
36296	PD - P17 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	02/02/2026	343.44	.00		
Total 8168:			634.66	.00		
LA CRESCENT CHAMBER OF COMMERC						
1/26	LODGING TAX - MARKETING & PROMO AGREEMENT	02/18/2026	635.86	.00		
Total 1142:			635.86	.00		
LA CROSSE AREA CONVENTION AND						
1/26	LODGING TAX - MARKETING & PROMO AGREEMENT	02/18/2026	1,989.10	.00		
Total 9824:			1,989.10	.00		
LA CROSSE GLASS & OVERHEAD DOOR CO.						
358378	LIBRARY- FRONT DOOR OPENER	02/16/2026	208.50	.00		
Total 2471:			208.50	.00		
LAPHAM'S CLEANING LLC						
40	CITY HALL - CLEANING	02/20/2026	1,200.00	.00		
Total 10121:			1,200.00	.00		
LEAGUE OF MINNESOTA CITIES						
445477	LMC ANNUAL SAFETY GROUP TRAINING	02/11/2026	955.50	.00		
Total 1117:			955.50	.00		
LIBRARY IDEAS LLC						
124026	LIBRARY - BOOKS	02/13/2026	145.08	.00		
Total 10004:			145.08	.00		
MENARDS-LA CROSSE						
23639	GC - CLEANING SUPPLIES	02/05/2026	9.99	.00		
23639	GC - SMALL TOOLS	02/05/2026	172.10	.00		
23785	MAINT - REPLACE SHOP LIGHT	02/09/2026	94.99	.00		
Total 1352:			277.08	.00		
MIDWEST TAPE						
508403542	LIBRARY- MOVIES GRANT FUNDED	02/05/2026	24.74	.00		
Total 9851:			24.74	.00		
MIENERGY COOPERATIVE						
1/26	STMT ELECT UTILITIES-CRESC.HGTS.& WILDWOOD SEC LIGH	01/31/2026	253.00	253.00	02/18/2026	
1/26	STMT ELECT UTILITIES-GC POP MACH.	01/31/2026	77.69	77.69	02/18/2026	
1/26	STMT ELECT UTILITIES-GC CLUBHOUSE	01/31/2026	283.64	283.64	02/18/2026	

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1/26 STMT	ELECT UTILITIES-GC IRRIGATION & PARKING LOTS LIGH	01/31/2026	187.31	187.31	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	ELECT UTILITIES - HORSETRACK MEADOWS LIFT STATI	01/31/2026	173.61	173.61	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	ELECT UTILITIES - WIESER PARK	01/31/2026	1,630.82	1,630.82	02/18/2026	
Total 2012:			2,606.07	2,606.07		
MINNESOTA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER						
2/13/26P/R00156	MN CHILD SUPPORT	02/18/2026	497.46	497.46	02/18/2026	
Total 9597:			497.46	497.46		
MINNESOTA DEPT OF REVENUE						
02/13/26 P/R	MN STATE WHT	02/19/2026	3,952.00	3,952.00	02/19/2026	
Total 227:			3,952.00	3,952.00		
MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES INC						
1/26 STMT	ANIMAL SHELTER - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	170.57	170.57	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	ICE ARENA - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	2,013.63	2,013.63	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	COMMUNITY BLDG - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	1,013.69	1,013.69	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	POOL - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	48.09	48.09	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	PUMP HOUSE - 193 MCINTOSH	01/31/2026	106.99	106.99	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	CONTROL BLDG - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	189.12	189.12	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	PUMP HOUSE - 405 ORCHARDVIEW	01/31/2026	122.04	122.04	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	ABNET RESTROOMS - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	287.50	287.50	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	MAINT BLDG - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	1,305.26	1,305.26	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	LIBRARY - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	263.13	263.13	02/18/2026	
1/26 STMT	CITY HALL - GAS UTILITIES	01/31/2026	485.40	485.40	02/18/2026	
Total 8171:			6,005.42	6,005.42		
MISSION COMMUNICATIONS, LLC						
2018347	SEWER - MANHOLE MONITORING SERVICE	02/06/2026	261.00	.00		
Total 9938:			261.00	.00		
MISSISSIPPI WELDERS SUPPLY CO						
4761965	MAINT- WELDING GAUGES	02/11/2026	195.18	.00		
Total 1322:			195.18	.00		
MORRIS ELECTRONICS INC.						
18076	PD - LODGING FOR AXON SETUP	02/02/2026	113.41	.00		
18095	CLERK - LODGING FOR LAPTOP SETUP CLERK & FINAN	02/03/2026	56.70	.00		
18095	PD - LODGING FOR LAPTOP STUP CHIEF & INVESTIGAT	02/03/2026	56.71	.00		
18220	PD - AXON & GRAYLOG PROJECT UPGRADE ALL SQUAD	02/06/2026	1,809.00	.00		
Total 10081:			2,035.82	.00		
PER MAR SECURITY SERVICES						
3784295	ARENA - ALARM SERVICE 03/01/26-02/28/27	02/08/2026	721.08	.00		
Total 1642:			721.08	.00		
POINT C						
2/13/26 K. TARR	MEDICAL REIMB P/R DEDUCTED- K. TARRENCE	02/17/2026	971.19	971.19	02/17/2026	
2/6/26 D. STAVE	MEDICAL REIMB P/R DEDUCTED-D. STAVENAU	02/09/2026	74.95	74.95	02/09/2026	

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2/6/26 K. TARRE	MEDICAL REIMB P/R DEDUCTED- K. TARRENCE	02/10/2026	203.44	203.44	02/10/2026	
2/7/26 M. ERNST	MEDICAL REIMB P/R DEDUCTED- M. ERNSTER	02/10/2026	20.00	20.00	02/10/2026	
Total 10202:			1,269.58	1,269.58		
PRECISION FLUID POWER, INC.						
109795	GC - PUMPS FOR MOWER REPAIR	02/09/2026	3,152.00	.00		
Total 10341:			3,152.00	.00		
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT						
02/13/26 P/R	RETIREMENT DEDUCTIONS/CONTRIB.-DCP	02/19/2026	272.50	272.50	02/19/2026	
02/13/26 P/R	RETIREMENT DEDUCTIONS/CONTRIB.-CORD & PF	02/19/2026	16,886.23	16,886.23	02/19/2026	
Total 1612:			17,158.73	17,158.73		
QUALITY FLOW SYSTEMS, INC						
50495	REPAIR 2 PUMPS - KISTLER & WEST BANK	02/12/2026	1,180.80	.00		
Total 9917:			1,180.80	.00		
RELIABLE PEST MANAGEMENT						
18233	CITY HALL - PEST CONTROL	01/12/2026	55.00	.00		
18234	ICE ARENA - PEST CONTROL	02/12/2026	80.00	.00		
18235	LIBRARY - PEST CONTROL	01/12/2026	45.00	.00		
18236	COMMUNITY BLDG - PEST CONTROL	01/12/2026	115.00	.00		
Total 9871:			295.00	.00		
SAFE-FAST, INC.						
INV320877	MAINT - SAFETY JACKETS	02/13/2026	102.24	.00		
Total 8644:			102.24	.00		
SIGNARAMA						
INV-7264	PD - TESLA GHOST GRAPHICS	02/12/2026	804.42	.00		
Total 9831:			804.42	.00		
SOLAR CONNECTION INC.						
9500004901	DOWN PAYMENT ON SOLAR INSTALLATION AT WIESER P	02/16/2026	8,300.00	.00		
Total 10264:			8,300.00	.00		
SOUTHEAST LIBRARIES COOP						
054062	LIBRARY- ILS PACKAGE AND PC SUPPORT	02/02/2026	821.74	.00		
054088	LIBRARY -2026 PC LEASING 6 DESKTOPS & 2 LAPTOPS	02/05/2026	4,200.00	.00		
054102	LIBRARY - 2026 PUBLIC PC MANGEMENT - ENVISIONWA	02/05/2026	370.43	.00		
Total 1962:			5,392.17	.00		
VERIZON WIRELESS						
6134645180	FD - MOBILE & DATA	01/28/2026	240.15	.00		
6134668200	B&Z - COMPUTER DATA	01/28/2026	40.04	.00		
6134668200	PD - COMPUTER DATA & PHONE SERVICE	01/28/2026	564.57	.00		
6134668200	SEWER DEPT - DATA	01/28/2026	20.02	.00		
6134668200	WATER DEPT - DATA	01/28/2026	20.02	.00		

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6134973793	SEWER DEPT - WIRELESS	01/31/2026	57.85	.00		
6134973793	WATER DEPT - WIRELESS	01/31/2026	57.85	.00		
Total 8973:			1,000.50	.00		
WATER SYSTEMS CO.						
313448	LIBRARY - WATER DELIVERY	01/29/2026	38.00	.00		
316699	LIBRARY - WATER COOLER RENTAL	01/31/2026	8.00	.00		
Total 8605:			46.00	.00		
WHKS & CO.						
56858	CRPM SITE REVIEW	01/30/2026	558.00	.00		
56858	MONTHLY STAFF MEETING	01/30/2026	372.00	.00		
56858	MILEAGE	01/30/2026	101.50	.00		
56862	2025 SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL	01/30/2026	218.48	.00		
56872	PINE CREEK FINAL DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION	01/30/2026	92.14	.00		
56879	TRAIL EX TO MILLERS CORNER FEASIBILITY	01/30/2026	1,094.30	.00		
56920	WALNUT STREET RECONSTRUCTION	01/30/2026	68,158.51	.00		
56921	MAPLE ST RECONSTRUCTION	01/30/2026	12,065.71	.00		
56922	REDWOOD ST STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENTS	01/30/2026	46,594.02	.00		
Total 8290:			129,254.66	.00		
XCEL ENERGY						
1/26 STMT	WELL #3 - 417 WALNUT PL	01/31/2026	1,615.70	.00		
1/26 STMT	CITY HALL GREEN SPACE - 322 S 1ST	01/31/2026	22.17	.00		
1/26 STMT	FLAG LIGHT - 202 MAIN	01/31/2026	8.57	.00		
1/26 STMT	CITY HALL - 315 MAIN ST	01/31/2026	531.97	.00		
1/26 STMT	NEW LACRESCENT SIGN - 209 S WALNUT	01/31/2026	15.87	.00		
1/26 STMT	STREET LIGHTS - PO BOX 142	01/31/2026	7,179.77	.00		
1/26 STMT	PARK SHELTER - 1200 JONATHAN	01/31/2026	12.83	.00		
1/26 STMT	ANIMAL SHELTER - 523 S CHESTNUT	01/31/2026	41.26	.00		
1/26 STMT	ICE ARENA - 520 S 14TH ST	01/31/2026	4,359.32	.00		
1/26 STMT	FLAG LIGHT - 226 MAIN	01/31/2026	21.31	.00		
1/26 STMT	LIBRARY - 321 MAIN ST	01/31/2026	196.14	.00		
1/26 STMT	MAINT PARKING LOT - 517 S CHESTNUT	01/31/2026	8.69	.00		
1/26 STMT	TENNIS COURT LIGHTS - 608 S 7TH	01/31/2026	7.21	.00		
1/26 STMT	LIFT STATION - 1450 HWY 16	01/31/2026	20.27	.00		
1/26 STMT	RESERVOIR - 1026 CRESCENT HILLS	01/31/2026	13.76	.00		
1/26 STMT	ABNET FIELD - 1323 SPRUCE	01/31/2026	32.66	.00		
1/26 STMT	LIFT STATION - 31 MCINTOSH RD	01/31/2026	19.07	.00		
1/26 STMT	LIFT STATION - 110 MIDNIGHT	01/31/2026	5.34	.00		
1/26 STMT	UNIT STREET LIGHTS - 33 S WALNUT	01/31/2026	74.40	.00		
1/26 STMT	RADIUM PLANT - 722 N 2ND ST	01/31/2026	2,419.89	.00		
1/26 STMT	SIGN LIGHT - 525 S CHESTNUT	01/31/2026	10.60	.00		
1/26 STMT	SHORE ACRES - GRINDER PUMPS	01/31/2026	217.61	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL #2 - 400 LARCH	01/31/2026	1,196.96	.00		
1/26 STMT	BOOSTER STATION - 193 MCINTOSH E	01/31/2026	317.02	.00		
1/26 STMT	WELL HOUSE - 200 STONEY PT RD	01/31/2026	1,894.13	.00		
Total 1410:			20,242.52	.00		
Grand Totals:			257,648.36	54,740.81		

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Jason Ludwigson, Sustainability Coordinator
DATE: February 17th, 2026
SUBJECT: Resolution – MnDNR Natural and Scenic Grant Application

Included for review is a resolution approving of the city's application for a Natural and Scenic Grant with the MnDNR. If approved the grant would help cover the costs to acquire the 40-acre bluffland parcel from Fruit Acres, Inc. The grant requires a 50% match which can come in the form of in-kind contributions, value of materials, labor and equipment usage, or donations. In order to submit the grant application, we would suggest that the City Council approve the resolution as presented.

RESOLUTION 02-26-05

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN APPLICATION TO THE MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A NATURAL AND SCENIC GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of La Crescent act as legal sponsor for the project contained in the Natural & Scenic Areas Grant application to be submitted on 31/03/2026 and that Jason Ludwigson is hereby authorized to apply to the Department of Natural Resources for funding of this project on behalf of the City of La Crescent.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the applicant maintains an adequate Conflict of Interest Policy and, throughout the term of the contract, will monitor and report any actual or potential conflicts of interest to the State, upon discovery.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of La Crescent has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and it has the financial capability to meet the match requirement and ensure adequate construction, operation, maintenance, and replacement of the proposed project for its design life.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of La Crescent has not incurred any development costs and has not entered into a written purchase agreement to acquire the property described in the Cost Breakdown section on this application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of La Crescent has or will acquire fee title or permanent easement over all the land described in the site plan included in the application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, upon approval of its application by the state, the City of La Crescent may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above-referenced project, and that the City of La Crescent certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulations as stated in the grant agreement including dedicating the park property for uses consistent with the funding grant program into perpetuity.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Kara Tarrence is hereby authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the applicant.

I CERTIFY THAT the above resolution was adopted by the City Council, of the City of La Crescent on 23/02/2026.

SIGNED:

WITNESSED:

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Title)

(Date)

(Title)

(Date)

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor, City Council Members
FROM: Larry Kirch, Community Development Director
DATE: February 12, 2026
SUBJECT: Public Hearing MnDEED Small Cities Development Program – Walnut Street Streetscaping Project

The city approved a public participation plan in 2024 and is required to conduct several public hearings during the project. The city has been awarded funds but the final contract has not been fully executed. That final step in the pre-construction phase is to complete the Environmental Assessment. That process is pending the initiation of a Phase 1 Archaeology Study for the project. Staff has been attempting to get that started with several contacts to the State Archaeologist Office and the staff at the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council. Staff has been consulting with four indigenous communities who have asked to be consulted during the project and the Phase 1 Archaeology Study.

The city must also hold a public hearing prior to executing the contract with the state and prior to executing a construction contract. A notice of public hearing has been posted and staff is requesting that the council conduct a public hearing during their regularly scheduled council meeting Monday, March 23, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. I will be attending the council meeting and hearing remotely to answer any questions.

The purpose of the public hearing is to hear any additional public comments or concerns about the Walnut Street Reconstruction and Complete Streets project. The federal funding is for the streetscaping

Thank you.

CITY OF LA CRESCENT
315 Main Street
P.O. BOX 142
La Crescent, MN 55947
P: (507) 895-2595
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Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the La Crescent City Council will meet at the La Crescent Community Building, 336 South First Street, La Crescent, Minnesota, on Monday, March 23, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. to conduct a public hearing regarding MnDEED Small Cities Development Program- Walnut Street Streetscaping project in La Crescent, Minnesota.

Any person wishing to express an opinion on the use of funds at the public hearing can be heard orally in person on March 23, 2026 or in mailing comments to the Public Works Director's office, 315 Main Street, La Crescent, Minnesota, 55947.

City of La Crescent

By: Tyler Benish, Public Works Director

#3.3



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Tyler Benish, Public Works Director *Tyler Benish*
DATE: February 19, 2026
RE: Orchard view Booster Station

The City of La Crescent has two pressure zones for the water distribution system, the water that is supplied for the high-pressure system is pumped by two booster stations. Each booster station has two pumps. One of the booster stations has a failing pump and a repaired pump that is only maintaining the level in the reservoir.

The Orchard View booster station, is in need of pump replacements, the pumps were installed in 1991 and are original. The City has received a quote from Quality Flow Systems to replace the two pumps in the booster station. The quote to supply new pumps, remove the old pumps, make piping modifications, and install the new two pumps is \$19,178.

We suggest the City Council approve the quote from Quality Flow System; there are funds in the Water department to cover the expenditure.

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TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Tyler Benish, Public Works Director

DATE: February 19, 2026

RE: Advertise for Bid- Wieser Memorial Park

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "T. Benish", is written over the "FROM" line.

The City of La Crescent has been awarded an outdoor recreation grant through the MNDNR in the amount of \$277,314 for 50% of the Wieser Memorial Park improvement project. The project will include new playground equipment, poured in place surfacing, benches, walking path, bike parking and the addition of 3 pickleball courts. A map of the project is included; all new items are in yellow.

The City Council has previously approved expenditures for the playground equipment and playground surfacing.

The second part of the project is the concrete walking path, bike parking and 3 pickleball courts. The city has put together a request for bid and specifications for the concrete work. The project is estimated to cost around \$205,000.

The city has received \$112,170.74 in donations for the project and has funds in the 2026 general fund budget to cover the expenses related to the project.

We are suggesting the City Council approve the plans and specifications and authorize advertising for bid. The bid results will be presented at a future City Council meeting. The project will start late spring and is expected to be completed mid-summer.

CITY OF LA CRESCENT

315 Main Street

P.O. BOX 142

La Crescent, MN 55947

P: (507) 895-2595

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4. Scope of Work

The scope of work includes, but is not limited to:

- Layout, staking, and traffic/pedestrian control
- Removal of existing sidewalk (if applicable)
- Excavation and subgrade preparation
- Aggregate base placement and compaction
- Forming and placement of concrete sidewalk
- Reinforcement as required
- Concrete finishing (light broom finish)
- Control and expansion joints
- Curing and protection
- Construction of ADA-compliant ramps and landings where required
- Restoration of boulevards, turf, and adjacent areas
- Site cleanup and disposal of waste

Estimated Quantities (Approximate):

Sidewalk

- Sidewalk: 1650 linear feet
- Width: 6 feet
- Thickness: 4 inches
- Subbase thickness: 4 inches of recycled concrete or class 5 aggregate
- Reinforcement: 6-gauge wire mesh

Pickleball Court

- 5,830 Square feet of concrete surface
- Thickness: 5 inches
- Subbase thickness: 24 inches of recycled concrete or class 5 aggregate
- Reinforcement: #4 rebar 18 inches on center
- Fencing:
 - 135 Linear feet of 4-foot-tall vinyl coated chain link fence
 - 94 Linear feet of 8 foot tall vinyl coated chain link fence
 - Six (6) -3 inch OD vinyl coated steel pipe end and corner posts to match existing
 - 1 5/8 inch OD vinyl coated steel pipe top and bottom rails to match existing
 - 2 1/2 inch OD vinyl coated steel pipe line post spaced no more than 10 feet to match existing
- Painting:
 - Provide and install acrylic court surfacing to match existing court layout, including lines and colored areas.

Additional concrete work

- Thickness: 4inches
 - Reinforcement: 6-guage wire mesh
 - 400 Square feet concrete pad (southwest corner of the south parking lot)
 - Four (4) 40 square foot (10'x4') bench pads along the sidewalk
 - 1,200 square feet of concrete paving at the north east corner of the proposed playground
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5. Technical Requirements

- Concrete shall be **air-entrained, minimum 4,000 PSI at 28 days**
 - Concrete and construction methods shall comply with:
 - Minnesota State Building Code
 - Applicable MnDOT specifications
 - City of La Crescent standards and details
 - All work must meet ADA requirements where applicable
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6. Minnesota Prevailing Wage Requirements

This project is subject to **Minnesota Prevailing Wage Law (Minn. Stat. §§ 177.41–177.44)**.

- Contractors and subcontractors must pay no less than the **prevailing wage rates** as established by the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) for the county where the work is performed
- Applicable wage rates are those in effect at the time of bid opening
- Certified payroll records shall be submitted as required by the City and DLI
- Contractors shall comply with all posting, reporting, and record-keeping requirements

Failure to comply may result in withholding of payment, termination of contract, or other remedies allowed by law.

7. Site Conditions and Utilities

- Bidders are responsible for examining the site and becoming familiar with existing conditions
 - Contractor shall contact **Gopher State One Call** prior to excavation
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- No additional compensation will be allowed for conditions that could reasonably have been discovered during a site visit
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8. Schedule

- **Anticipated Start Date:** April 30, 2026
 - **Substantial Completion:** 120 calendar days
 - Work hours shall comply with City ordinances
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9. Bid Submission Requirements

Each bid shall include:

1. Completed bid form with lump sum price
2. Acknowledgment of prevailing wage requirements
3. Minnesota contractor license number
4. Proof of insurance
5. List of subcontractors (if any)

Incomplete bids may be rejected.

10. Insurance and Bonding

The successful bidder shall furnish:

- General Liability Insurance: \$1,000,000 per occurrence
 - Workers' Compensation Insurance (MN compliant)
 - Payment and Performance bonds in the amount of the bid.
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11. Payment

- Payment will be made in accordance with City policy.
 - Final payment is contingent upon:
 - Acceptance of completed work
 - Submission of certified payrolls
 - Compliance with prevailing wage requirements
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12. Award of Contract

The City intends to award the contract to the **lowest responsible and responsive bidder**, as determined by the City Council.

The City reserves the right to:

- Reject any or all bids.
- Waive informalities or irregularities.
- Accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of the City.
- No bid may be withdrawn for a period of 30 days.

13. Questions

All questions regarding this RFB must be submitted in writing to:

Contact: Tyler Benish, Public Works Director

Email: TBenish@cityoflacrescent-mn.gov

Deadline for Questions: March 15, 2026

Any addenda will be issued on the City's website or bid platform.

14. Governing Law

This contract shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the **State of Minnesota**.

OFFICIAL NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
2026 Wieser Memorial Park- Outdoor Recreation Grant
Concrete Installation
La Crescent, Minnesota

The City of La Crescent, Minnesota, will receive sealed bids for concrete installation at Wieser Memorial Park, County Road 6, until 1:00 p.m., Monday, March 30, 2026, at the La Crescent City Hall, 315 Main Street, La Crescent, MN 55947, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Bidding documents and specifications are available at the office of the La Crescent Public Works Director, La Crescent City Hall, 315 Main Street, La Crescent, Minnesota.

The City of La Crescent, Minnesota, reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and to waive any irregularities and informalities in the bidding process. The City of La Crescent, Minnesota, reserves the right to award the contract in the best interest of the City.

No bid shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids without the consent of the City for a period of Thirty (30) days after the scheduled bid closing time.

By order of the City Council

Tyler Benish

Public Works Director
City of La Crescent, Minnesota

#3.5



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Tyler Benish, Public Works Director *TB*
DATE: February 19, 2026
RE: Municipal Advisor Agreement

The 2026 bond issue is a negotiated sale with Northland Securities, Inc. Minnesota Statute requires that in a negotiated sale the City retain an independent municipal advisor for the purpose of providing an opinion on the proposed pricing of the bond issue.

The City has requested quotes to provide Municipal advisor services to the City for purposes of this bond issue. The scope of services for this engagement includes a review of the interest rates, yields, and discounts proposed by Northland Securities.

The City received 2 quotes to provide this service for the proposed bond sale:

Blue Rose Capital Advisors: \$1,600

Government Capital: \$1,800

In order to proceed, we would suggest that the City Council accept the proposal submitted by Blue Rose Capital Advisors. There will be funds included in the bond issue to cover this cost.

#3.6



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Angie Boettcher, City Clerk

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angie", is written over the name "Angie Boettcher" in the "FROM:" line.

DATE: February 20, 2026

RE: Change to Agenda Request Form

The current Agenda Request form states that "individuals wishing to address the City Council at a meeting need to complete the Agenda Request Form and return to the City Administrator by 4:45 p.m. the day of the meeting." I am recommending that we change the time to 3:00 p.m. because City Hall closes at 4:00 p.m. I am also recommending that the form be made available as an online fillable format.

CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA

Agenda Request Form

DATE SUBMITTED:

SUBMITTED BY:

ISSUE:

ATTACHMENTS:

JUSTIFICATION:

ACTION REQUESTED:

REVIEWED BY: City Clerk/ Admin. City Attorney Bldg. Insp.
 Finance Director Public Works City Engineer

RECOMMENDATION:

- For an item to be placed on the agenda, all Agenda Request Forms must be submitted to the City Administrator no later than Noon on the Wednesday preceding the City Council Meeting. The City shall have the discretion to determine if the request will be heard at a City Council Meeting.
- Individuals wishing to address the City Council at a meeting need to complete the Agenda Request Form and return the form to the City Administrator **by 3:00 p.m. the day of the meeting.**

#3.7



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator *Bill*
DATE: February 20, 2026
RE: Personnel Committee Recommendation

The Personnel Committee has the following recommendation for consideration by the City Council:

1. That the City Council approve the promotion of Bennett Norris to the Assistant Training/Safety Officer position in the Fire Department. A letter from the Fire Chief regarding this recommendation is included.



To: Personnel Committee
Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
Bill Waller – City Administrator

From: Chief Josh Tarrence

Date: February 17th, 2026

RE: Assistant Training/Safety Officer recommendation

1. The recruitment process for the position of Assistant Training/Safety Officer has concluded. We had one member, Bennett Norris, submit a letter of interest for the posted position. I respectfully request the approval, of promoting Bennett Norris to the position of Assistant Training/Safety Officer. With the approval of the promotion, Bennett will serve a twelve (12) month probationary period.

Thank you for your attention and support.

Respectfully,

Josh Tarrence
Fire Chief
La Crescent Fire Department

#3.8

RESOLUTION NO. 02-26-06

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS MADE TO THE
CITY OF LA CRESCENT IN JANUARY 2026**

WHEREAS, the following donations were made to the City of La Crescent in the month of January 2026:

1. Jerry and Jan DenBoer wish to donate \$1,000.00 to the La Crescent Fire Department.
2. Mark and Vonnie Levenick wish to donate \$50.00 to the La Crescent Fire Department.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of La Crescent hereby accepts the donations as stated above.

ADOPTED this 23rd Day of February 2026.

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

#3.9



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Chris Fortsch, Administrative Assistant

Chris

DATE: February 17, 2026

RE: Gambling Permit Application

The City has received the following gambling permit application:

1. Lions Club of La Crescent – Raffle date is October 2, 2026.

The application for the raffle drawing to be held at the La Crescent Area Event Center appears to be in order. I would suggest that the City Council approve the application and authorize it be forwarded to the Minnesota Gambling Control Board.

#6.1

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
Park and Recreation Commission Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator
DATE: February 4, 2026
RE: Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2026

The La Crescent Park and Recreation Commission met at 5:30 pm, on Monday, February 2, 2026, in the Wieser Park Pavilion at Wieser Park. The following members were present: Marge Loch-Wouters, Diana Adamski, Sarah Wetterlin, Paul McLellan, and Alyssa Sebo. Commission member Patti Martell was not in attendance. Also in attendance were Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner, Chris Fortsch, Jason Ludwigson, and Bill Waller.

1. It was the consensus of the Commission to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2025 Park and Recreation Commission meeting as presented.
2. An update was provided at the meeting on the following projects/items:
 - a. Active Transportation Action Plan draft.
 - b. Sustainability and Resilience Plan and survey.
 - c. CPL Grant projects – Blufflands, Pine Creek, Stoney Point.
 - d. 2026 tree planting/arbor day, prairie plantings, and rain garden projects.
 - e. Solar at Wieser Park.
 - f. Solar at Aquatic Center.
 - g. Root River State Trail extension.
 - h. Wagon Wheel phase 4 improvement project.
 - i. Wieser Park Pavilion repairs.
 - j. Wieser Park improvement project.
 - k. Wieser Park Pavilion tables/carts.
 - l. On-line sign-up for Aquatic Center programming and reservations at park fields and shelters.
 - m. Park sign replacement project.
 - n. Ice Arena improvement project.
 - o. Overlook Plaza/Indigenous Artists improvement project.
 - p. Signage/enforcement of leash laws in City parks.
 - q. Old Hickory Park shelter upgrades.
 - r. USA Cycling Gravel National Championships.
3. Additional discussion items included new signage at Eagles Bluff Park, an update on the Winona County Overlook Park, and the possibility of developing an outdoor exercise facility in the future.
4. The Commission was informed that there is a current vacancy in the membership for the Commission, and that anyone interested should fill out and submit the application.
5. There being nothing further to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:38.

#6.2



**La Crosse County Convention & Visitors Bureau
Board Meeting
Explore La Crosse Office
123 7th Street South
Tuesday, February 17, 2026
8:00 a.m.
WiFi
GuestLax21!**

Board of Directors: Jen Burch, Chair; Pete Boese, Vice Chair; Chris Roderique, Treasurer; Ryan Johnson, Secretary; Dave Ring, Nathan Franklin, Patrick Barlow, Mike Mielke, Barb Janssen, Cherryl Jostad, Dan Wick, Kalynn Kruger, Jay Patel, Ashley Santolin, Dan Kapanke, Kapena Faitau, Brody Meier, David Pierce, Austin Wells, Stephanie Pope, Shamawyah Curtis & Shawwna Bortz

Ad Hoc: Kathleen Pielhop (DMI), Lauren Harris (La Crosse Chamber), Elizabeth Poh (La Crosse Center), Debbie Hosch (La Crescent Area Event Center), Vicki Markussen (LADCO), Michelle Hoskins (La Crescent Area Chamber & Tourism)

Executive Director: A.J. Frels

Vision Statement:

A destination that inspires exploration and elevates celebrations.

Mission Statement:

Explore La Crosse strives to create a thriving and inclusive community where tourism enriches lives and uplifts all who visit or call this region home.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. Consent Items

a. Board Minutes

January 2026

b. Financial Committee

Minutes

February 2026

Statements

January 2025

3. **Executive Director's Report** – A.J. Frels
4. **Presentation**
 - a. Erik Sjolander, Director of Convention Sales
5. **Municipality Updates**
6. **Community Partners Update**
 - a. DMI – Chad Honycutt or Kathleen Pielhop
 - b. La Crescent Chamber - Michelle Hoskins
 - c. La Crosse Chamber – Lauren Harris
 - d. LADCO – Vicki Markussen
7. **Event Center Updates**
 - a. La Crescent Area Event Center – Debbie Hosch
 - b. La Crosse Center – Elizabeth Poh
 - c. Omni Center – Dan Wick
8. **Committees**
 - a. Membership & Grants – A.J.
 - b. Conventions/Sales – Jen Burch
 - c. Marketing/Media - Jay Patel
 - d. Belonging and Mattering Committee – Jen Burch
9. **Old Business**
 - a. Placer ai
 - b. River Cam
10. **New Business**
 - a. BTB Beverages and Bites Branding Unveiling
 - b. Banners
 - c. Open Discussion

11. **Adjournment**

The Next Board Meeting is scheduled for March 24, starting at 8:00 a.m., at the LCCVB Office, 123 7th Street South, La Crosse.

Celebrating Staff Birthdays

Erik Sjolander 3/16/2026

Explore La Crosse Employment Anniversaries

Jeremiah Burish 2/11/2016 – 13 years of service

**LA CROSSE COUNTY CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU****BOARD MEETING****January 20, 2026– 8:00 a.m.****Board Members:**

Present: Jen Burch, Pete Boese, Ashley Santolin, Barb Janssen, Patrick Barlow, Brody Meier, Shawna Bortz, Kalynn Krueger, Chris Roderique, Ryan Johnson, Cheryl Jostad, Austin Wells, Elizabeth Poh, Lauren Harris, Kathleen Pielhop, David Pierce, Jay Patel, Dave Ring, Stephanie Pope, Dan Wick, Dan Kapanke, Michelle Hoskins

Excused: Pat Stephens, Debbie Hosch, Jay Odegaard, Vicki Markussen, Shamawyah Curtis, Kapena Faitau,

Absent: Mike Mielke, Nathan Franklin

Others Present: Executive Director: A.J. Frels, Director of Finance & Human Resources: Michelle Hoch

PROCEEDINGS:

J. Burch brought the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

Consent Items:

MOTION: to approve the Board minutes–November 2025, Finance December 2025 & January 2026 Minutes, Statements November & December 2025, and Community Updates. D. Pierce, D. Ring) Carried.

Community Partner and Event Center Updates:

Holmen: Three incumbent officials running for re-election, upcoming Main Street construction with a 2026 design phase, and a 2027 construction project.

La Crosse: New warming center located at the Bridges Community Church on 4th Street.

Town of Campbell: received USDA funding commitment for water system.

DMI: currently conducting membership drive. Also welcomed new Director, Chad. They have partnered with WKBT for monthly commercials featuring businesses. Farmers Market will be moving to Pearl Street for the 2026 season.

La Crescent Chamber: Will be holding their Lunch and Learn on January 20th at the Time Out Tavern, Annual Meeting and dinner is scheduled for February 21st, and they are also processing 2026 membership renewals.

La Crosse Chamber: their new CEO, Sam, who started in September 2025, Young Professionals Awards was held last Thursday with over 175 attendees, Driftless Day at the Capitol will be held on February 11th, Annual meeting will be held on March 5th.

La Crosse Center: December and January were busy with wrestling tournaments, Wisconsin County Highways Association held their first of three-year meeting at the center. Several concerts coming in March including, Josh Turner, Warren and Firehouse, Bob Dylan. They also have two interns starting today as well.

Onalaska: extremely busy season with hockey tournaments nearly every weekend, plus high school games.

Dry floor season will kick off in early March 2026. Onalaska celebrates 175th anniversary with a Celebrate Onalaska on June 27, 2026.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

-The Holiday Train brought out a great crowd for the annual stop to the La Crosse Amtrak Depot, donations collected amounted to 380# of non-perishable items, \$998.77 cash, and \$4500 from CKPC Rail. Donations were all given to the Hunger Task Force of La Crosse.

-We have locked in Mad Dog and Merrill for the BTB Beverages and Bites event.

-Erik attended the Chicago Holiday Showcase along with Elizabeth Poh from the La Crosse Center on December 3-4. They assisted in hosting a booth at the Marketplace which was attended by 878 event planners.

-We had our 2025 trolley season recap meeting with Kelly, and discussed ways to adjust the tours for next year.

- AJ, Dave Ring, and Ryan Johnson attended a Mayoral meeting with city department head to hear their thoughts on downtown parks and the unsheltered and how it affects businesses.

- Thank you to those who were able to attend the Holiday Gathering in December.
- We solidified event partnership with Explore Minnesota for local title sponsorship for Gravel Nationals valued at \$25,000. (\$19,700 monetary supports and \$5,300 in-kind promotions).
- We will have three nominations presented at WIGOT 2026. Our educational videos, our efforts to promote fishing tournaments, and Carey for the Rising Star award.
- AJ was asked to represent our area on a panel to discuss outdoor recreation at the Explore Minnesota conference on February 12th in Duluth, MN.
- Carey held her annual volunteer lunch on December 8th. They were very appreciative of the gift cards, and expressed their many thanks to the Board.
- We have taken delivery of the 2026 guides. AJ and Haleigh met with Marcy from CPC Printing on January 14th to discuss some printing quality issues throughout the guide. Marcy was in agreement that the issues were printing related.
- In working with the Wisconsin and Minnesota, we hosted a German Travel writer on January 14th. He spent January 13 in our area. He then traveled to Winona after he left our area.
- We are currently looking for a summer intern to assist with USA Cycling. The City of La Crescent has a student they are working with, and this same person may be able to stay on if they complete their internship over the summer.
- It has been decided that the USA Cycling Gravel Nationals will not be held the same weekend as Applefest in 2026. It will be held on September 12, the weekend before Applefest.
- The 2025 audit is scheduled for April 27-28.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership - Reports were distributed. Revenue for year-end 2025 was at \$109,205.25 budgeted for \$110,000

Grants- Reports were distributed. For year-end 2025, \$65,250 has been awarded in grants. Next meeting scheduled Membership & Grants is on March 19, 2026.

Convention/Sales- Per J. Burch, the next meeting will be held tomorrow, January 21st at Mt. La Crosse.

Marketing/Media-Per J. Patel, the marketing items were covered under the Executive Directors report.

Belonging and Mattering Committee- Per J. Burch, the next meeting will be held tomorrow, January 21st

OLD BUSINESS:

-Board Retreat-will be held on February 6th at the Holiday Inn Express in Onalaska, please complete the survey, if not already done so, that you should have received from Deb Archer in preparation for the retreat. Your feedback is much appreciated.

-Placer ai: this platform is currently being used by the Mississippi River Regional Planning Commission. AJ has been in contact with Jon Bingol at MRRPC, and they are open to working with Explore La Crosse in obtaining some reports pertaining to our region.

NEW BUSINESS:

- River Cam: the video footage is currently off of our website. The camera is missing during the transition of owners in the former CenturyLink building. We are working with MCS and Emplify to resolve the issue and look at a solution for a new camera. We could be looking to purchase a new camera as it has been quite some time since the previous one was purchased, and a new one would give a much sharper image for the viewers.

The Rivercam's popularity is the 5th busiest page on explorelacrosse.com

-Sales Committee: Eric Sjolander has proposed forming a sales committee comprised of 5-9 core members including event centers, hotel operators from different communities. More to come on this.

-LSE Air Service Work Group Update-Meeting agenda/notes were included in the packet from their most recent meeting held in January.

Meeting adjourned at 9:06am

Next Board Meeting: February 17 at 8:00am.

Respectfully submitted, Michelle Hoch