

CITY OF LA CRESCENT
AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING
LA CRESCENT COMMUNITY BUILDING
336 SOUTH FIRST STREET
JULY 8, 2024
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 – JUNE 24, 2024
- 1.2 BILLS PAYABLE THROUGH JULY 5, 2024

2. PUBLIC HEARING/MEETING

6:00 – CANNABIS MORATORIUM ORDINANCE

3. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

- 3.1 DONATION RESOLUTION
- 3.2 REVIEW STONEY POINT PARK HABITAT PLAN AND CONSERVATION PARTNERS LEGACY GRANT PROJECT
- 3.3 REVIEW OUTDOOR RECREATION GRANT – WIESER PARK
- 3.4 PERSONNEL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION
- 3.5 RIDGE2RIDGE CHALLENGE REQUEST
- 3.6 AUTHORIZE SALE OF USED TRANSIT BUS
- 3.7 2025 MnDOT TRANSIT APPLICATION RESOLUTION
- 3.8 REVISED APPLEFEST TORCHLIGHT PARADE REQUEST
- 3.9 ELECTION JUDGE RESOLUTION
- 3.10
- 3.11

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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5. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

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6. STAFF CORRESPONDENCE/COMMITTEE UPDATES

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7. CORRESPONDENCE

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8. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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9. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

10. ADJOURNMENT

#1.1

MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING
CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA
JUNE 24, 2024

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the second meeting of the City Council of the City of La Crescent for the month of June was called to order by Mayor Mike Poellinger at 5:00 PM in the La Crescent Community Building, La Crescent, Minnesota, on Monday, June 24, 2024.

Upon a roll call taken and tallied by the City Clerk, the following members were present: Members Ryan Hutchinson, Cheryl Jostad, Teresa O'Donnell-Ebner, Dale Williams, and Mayor Mike Poellinger. Members absent: None. Also present were, City Administrator Bill Waller, City Attorney Skip Wieser, City Engineer Tim Hruska, WHKS Project Engineer Megan Lucas, Community Development Director Larry Kirch, Sustainability Coordinator Jason Ludwigson, and City Clerk Angie Boettcher.

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 – JUNE 10, 2024
- 1.2 BILLS PAYABLE THROUGH – JUNE 21, 2024

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. It was requested that the payment to the MN Department of Transportation for \$10,788.29 be removed from the bills payable and added to a future agenda.

Member Jostad made a motion, seconded by Member Hutchinson, as follows:

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH A CHANGE TO THE BILLS PAYABLE TO REMOVE THE PAYMENT OF \$10,788.29 TO THE MN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND BE ADDED TO A FUTURE AGENDA.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cheryl Jostad	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 3.1 – SOLSMART PLATINUM DESIGNATION

Sustainability Coordinator Jason Ludwigson presented City Council with a certificate recognizing the City’s achievement in receiving the SolSmart Platinum Designation. SolSmart is a national designation program recognizing cities, counties, and regional organizations that foster the development of mature local solar markets. La Crescent is the 3rd official city in the United States to achieve this designation, and the first in Minnesota. This was informational only, no action required.

ITEM 3.2 – ENGINEERING AGREEMENT-STREET SWEEPING STUDY

Sustainability Coordinator Jason Ludwigson reviewed with City Council for approval an agreement with WHKS for professional services to complete an Enhanced Street Sweeping Study. The goal of the project is to develop an enhanced street-sweeping plan. The plan would identify street-sweeping zones and the number of sweeps per zone to maximize the cost-benefit of street-sweeping as a pollutant reduction practice. The plan will be used by City staff as the technical basis for grant funding applications to purchase a new street sweeper. The City applied for a Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) Projects and Practices grant to buy a new street sweeper in 2023 to meet its MS4 pollutant reduction goals but was instructed by BWSR staff to complete an enhanced street-sweeping plan before subsequent applications. WinLac will fund \$6,500 for the Enhanced street-sweeping study. It was recommended that City Council authorize amending the 2024 general fund budget to reflect the city contributing \$1,000 towards the engineering costs. The cost of a new street sweeper is \$282,000. The Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) Projects and Practices grant will pay 90% of the acquisition cost. Following discussion, Member O’Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Hutchinson as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH WHKS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO COMPLETE AN ENHANCED STREET-SWEEPING STUDY WITH WINLAC FUNDING \$6,500 AND AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE 2024 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY’S CONTRIBUTION OF \$1,000 TOWARDS THE ENGINEERING COST.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 3.3 – COMMUNITY RESILIENCY PLAN

City Engineer Tim Hruska and WHKS Project Engineer Megan Lucas reviewed with City Council the results of the study of the Redwood Drive Drainage area and Shore Acres Road. The study was conducted through a grant from the MPCA. The project developed a hydraulic model for the Redwood Drive Drainage area and Shore Acres Road. These models were utilized to prioritize recommended improvements and provide cost estimates. It was recommended that City Council adopt the plan with expected corrections to the elevations for Shore Acres Road. Following discussion, Member O’Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Jostad as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLAN WITH EXPECTED CORRECTIONS TO THE ELEVATIONS FOR SHORE ACRES ROAD.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 3.4 – STATE OF MN-DNR RENEWAL AGREEMENT

City Clerk Angie Boettcher reviewed with City Council an Agent Contract Renewal Agreement from the MN Department of Natural Resources with the La Crescent Motor Vehicle Department. The Minnesota DNR has approved the La Crescent Motor Vehicle Department to continue to sell licenses through July 31, 2029. It was recommended City Council approve the DNR Agent Contract to allow the La Crescent DMV to continue selling licenses. An updated agent contract agreement was included. Following discussion, Member Hutchinson made a motion, seconded by Member Williams as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINNESOTA DNR AGENT CONTRACT RENEWAL AGREEMENT FOR THE LA CRESCENT MOTOR VEHICLE DEPARTMENT TO CONTINUE SELLING LICENSES THROUGH JULY 31, 2029.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 3.5 – ROOT RIVER TRAIL EXTENSION PLAN

Community Development Director Larry Kirch reviewed with City Council the Root River State Trail “Trail Plan” prepared under the Memorandum of Agreement to Jointly Cooperate. In September of 2022, the City of La Crescent entered into a Memorandum of Agreement to Jointly cooperate with Houston County and the Cities of Hokah and Houston. A committee of eight persons was appointed with two citizens representing each of the four governmental entities signing the MOA. The Root River Trail Extension-Citizens Committee has been meeting for the past 18 months and drafted a “Trail Plan” as called for in the MOA. A copy of the Trail Plan adopted on June 12th by the committee was included. The trail plan has several next steps, one of which is the creation of a Joint Powers Agreement between the communities and the county. The trail plan will be presented to the County Board on July 9th at a work session and again on July 16th for action. The cities of Houston and Hokah have also been asked to have an item placed on their July council agendas. It was recommended that City Council approve the trail plan and authorize the City Attorney to develop a Joint Powers Agreement for the three cities and the county to consider. Following discussion, Member O’Donnell-Ebner made a motion, seconded by Member Jostad as follows:

MOTION TO ADOPT THE ROOT RIVER TRAIL EXTENSION PLAN AS PRESENTED BY THE ROOT RIVER TRAIL EXTENSION-CITIZENS COMMITTEE AND AUTHORIZE ATTORNEY WIESER TO DEVELOP A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITIES OF LA CRESCENT, HOKAH, HOUSTON, AND HOUSTON COUNTY.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 3.6 – RESOLUTION – MN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY EQUIPMENT GRANT-POLICE RADIOS

Community Development Director Larry Kirch reviewed with City Council that the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Emergency Communication Network division has announced the 2024-2026 Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) Equipment Grant. The City Police Department needs to

upgrade its mobile and base radios and will apply for a grant by the June 28th deadline. The city is required as part of the grant application to commit to a five (5) percent match as part of the application process. It was recommended that City Council adopt the Resolution. Following discussion, Member Jostad introduced the following resolution and moved its passage and adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-24-20

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COMMITMENT OF MATCHING FUNDS FOR A MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY 2024-2026 ARMER EQUIPMENT GRANT FOR THE CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MN

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Emergency Communications Network division has funding available for the 2024-2026 Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) Equipment Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Crescent has a demonstrated need to replace existing radios and radio accessories to maintain current operations as well as to procure redundant radios and radio accessories as back-up equipment to maintain reliable communications; and

WHEREAS, the City of La Crescent has limited budgetary resources and will therefore request in its application up to \$40,000 for the city’s radio needs which requires a five (5) percent city match; and

WHEREAS, the city desires to be proactive in seeking funding to properly maintain its radio communication system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of La Crescent that it hereby authorizes the submittal of an ARMER Equipment Grant application to the Minnesota Department of Public Safety and commits to funding up to \$4,550 as a required match which is five percent of the grant request.

Adopted this 24TH day of June, 2024

City of La Crescent

Mike Poellinger, Mayor

Attest: _____
Angie Boettcher, City Clerk

The foregoing motion was duly seconded by Member Hutchinson and upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Clerk, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 3.7 – REVIEW CANNABIS MORATORIUM ORDINANCE-CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING

City Attorney Skip Wieser reviewed with City Council the process to consider a moratorium ordinance regarding cannabis and recommends calling for a public hearing on July 8, 2024 to consider a moratorium ordinance. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Hutchinson as follows:

MOTION TO CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON JULY 8, 2024 AT 6:00 PM TO CONSIDER A CANNABIS MORATORIUM ORDINANCE.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 3.8 – PERSONNEL COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

City Council reviewed the following recommendations from the Personnel Committee for approval.

1. On July 1, 2024, Tyler Benish will have completed his first year as the City's Public Works Director. During the past year, Mr. Benish has excelled in the duties of the Public Works Director. Based on his performance it is recommended that effective July 1, 2024, Mr. Benish be moved from step 2 to step 3 in the Public Works Director salary schedule. Following discussion, Member Hutchinson made a motion, seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE TYLER BENISH BE MOVED FROM STEP 2 TO STEP 3 IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR SALARY SCHEDULE, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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. That the City Council approve a memorandum of agreement for funding of the post-retirement health care savings plan. A copy of the memorandum of agreement was included. This agreement covers the City's supervisory employees not represented by a bargaining unit. The proposed agreement has been expanded to include the new position of the Public Works Director and the City Clerk. The rate in the proposed agreement is set at 60%, which is consistent with the terms in the AFSCME and LELS union contracts. Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR FUNDING OF THE POST-RETIREMENT HEALTH CARE SAVINGS PLAN FOR SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES THAT ARE NOT REPRESENTED BY A BARGAINING UNIT INCLUDING THE NEW POSITION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR AND THE CITY CLERK AT A SET RATE OF SIXTY PERCENT (60%) WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH THE AFSCME AND LELS UNION CONTRACTS.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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. That the City Council increase the wage for election judges. Currently, the Head Judges are paid \$15.00 per hour and Election Judges are paid \$14.00 per hour. These hourly rates have been in place since 2011. It is proposed that beginning with the regular 2024 election cycle, the rate of pay for the Head Judges be increased to \$18.00 per hour, and that the wage for Election Judges be

increased to \$16.00 per hour. Following discussion, Member Jostad made a motion, seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE AN INCREASE IN THE WAGE FOR HEAD JUDGES FROM \$15.00 PER HOUR TO \$18.00 PER HOUR AND ELECTION JUDGES FROM \$14.00 PER HOUR TO \$16.00 PER HOUR BEGINNING WITH THE REGULAR 2024 ELECTION CYCLE.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 3.9 – RESOLUTION-COUNTING OF WRITE-IN VOTES

City Clerk Angie Boettcher reviewed with City Council a Resolution specifying terms for tallying write-ins for municipal offices. It was recommended that City Council adopt the Resolution. Following review and discussion, Member Hutchinson introduced the following Resolution and moved its passage and adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-24-21

**A RESOLUTION GOVERNING WRITE-IN VOTE COUNTING IN THE CITY OF
LA CRESCENT**

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute § 204B.09, subd. 3 authorizes a city to adopt a resolution governing the counting of write-in votes;

WHEREAS, a city that adopts a resolution must do so before the first day of filing for office;

WHEREAS, city election officials spend considerable time and resources to count and individually record write-in votes cast, many of which are frivolous; and

WHEREAS, in order to save city time and resources, it is in the best interest of the City of La Crescent, to enforce restrictions on the counting of write-in votes consistent with the provisions of Minnesota Statute § 204B.09, subd. 3.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA THAT:

Votes for write-in candidates will only be individually recorded if the total number of write-in votes for an office is equal to or greater than the fewest number of non-write-in votes for a ballot candidate for that office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 204B.09, subd. 3, this resolution shall remain in effect until a subsequent resolution on the same subject is adopted by the City of La Crescent.

Passed by the City Council of La Crescent, Minnesota this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Signed:

Mayor

ATTESTED:

City Clerk

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner and upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Clerk, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 – ADOPT SUMMARY PUBLICATION ORDINANCES & RESOLUTION

1. City Council reviewed for approval Summary of Ordinance No. 582 for publication.

**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 582
CITY OF LA CRESCENT BULK SALT STORAGE ORDINANCE**

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

The full text of Ordinance No. 582 marked "OFFICIAL COPY" is on file in the Office of the City Administrator, City Hall, La Crescent, Minnesota 55947, along with a reference draft available and open for inspection to enable a convenient means to ascertain where in the voluminous enactments and in the voluminous regulations enacted/amended hereby are found.

Passed and enacted this 10th day of June, 2024.

APPROVED:
Mikel Poellinger, Mayor

ATTEST:
Bill Waller, City Administrator

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

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 582 FOR PUBLICATION.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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. City Council reviewed for approval Summary of Ordinance No. 583 for publication.

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 583

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, AND NO. 569, NO. 571, 579

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

The full text of Ordinance No. 583 marked "OFFICIAL COPY" is on file in the Office of the City Administrator, City Hall, La Crescent, Minnesota 55947, along with a reference draft available and open for inspection to enable a convenient

means to ascertain where in the voluminous enactments and in the voluminous regulations enacted/amended hereby are found.

Passed and enacted this 10th day of June, 2024.

APPROVED:
Mikel Poellinger, Mayor

ATTEST:
Bill Waller, City Administrator

Following discussion, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Hutchinson as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 583 FOR PUBLICATION.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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. City Council reviewed for approval a Resolution accepting a gift of real property and correcting a property line discrepancy in La Crescent, Minnesota. Following review and discussion, Member Hutchinson introduced the following Resolution and moved its passage and adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-24-22

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A GIFT OF REAL PROPERTY AND CORRECT A PROPERTY LINE DISCREPANCY IN LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA

WHEREAS, Atomic Time, LLC, a Minnesota limited liability company, and the City of La Crescent desire to correct a property line discrepancy involving the real property described in Exhibit A (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, Atomic Time, LLC desires to have the City of La Crescent deed to Atomic Time, LLC the real property described on Exhibit A.

WHEREAS, City of La Crescent desires Atomic Time, LLC to deed to the City of La Crescent the real property described on Exhibit B.

WHEREAS, after review, on June 10, 2024 the La Crescent City Council approved of the contemplated transaction; and

WHEREAS, the transaction will result in a net conservation gain to the City of La Crescent; and

WHEREAS, the La Crescent City Council has determined that acquiring fee simple ownership of the property will be beneficial to the City of La Crescent and that it would be in the best interest of the City of La Crescent to accept the gift and to correct the property line discrepancy; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 462.356, Subd. 2, the La Crescent City Council determines that correcting of the property discrepancy is in the best interest of the City of La Crescent and does not require review by City of La Crescent Planning Commission and that the proposed acquisition is not related to the Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1. The La Crescent City Council approves the transaction.
2. The Mayor, City Administrator, and City Clerk are authorized to sign on behalf of the City of La Crescent.
3. The proposed property acquisition has no relationship to the Comprehensive Plan and hereby dispenses of the requirements of Minnesota Statute § 462.356, Subd. 2.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2024.

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner and upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Clerk, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 – STREET CLOSURE REQUEST

City Council reviewed a letter from Police Chief Luke Ahlschlager requesting approval for a street closure for the La Crescent Live Series. The closure request is for South 1st Street to be closed on concert nights from the empty lot next to the fire station down to the hardware store parking lot on their upcoming concert dates of June 26, 2024, July 10, 2024, July 24, 2024, and August 21, 2024. The closure of South 1st Street will have a plan to redirect vehicles and ensure minimal disruption with alternative routes being identified. Additional police presence will be allocated to ensure the safety of participants and the public. Following discussion, Member Hutchinson made a motion, seconded by Member Williams as follows:

MOTION TO APPROVE THE STREET CLOSURE OF SOUTH 1ST STREET FROM THE EMPTY LOT NEXT TO THE FIRE STATION DOWN TO THE HARDWARE STORE PARKING LOT DURING THE LA CRESCENT LIVE SERIES, JUNE 26TH, JULY 10TH, JULY 24TH, AND AUGUST 21ST, 2024.

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

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	Yes
Dale Williams	Yes
Mike Poellinger	Yes

and Member O'Donnell-Ebner abstained . The motion was declared duly carried by a 4-0 vote.

ITEM 3.12 – DONATION RESOLUTION

City Council reviewed a Resolution regarding the acceptance of donations to the City for the month of May. Following review and discussion, Member Jostad introduced the following Resolution and moved its passage and adoption:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-24-23

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS MADE TO THE
CITY OF LA CRESCENT IN MAY 2024**

WHEREAS, the following donations were made to the City of La Crescent in the month of May 2024:

1. Judy Brennan wishes to donate \$15.00 to the La Crescent Fire Department in memory of Donna Ready.
2. The Lions Club of La Crescent wishes to donate \$1955.25 for park benches in memory of Phil Dahlen.
3. The Grattan Family wishes to donate a tree to be planted in Frank J. Kistler Memorial Park in memory of John and Carol Grattan.
4. The Grattan Family wishes to donate a tree to be planted in Frank J. Kistler Memorial Park in memory of Mark Grattan.

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

ADOPTED this 24th Day of June 2024.

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member O'Donnell-Ebner and upon a roll call vote taken and tallied by the City Clerk, the following Members voted in favor thereof, viz;

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 3.13 – UPDATE ON SOLAR GARDEN SUBSCRIPTION AGREEMENT

City Attorney Wieser provided City Council with an update on the Solar Garden Subscription Agreement. This was informational only, no action required.

6. STAFF CORRESPONDENCE/COMMITTEE UPDATES

- 6.1 City Council reviewed the June 18, 2024, Explore La Crosse meeting agenda and the May 21, 2024 meeting minutes.
- 6.2

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 City Council reviewed the State Demographers 2023 population estimate.

8. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

La Crescent Chamber of Commerce Representative Tammy Stremcha was in attendance and provided an update.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Member Williams made a motion, seconded by Member Hutchinson 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;

Ryan Hutchinson	Yes
Cherryl Jostad	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 5:54 P.M.

APPROVAL DATE: _____.

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator

#1.2



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator *Bill*
DATE: July 5, 2024
RE: Bills Payable

Attached for review and consideration by the City Council are the bills payable for the period ending July 5, 2024. 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
4S PROMOTIONS, LLC						
INV-2638	POOL - SWIM TEAM RIBBONS	06/21/2024	450.00	.00		
Total 9957:			450.00	.00		
ABLE, INC.						
BLD 2023-823	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	500.00	.00		
Total 10197:			500.00	.00		
ACENTEK						
6/24 STMT	BLDG/ZNG PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	89.84	.00		
6/24 STMT	FIRE DEPT PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	470.51	.00		
6/24 STMT	LIC BUR PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	167.98	.00		
6/24 STMT	PUBLIC WORKS PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	89.84	.00		
6/24 STMT	POLICE DEPT PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	310.73	.00		
6/24 STMT	GOLF COURSE PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	438.00	.00		
6/24 STMT	WATER PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	153.21	.00		
6/24 STMT	ARENA PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	298.67	.00		
6/24 STMT	CITY HALL PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	404.37	.00		
6/24 STMT	LIBRARY PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	137.57	.00		
6/24 STMT	POOL PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	145.65	.00		
6/24 STMT	STREETS PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	43.88	.00		
6/24 STMT	PARKS PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	164.90	.00		
6/24 STMT	SEWER PHONE CHARGES	06/30/2024	124.73	.00		
Total 24:			3,039.88	.00		
AFLAC						
6/24 STMT	INSURANCE PREMIUMS	07/01/2024	42.00	.00		
Total 72:			42.00	.00		
AFSCME						
6/24 DUES	PAYROLL DEDUCTED UNION DUES	07/01/2024	722.40	.00		
Total 25:			722.40	.00		
AIRGAS USA LLC						
9151058283	FD - O2 MEDICAL SUPPLIES	06/20/2024	204.91	.00		
Total 1802:			204.91	.00		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES						
1FD9-QTF1-JLC	CITY HALL - OFFICE SUPPLIES	06/23/2024	14.29	.00		
1KG1-39JD-KG1	B&Z - SMALL TOOLS	06/26/2024	28.53	.00		
1LD4-PQTD-DF9	LIBRARY - BOOKS CREDIT	05/25/2024	11.71-	.00		
1RW3-NCTX-61	GC - HOT DOG STEAMER FOR CLUBHOUSE	06/19/2024	188.98	.00		
1V3Y-YCY9-9CC	B&Z - SMALL TOOLS	06/21/2024	30.73	.00		
1VML-G1CR-M1	B&Z - OFFICE SUPPLIES	06/27/2024	11.49	.00		
1WG4-HTXY-GD	POOL - TOILET PAPER	06/23/2024	279.93	.00		
1X3T-M4C7-94R	STREETS - CASE LOADER REPAIR	06/25/2024	42.20	.00		
1YLT-3D4R-JK1H	LIBRARY - BOOKS GRANT FUNDED	06/23/2024	145.84	.00		
Total 9956:			730.28	.00		

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AUTO VALUE LA CROSSE						
516496789	EMERGENCY SERVICE BOAT MAINT	06/24/2024	185.53	.00		
Total 2106:			185.53	.00		
BATTERIES PLUS, LLC						
P73688088	FD - BATTERY BACK UP FOR SURGE PROTECTOR	06/20/2024	88.22	.00		
Total 9428:			88.22	.00		
BAUER'S MARKET & NURSERY, INC.						
60269	PARKS- FLOWER POTS	06/24/2024	21.38	.00		
Total 133:			21.38	.00		
BLUFF COUNTRY LLC						
BLD 2023-862	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	500.00	.00		
BLD 2023-972	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	500.00	.00		
BLD 2023-973	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	500.00	.00		
BLD 2024-1000	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	500.00	.00		
Total 9777:			2,000.00	.00		
BOB'S SERVICE						
958991	CITY HALL- PD TOILET REPAIR	06/21/2024	87.70	.00		
Total 8841:			87.70	.00		
BRAD MEYER CONSTRUCTION & REMODELING LLC						
INV. 06/06/24	SCDP GRANT EXPENSE	06/06/2024	5,822.00	5,822.00	06/25/2024	
Total 9753:			5,822.00	5,822.00		
CALLAWAY GOLF COMPANY						
938067023	GC - GOLF BALLS FOR RESALE	04/13/2024	447.18	.00		
938092000	GC - GOLF BALLS FOR RESALE	04/17/2024	249.96	.00		
938095901	GC - GOLF BALLS FOR RESALE	04/18/2024	195.18	.00		
938300167	GC - GOLF BALLS FOR RESALE	05/22/2024	195.18	.00		
938342771	GC - GOLF BALLS FOR RESALE	05/29/2024	266.70	.00		
938354281	GC - GOLF BALLS FOR RESALE	05/30/2024	187.48	.00		
Total 8637:			1,541.68	.00		
CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT						
2096489	LIBRARY BOOKS	07/01/2024	445.86	.00		
Total 8179:			445.86	.00		
CITY OF LA CRESCENT						
6/24 FIRE	WATER/SEWER UTIL.-FIRE STATION & COMMUNITY BLD	06/30/2024	128.50	.00		
6/24 LIBRARY	WATER/SEWER UTIL.- LIBRARY	06/30/2024	122.97	.00		
Total 196:			251.47	.00		
CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE						
196863 - MAY	WASTEWATER TO LA CROSSE	05/31/2024	31,327.15	.00		
196970 - 2ND QT	2ND QTR CONTRACTED TRANSIT SERV 2024	06/18/2024	4,049.25	.00		

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Total 1086:			35,376.40	.00		
CIVIC SYSTEMS, LLC						
CVC25077	WATER SEMI ANNUAL SFT WR FEE	06/27/2024	2,072.33	.00		
CVC25077	CITY SEMI ANNUAL SFT WR FEE	06/27/2024	2,072.34	.00		
CVC25077	SEWER SEMI ANNUAL SFT WR FEE	06/27/2024	2,072.33	.00		
Total 295:			6,217.00	.00		
CULLIGAN WATER CONDITIONING						
285X21420405	CITY HALL - WATER COOLER RENTAL	07/01/2024	39.95	.00		
285X21420405	PD - WATER COOLER RENTAL	07/01/2024	39.99	.00		
285X21420405	MAINT - WATER COOLER RENTAL	07/01/2024	39.95	.00		
285X21443605	FD - WATER COOLER RENTAL	07/01/2024	39.95	.00		
Total 231:			159.84	.00		
CUSTOM ALARM						
581387	GC - MONTHLY ALARM MONITORING SYSTEM	07/01/2024	44.65	.00		
Total 290:			44.65	.00		
DAVY LABORATORIES						
24F0334	WATER TESTING	06/21/2024	133.00	.00		
24F0335	WATER TESTING	06/21/2024	133.00	.00		
24F0337	WATER TESTING	06/21/2024	133.00	.00		
24F0340	WATER TESTING	06/21/2024	133.00	.00		
Total 312:			532.00	.00		
DEPUTY #031 LA CRESCENT						
7/31/24 2010 MA	STREET - VEHICLE TAB RENEWAL	07/01/2024	51.25	.00		
Total 9750:			51.25	.00		
DOBECK, RHODA						
6/24 LIBRARY	LIBRARY- CLEANING	06/30/2024	183.25	.00		
Total 10098:			183.25	.00		
DRIFTLESS REGION VECTOR CONTROL LLC						
179	STORM WATER MOSQUITO MONITORING	07/01/2024	1,636.00	.00		
Total 9815:			1,636.00	.00		
E O JOHNSON CO INC - LEASE						
36863980	B&Z - COPY MACHINE MAINT	06/20/2024	114.05	.00		
36863980	FIRE DEPT - COPY MACHINE MAINT	06/20/2024	76.02	.00		
36863980	PUBLIC WORKS - COPY MACHINE MAINT	06/20/2024	114.05	.00		
36863980	WATER DEPT - COPY MACHINE MAINT	06/20/2024	76.03	.00		
36863980	CITY HALL - COPY MACHINE MAINT	06/20/2024	190.08	.00		
36863980	POLICE - COPY MACHINE MAINT	06/20/2024	114.05	.00		
36863980	SEWER DEPT - COPY MACHINE MAINT	06/20/2024	76.03	.00		
Total 9397:			760.31	.00		

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EFTPS - ELECTRONIC FEDERAL TAX						
6/23/23 P/R	FED/FICA/MEDICARE	06/28/2023	25,190.31	25,190.31	06/28/2023	
Total 1127:			25,190.31	25,190.31		
EMERGENCY AUTOMOTIVE TECH						
BA02272432H	FD - FIRE MARSHALL UPFIT - PUBLIC SAFETY AID FUND	05/14/2024	1,856.00	.00		
Total 9401:			1,856.00	.00		
FIRST SUPPLY LLC - LA CROSSE						
14186664-01	POOL - SHOWER HEADS & FAUCET SCREENS	06/10/2024	36.95	.00		
14186664-02	POOL REPAIRS	06/10/2024	110.85	.00		
14186664-03	POOL - SHOWER HEADS & FAUCET SCREENS	06/10/2024	123.81	.00		
14212456-00	PARKS - FAUCET REPAIR ABNET	06/10/2024	435.20	.00		
14214409-00	WELL #3 - WATER LINE SOLENOID REPL	06/11/2024	256.43	.00		
Total 557:			963.24	.00		
G & F DISTRIBUTING, INC.						
3000002896	GC - BEER FOR RESALE	06/24/2024	202.40	.00		
Total 8628:			202.40	.00		
HEIDEN, MATTHEW						
BLD 2023-879	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	100.00	.00		
Total 10196:			100.00	.00		
HILLTOPPER REFUSE & RCYL SRVC						
6/24 BAGS	MONTHLY REFUSE P/U	06/30/2024	2,305.20	.00		
6/24 GOLF	RECYCLING & REFUSE P/U GOLF COURSE	06/30/2024	211.81	.00		
6/24 STMT	REFUSE P/U CITY HALL	06/30/2024	67.89	.00		
6/24 STMT	REFUSE P/U FIRE DEPT	06/30/2024	26.11	.00		
6/24 STMT	REFUSE P/U PARKS	06/30/2024	405.37	.00		
6/24 STMT	REFUSE P/U ARENA	06/30/2024	159.56	.00		
6/24 STMT	CITYWIDE RECYCLING P/U	06/30/2024	7,504.38	.00		
6/24 STMT	REFUSE P/U LIBRARY	06/30/2024	10.45	.00		
6/24 STMT	RECYCLING P/U FIRE DEPT	06/30/2024	16.48	.00		
6/24 STMT	REFUSE P/U MAINT SHOP	06/30/2024	230.71	.00		
6/24 STMT	REFUSE P/U ANIMAL SHELTER	06/30/2024	76.42	.00		
Total 9233:			11,014.38	.00		
HOLLARS, BENJAMIN JACOB						
LIB WORKSHOP	LIBRARY - PROGRAM FEE	07/01/2024	100.00	.00		
Total 10193:			100.00	.00		
HOMETOWN CONSTRUCTION SERVICES LLC						
BLD 2023-815	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	500.00	.00		
BLD 2023-943	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	500.00	.00		
Total 10039:			1,000.00	.00		
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL, INC						
1001900704	B&Z - CODE BOOKS	06/14/2024	1,863.44	.00		

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1001905523	B&Z - CODE BOOK	06/25/2024	56.75	.00		
Total 9943:			1,920.19	.00		
INTERNATIONAL UNION OF						
6/24 DUES	GC - UNION DUES WITHHELD	07/01/2024	210.00	.00		
Total 8293:			210.00	.00		
JOHNSON LIVINGS LLC						
INV0259	GC - UNIFORM SHIRTS	07/02/2024	1,273.80	.00		
INV0259	GC - HATS FOR RESALE	07/02/2024	80.34	.00		
INV0259	GC - GOLF BALLS FOR RESALE	07/02/2024	229.22	.00		
INV0259	GC - BAG TAGS - GOLF TOURN AD PROMOTION	07/02/2024	214.27	.00		
INV0259	GC- SHIRTS FOR RESALE	07/02/2024	312.00	.00		
Total 10147:			2,109.63	.00		
KWIK TRIP INC						
6/24 STMT	B&Z - FUEL	06/30/2024	132.77	.00		
6/24 STMT	STREETS - FUEL	06/30/2024	722.09	.00		
6/24 STMT	WATER - FUEL	06/30/2024	105.61	.00		
6/24 STMT	POOL - SLUSHIE MIX	06/30/2024	106.49	.00		
6/24 STMT	PD- FUEL	06/30/2024	916.22	.00		
6/24 STMT	PARKS - FUEL	06/30/2024	368.57	.00		
6/24 STMT	SEWER - FUEL	06/30/2024	105.62	.00		
6/24 STMT	PD - WASHER FLUID	06/30/2024	3.68	.00		
6/24 STMT	FIRE - FUEL	06/30/2024	319.32	.00		
Total 1014:			2,780.37	.00		
LA CRESCENT ROCK PRODUCTS INC						
24-258	STREETS - ROAD ROCK	06/30/2024	693.56	.00		
Total 1121:			693.56	.00		
LAPHAM'S CLEANING LLC						
17	CITY HALL - CLEANING	06/20/2024	1,200.00	.00		
Total 10121:			1,200.00	.00		
LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERVICES						
6/24 DUES	PD - PAYROLL DEDUCTED UNION DUES	07/01/2024	458.25	.00		
Total 1134:			458.25	.00		
LEASE SERVICING CENTER, INC.						
51199	PD TESLA - LEASE PYMT PRINCIPAL	07/01/2024	869.99	869.99	07/01/2024	
51199	PD TESLA - LEASE PYMT INTEREST	07/01/2024	397.33	397.33	07/01/2024	
Total 10152:			1,267.32	1,267.32		
LUDWIGSON, JASON						
6/1/24 - 6/30/24	SUSTAINABILITY SERVICES	06/30/2024	4,484.00	.00		
6/1/24 - 6/30/24	MILEAGE	06/30/2024	35.51	.00		

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Total 9632:			4,519.51	.00		
MATHY CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC						
5200023262	STREET PATCH	06/28/2024	1,530.19	.00		
Total 1303:			1,530.19	.00		
MENARDS-LA CROSSE						
1086	GC - CLEANING SUPPLIES	06/27/2024	169.65	.00		
1086	GC - EQUIPMENT REPAIR	06/27/2024	75.60	.00		
1086	GC - BLDG MAINT	06/27/2024	120.69	.00		
1086	GC - CHEMICALS	06/27/2024	8.96	.00		
1086	GC - SAFETY	06/27/2024	14.97	.00		
Total 1352:			389.87	.00		
MIDWEST TAPE						
505647656	LIBRARY- MOVIES	06/20/2024	56.98	.00		
Total 9851:			56.98	.00		
MINNESOTA CHILD SUPPORT PAYMENT CENTER						
06/21/24PR0015	MN CHILD SUPPORT	06/24/2024	497.46	497.46	06/24/2024	
Total 9597:			497.46	497.46		
MINNESOTA DEPT OF REVENUE						
6/23/23 P/R	MN STATE WHT	06/28/2023	4,548.00	4,548.00	06/28/2023	
Total 227:			4,548.00	4,548.00		
MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES INC						
5/24 STMT	ANIMAL SHELTER - GAS UTILITIES	05/31/2024	23.05	23.05	06/25/2024	
5/24 STMT	PUMP HOUSE MCINTOSH	05/31/2024	5.98	5.98	06/25/2024	
5/24 STMT	POOL - GAS UTILITIES	05/31/2024	1,912.89	1,912.89	06/25/2024	
5/24 STMT	ICE ARENA- GAS UTILITIES	05/31/2024	83.97	83.97	06/25/2024	
5/24 STMT	PUMP HOUSE ORCHARDVIEW	05/31/2024	13.31	13.31	06/25/2024	
Total 8171:			2,039.20	2,039.20		
MINNESOTA PUMP WORKS						
INV024555	3 GRINDER PUMPS & ELECTRICAL BOXES	06/26/2024	11,344.00	.00		
Total 9637:			11,344.00	.00		
MN FIRE SERVICE CERT. BOARD						
FF1 DORSCHNE	FD - FF1 RETEST FEE J. DORSCHNER	06/11/2024	25.00	.00		
FF1 STEFFES	FD - FF1 RETEST FEE R. STEFFES	06/18/2024	25.00	.00		
Total 1270:			50.00	.00		
MTI DISTRIBUTING INC						
1435962-00	GC - MOWER REPAIR	06/25/2024	2,833.40	.00		
Total 1330:			2,833.40	.00		

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NATIONAL BUSINESS FURNITURE, LLC						
ZK242462-OTG	B&Z - OFFICE FURNITURE	06/18/2024	236.00	.00		
Total 10092:			236.00	.00		
NCPERS GROUP LIFE INSURANCE						
6/24 STMT	LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUMS	07/01/2024	160.00	.00		
Total 1619:			160.00	.00		
NORTH SHORE ANALYTICAL						
14750	WASTEWATER SAMPLE TEST	06/20/2024	135.00	.00		
Total 10200:			135.00	.00		
NORTHERN BATTERY						
14312405161130	GC - BATTERIES FOR GOLF CARS	05/16/2024	1,095.00	.00		
Total 1461:			1,095.00	.00		
NORTHERN BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTING						
1327039	GC - BEER FOR RESALE	06/27/2024	283.35	.00		
Total 2311:			283.35	.00		
PENDELTON TURF SUPPLY INC						
9209	GC - CHEMICALS FOR THE COURSE	06/19/2024	2,300.00	.00		
Total 9169:			2,300.00	.00		
PEPSI-COLA BOTTLING COMPANY						
9195353	GC - POP FOR RESALE	06/03/2024	1,126.50	.00		
9197139	GC - POP FOR RESALE	06/10/2024	395.50	.00		
9198465	GC - POP FOR RESALE	06/17/2024	821.50	.00		
9198662	POOL - CONCESSIONS	06/18/2024	1,090.50	.00		
9199892	GC - POP FOR RESALE	06/24/2024	582.00	.00		
Total 1615:			4,016.00	.00		
PERFORMANCE FOODSERVICE						
727726	POOL - CONCESSIONS	06/26/2024	2,251.05	.00		
731478	POOL - CONCESSIONS	07/03/2024	1,982.36	.00		
Total 10087:			4,233.41	.00		
PIGGYS RESTAURANT						
627	LUNCH FOR HOCHUNK DUGOUT CANOE PARTICIPANTS	06/21/2024	348.15	.00		
Total 10198:			348.15	.00		
PROLOGUE PLANNING GROUP						
6/1/24 - 6/30/24	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SERVICES	06/30/2024	4,390.89	.00		
Total 10006:			4,390.89	.00		
QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC						
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- B & Z	06/14/2024	21.00	21.00	07/01/2024	

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6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- FIRE DEPARTMENT	06/14/2024	12.00	12.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Library	06/14/2024	9.00	9.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Police	06/14/2024	21.00	21.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Public works	06/14/2024	15.00	15.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Water	06/14/2024	63.00	63.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Animal Rescue	06/14/2024	3.00	3.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Clerk	06/14/2024	45.00	45.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Golf course	06/14/2024	9.00	9.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Lic Bur	06/14/2024	30.00	30.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Pool	06/14/2024	6.00	6.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Sewer	06/14/2024	63.00	63.00	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	Postage Meter Postage- Arena	06/14/2024	3.00	3.00	07/01/2024	
Total 9799:			300.00	300.00		
REINING, MITCHELL						
2024 BOOT REI	BOOT REIMBURSEMENT	06/25/2024	100.00	.00		
Total 10201:			100.00	.00		
RIVER VALLEY MEDIA GROUP						
6/24 STMT	AD - PARK & REC DIRECTOR JOB POSTING	06/30/2024	164.95	.00		
Total 8163:			164.95	.00		
ROOT RIVER TRAIL TOWNS						
24-06-01	ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION	06/19/2024	300.00	.00		
Total 10199:			300.00	.00		
SAM'S CLUB						
6/24 STMT	GC - CHIPS, SNACKS & NUTS FOR RESALE	06/30/2024	315.21	315.21	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	CITY HALL - CLEANING SUPPLIES	06/30/2024	33.96	33.96	07/01/2024	
6/24 STMT	CITY HALL - OFFICE SUPPLIES	06/30/2024	108.93	108.93	07/01/2024	
Total 1861:			458.10	458.10		
SCHOTT DISTRIBUTING CO., INC.						
576660	GC - POP FOR RESALE	06/06/2024	120.00	.00		
576660	GC - BEER FOR RESALE	06/06/2024	520.20	.00		
578831	GC - POP FOR RESALE	06/20/2024	34.00	.00		
578831	GC - BEER FOR RESALE	06/20/2024	580.80	.00		
Total 1931:			1,255.00	.00		
SEMCAC						
11- 2024	SCDP GRANT EXPENSE	06/12/2024	958.30	958.30	06/25/2024	
LEAD-0317	SCDP GRANT EXPENSE	06/12/2024	700.00	700.00	06/25/2024	
LEAD-0516 2024	SCDP GRANT EXPENSE	06/12/2024	700.00	700.00	06/25/2024	
LEAD-0610	SCDP GRANT EXPENSE	06/12/2024	700.00	700.00	06/25/2024	
Total 9559:			3,058.30	3,058.30		
SOUTHEAST LIBRARIES COOP						
052520	LIBRARY- ILS PACKAGE AND PC SUPPORT	07/02/2024	809.32	.00		

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Total 1962:			809.32	.00		
SOUTHEAST SERVICE COOPERATIVE						
SINV000005475	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE - 2024-2025	07/01/2024	300.00	.00		
Total 8401:			300.00	.00		
STAVENAU, DOUG						
2024 REMAININ	REMAINING WORK BOOT REIMBURSEMENT	06/30/2024	19.51	.00		
Total 1875:			19.51	.00		
STREICHER'S						
I1704551	PD - UNIFORMS FOR LCPD RESERVE	06/14/2024	79.99	.00		
Total 1922:			79.99	.00		
THE LIFEGUARD STORE						
INV001428357	POOL - LIFEGUARD SWIMSUITS	06/12/2024	1,542.09	.00		
INV001428834	POOL - LIFEGUARD SWIMSUITS	06/13/2024	274.00	.00		
INV001430030	POOL - LIFEGUARD SWIMSUITS	06/17/2024	28.50	.00		
Total 9495:			1,844.59	.00		
THORSON GRAPHICS LLC						
9470	PD - NEIGHBORS NIGHT OUT EXPENSE	07/02/2024	395.05	.00		
Total 8998:			395.05	.00		
TRI-STATE BUSINESS MACHINES IN						
604088	DMV - COPY/PRINTER	06/25/2024	60.00	.00		
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6/24 STMT	AD - CANNABIS MORATORIUM	06/30/2024	8.97	.00		
6/24 STMT	HEART SAFE CARDS	06/30/2024	22.42	.00		
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6/24 STMT	POOL - INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS	06/30/2024	56.83	.00		
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WALTER, MATTHEW						
BLDG 2022-570	EROSION CONTROL DEPOSIT REFUND	07/01/2024	500.00	.00		
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WHKS & CO.						
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51376	COUNCL MEETINGS	05/31/2024	510.00	.00		
51376	STATE AID MEETINGS	05/31/2024	340.00	.00		
51376	TH 14/16/61 ASSISTANCE	05/31/2024	680.00	.00		
51376	MILEAGE	05/31/2024	291.45	.00		
51381	SOUTH 6TH STREET	05/31/2024	3,122.52	.00		
51382	FEASIBILITY STUDY OF CRESCENT HILLS SANITARY SE	05/31/2024	6,900.32	.00		
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WIESER LAW OFFICE PC						
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6/24 CITY	WATER DEPT - LEGAL FEES	06/30/2024	934.11	.00		
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Total 2361:			7,472.85	.00		
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ZENKE INC						
7332	STORM SEWER EXTENSION - DOG PARK	06/24/2024	4,780.00	.00		
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Total 2412:			19,780.00	.00		
Grand Totals:			220,268.68	54,324.47		

Dated: _____

Mayor: _____

City Council: _____

City Recorder: _____

City Treasurer: _____

Report Criteria:

Detail report.

Invoices with totals above \$0 included.

Paid and unpaid invoices included.

Invoice Number	Description	Invoice Date	Net Invoice Amount	Amount Paid	Date Paid	Voided
MN DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION						
802206	REFUND - AUDIT CY2022	06/17/2024	10,788.29	.00		
Total 1364:			10,788.29	.00		
Grand Totals:			10,788.29	.00		

Dated: _____

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6:00 Public Hearing



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator *Bill*
DATE: July 5, 2024
RE: Cannabis Moratorium Ordinance

Attached for review and consideration by the City Council is a Cannabis Moratorium Ordinance. The City Attorney will review the Ordinance with the City Council at the meeting.

INTERIM ORDINANCE NO. 584

INTERIM ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A STUDY AND IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON THE OPERATION OF CANNABIS BUSINESSES

The City Council of La Crescent, Minnesota ordains:

ARTICLE I. Authority and Legislative Findings.

A. The Minnesota Legislature enacted, and Governor signed, 2023 Minnesota Session Laws, Chapter 63 – H.F. No. 100 (“Act”), which is comprehensive legislation relating to cannabis including, but not limited to, the establishment of the Office of Cannabis Management (“OCM”), legalizing and limiting the possession and use of cannabis and certain hemp products by adults, providing for the licensing, inspection, and regulation of cannabis businesses and hemp businesses, taxing the sale of cannabis flower, cannabis products, and certain hemp products, establishing grant and loan programs, amending criminal penalties, providing for expungement of certain convictions and providing for the temporary regulation of certain edible cannabinoid products.

B. The Act provides local units of government certain authority related to cannabis businesses, including the authority to (1) require local registration of certain cannabis businesses operating retail establishments, (2) adopt reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of the operation of cannabis businesses, provided that such restrictions do not prohibit the establishment or operation of a cannabis businesses, (3) limit the number of certain cannabis businesses based on the population of the community, and (4) prohibit the operation of a cannabis business within 1,000 feet of a school, or 500 feet of a day care, residential treatment facility, or an attraction within a public park that is regularly used by minors, including a playground or athletic field.

C. The Act requires the OCM, which was established effective July 1, 2023, to work with local governments to develop model ordinances for reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of the operation of cannabis businesses. The Act also requires the OCM to establish additional rules and regulations relating to the operation of cannabis businesses. The City will benefit from reviewing and analyzing the OCM’s model ordinances, rules and regulations before making any decisions related to the regulation of cannabis businesses in the City.

D. The Act (Minnesota Statutes, section 342.13(e)) expressly allows a local unit of government that is conducting studies or has authorized a study to be conducted or has held or scheduled a hearing for the purpose of considering adoption or amendment of reasonable restrictions on the time, place and manner of the operation of cannabis businesses to adopt an interim ordinance applicable to all or part of its jurisdiction for the purpose of protecting the planning process and the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens. The interim ordinance may regulate, restrict, or prohibit the operation of cannabis businesses within the jurisdiction or a portion thereof until January 1, 2025.

E. Given the uncertainty regarding the model ordinances to be developed by the OCM and the broad scope of the changes to Minnesota law brought about by the Act, the City desires to

adopt an interim ordinance for the purpose of protecting the planning process and the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens.

F. The City desires to conduct a study for the purpose of considering the adoption or amendment of reasonable restrictions on the time, place and manner of the operation of cannabis businesses as well as the other regulations local units of government may adopt under the Act.

G. After providing at least 10 days published notice, the City Council held a public hearing on July 8, 2024 and provide an opportunity for the public to be heard regarding this matter.

ARTICLE II. Definitions. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meaning given them in this section.

1. "Act" means 2023 Minnesota Session Laws, Chapter 63 (H.F. No. 100).
2. "Cannabis Business" has the meaning given the term in Minnesota Statutes, section 342.01, subdivision 14.
3. "City" means the City of La Crescent.
4. "Edible Cannabinoid Product" has the meaning given the term in Minnesota Statutes, section 151.72, subdivision 1(f).
5. "OCM" means the Office of Cannabis Management, established as set forth in Minnesota Statutes, section 342.02, subd. 1.
6. "Ordinance" means this interim ordinance, which is adopted pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 342.13(e).

ARTICLE III. Study Authorized. The City Council hereby authorizes and directs the City Administrator, City Building, and Zoning Staff to conduct a study regarding the adoption or amendment of reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of the operation of Cannabis Businesses, as well as the other potential local regulations allowed under the Act, and report to the City Council on the potential regulation of Cannabis Businesses. The study must include a review of the model ordinances the OCM is directed to draft under Minnesota Statutes, section 342.13(d), an analysis of potential setback regulations allowed under Minnesota Statutes, section 342.13(c), and such other matters as staff may determine are relevant to the City Council's consideration of this matter. The report shall include the City staff's recommendations on whether the City Council should adopt regulations and, if so, the recommended types of regulations. If the City Council requests the Planning Commission to assist with the study, the Planning Commission shall make a recommendation to the City Council on whether the City should adopt regulations and, if so, the recommended types of regulations.

ARTICLE IV. Moratorium. A moratorium is hereby imposed on the establishment and operation of a Cannabis Business within the City. During the term of this Ordinance, no business, person, or entity may establish or operate a Cannabis Business within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City. The City shall not accept, process, or act on any application, site plan, building permit, zoning request, or other approval, including any requested confirmation, certification, approval, or other request from the OCM or other governmental entity requesting

the City to review an application or proposal for a business proposing to engage in the operation of a Cannabis Business.

ARTICLE V. Violation. During the term of the moratorium, it is a violation of this Ordinance for any business, person, or entity to establish or operate a Cannabis Business within the City.

ARTICLE VI. Exceptions. The moratorium imposed by this Ordinance does not apply to: (1) the continued operation of a business as part of the Medical Cannabis Program administered by the Minnesota Department of Health that was lawfully operating within the City prior to July 1, 2023; (2) the lawful sale of Edible Cannabinoid Products in compliance with Minnesota Statutes, section 151.72; or (3) sales of Edible Cannabinoid Products at an exclusive liquor store in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, section 340A.412, subdivision 14. The purpose of these exceptions is to not interfere with the continued operation of businesses that were lawfully established prior to the Act. These exemptions are not intended to allow a business to seek a license under the Act to operate as a Cannabis Business within the City while this moratorium is in effect. Nothing in this Article exempts a business, person, or entity that is selling Edible Cannabinoid Products from having to comply with all requirements and prohibitions of applicable laws and ordinances.

ARTICLE VII. Enforcement. Violation of this Ordinance is a misdemeanor. The City may also enforce this Ordinance by mandamus, injunction, or other appropriate civil remedy in any court of competent jurisdiction. A violation of this Ordinance may result in the City reporting the violation to the OCM if relevant to OCM licensing. The City Council hereby authorizes the City Administrator, in consultation with the City Attorney, to initiate any legal action deemed necessary to secure compliance with this Ordinance.

ARTICLE VIII. Duration. This Ordinance shall become effective on the first day of publication after adoption and shall remain in effect until January 1, 2025. This Ordinance may be repealed earlier upon the effective date of an ordinance adopting or amending reasonable restrictions on the time, place, and manner of the operation of a Cannabis Business within the City or by resolution of the City Council terminating this Ordinance prior to the expiration date.

ARTICLE IX. Severability. Every section, provision, and part of this Ordinance is declared severable from every other section, provision, and part thereof. If any section, provision, or part of this Ordinance is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not invalidate any other section, provision, or part of this Ordinance.

PASSED AND ENACTED this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator

3.1

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-24

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION MADE TO THE
CITY OF LA CRESCENT DOG PARK PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the La Crescent Eagle Scout Troop 33 received the following donation to the City of La Crescent Dog Park Project:

1. The La Crescent Lions Club wishes to donate \$1,764.24 to the Eagle Scout Dog Park Project.

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

ADOPTED this 8th Day of July 2024.

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

#3.2



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Jason Ludwigson, Sustainability Coordinator
DATE: June 27th, 2024
RE: CPL Grant Stoney Point – DNR Forester

Val Green the local forester with the MN DNR and Todd Boettcher Mn DNR Conservation Focus Area Coordinator will be in attendance at the meeting to review the Conservation Partners Legacy Grant awarded to La Crescent for forestry improvements in Stoney Point and for inter-seeding the Pine Creek prairie. Included in the packet is the forestry plan Val Green developed for the city and a map of the forestry mowing area. We have included some before and after photos of past forestry mowing projects. Included in the packet is a project summary.

We intend to present the grant agreement for the project in the amount of \$40,700 with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources at the July 22nd, 2024 City Council meeting.

LaCrescent Park (Stoney Point/ Vetsch/ Vollenwieder) Habitat Plan 12-2023; V. Green
DNR Forestry

Approximately 109 acres

The majority of the "natural" woodland would be classified as a Central Hardwoods forest type.

This type is actually hodge-podge containing most of the native hardwoods in this region. The area has seen repeated harvests and is comprised of these species (not in order of importance) including Basswood (*Tilia americana*), Sugar (hard) Maple (*Acer sacharum*), Green Ash (*Fraxinus Americana*) (dead from Emerald Ash Borer), Black Cherry (*Prunus serotina*), American elm (*Ulmus Americana*), Red Oak (*Quercus rubra*), White Oak (*Quercus alba*), Pin Oak (*Quercus palustris*), Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*), Shagbark Hickory (*Carya ovata*), Bitternut Hickory (*Carya cordiformis*), Red Elm occasionally (*Ulmus rubra*), pockets of aspen (both Quaking and Bigtooth Aspen (*Populus tremuloides* and *Populus Grandidentata*), Boxelder (*Acer negundo*), Paper Birch (*Betula papyrifera*), Ironwood (*Ostrya virginiana*), scattered Black Walnut (*Juglans nigra*) and even a few Butternut (*Juglans cinerea*). Some of the small oaks are actually quite old but stunted. Age and size are not always related.

All size classes from seedling to mature sawlog are represented. However, there is a noticeable and predictable lack of oak seedlings because they need full sunlight to survive.

The elm component of larger trees died out when Dutch Elm Disease (DED) came through many years ago. It is caused by a member of the sac fungi (*Ascomycota*) affecting only elm trees, and is spread by the elm bark beetle. Although believed to be originally native to Asia, the disease was accidentally introduced into America and Europe, where it has devastated native populations of elms that did not have resistance to the disease. We still get elm regeneration and have some elm even reach sawlog size (> 12" dbh), but when the trees get large enough and we have wetter years, the disease proliferates again. However, since dead elm is the best place to find morel and oyster mushrooms, keeping an elm component is desirable.

Some scattered Siberian Elm (*Ulmus pumila*) exists. This is a non-native and can be considered invasive. Many of the large ones are dying.

Nearly all Butternut have been decimated by Butternut Canker, another imported disease similar to DED. Butternut canker disease affects only Butternut trees and occurs when the *S. clavigignenti-juglandacearum* fungus enters the tree and causes cankers to form on the trunk, branches, or exposed roots. Canker development on the trunk usually girdles the tree, leading to canopy dieback and eventual tree mortality. There are some Butternut trees in the park that seem to be overcoming the disease. It is likely they are hybrids; confirmation of that is difficult. Hybrid crossing is usually with Japanese Walnut; the resulting tree called "buarts" or buart-nut (*Juglans. ×bixbyi*). The mast value of the nuts is present whether they are hybrids or not. The wood is very similar too.

The ash component has died from Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) so ash will not be a viable component in the foreseeable future.

This woods contains an unusual amount of Black Cherry. While Black Cherry is a beautiful wood, SE MN is north of its natural range for best form/growth, but some of these are surprisingly large and straight. Cherry commonly has growths called burls caused by a fungus called black knot of cherry.

Main shrub species include Red Osier Dogwood (*Cornus sericea*), Flowering Dogwood (*Cornus florida*), Poison Ivy (*Toxicodendron radicans*), several species of Viburnums (*Viburnum spp*), Nannyberry (*Viburnum lentago*), Highbush Cranberry (*Viburnum trilobum*) Prickly-ash (*Zanthoxylum americanum*) and Ninebark (*Physocarpus opulifolius*) (especially on the ridge). There are others too; identification in the dormant season can be hard.

The understory contains an unusually large amount of Highbush Cranberry which is great because not only does it have flowers for pollinators but berries for birds and small mammals as well. However most, if not all, is actually a non-native cranberry (*Viburnum opulus var. opulus*) as confirmed by TJ Boettcher).

Sugar Maple and Basswood, are the most shade-tolerant tree species meaning they can regenerate and grow in shaded conditions. A central hardwood forest is fully on its way to the climax type (i.e. shade tolerant and self-perpetuating) in the process of natural succession.

There is some evidence of past harvesting (that is true everywhere around the area) approximately 35-40 years ago judging from the stumps' condition. Most often harvesting was take-the-best-leave-the-rest (aka high-grading) so the remaining forest becomes dominated by poorer individuals and less desirable species such as elm and Boxelder.

Invasive exotics include Buckthorn (*Rhamnus cathartica*), Honeysuckle (*Lonicera tatarica*, *L. morrowii*, *L. x bella*, *L. maackii*), Japanese Barberry (*Berberis thunbergii*), Multiflora Rose (*Rosa multiflora*) and Oriental Bittersweet (*Celastrus orbiculatus*) and Siberian Elm (*Ulmus pumila*). Buckthorn and Honeysuckle are the most numerous. The bittersweet is concerning because it is actually pulling down trees on the south end of the park.

[See attachments on each species.](#)

Garlic Mustard (*Alliaria petiolata*) is not woody so requires a different and multi-pronged approach. However, it may NOT be worth the battle at this point.

Actions:

Chemicals are one tool in the tool kit of vegetation management. There are mechanical methods (ex. Hand cutting or pulling, brush mowing on less steep sites), prescribed fire, and prescribed

grazing that can be used as well in conjunction with some other method. There is no silver bullet, and treatments are not one-time events.

One point to remember with exotics is to treat your higher quality sites with the least problems first (*protect what you have*). **REDUCTION** is the key because total eradication will not ever be possible. The goal is to keep the number low enough to minimize the impact on native plants.

Cutting any vine off (ex. Grape) of desirable trees is a good idea. Chemical treatment is only suggested on the bittersweet. Be cautious of poison ivy vines because the oil is active all year long so susceptible people can get the rash even in winter. Cut vines several feet above ground so you can see at a distance that particular one has already been cut.

See attachment DOW individual plant treatment.

Plantings

Several nice tree plantations were created around 25 (?) years ago. In the hardwood ones, a little release of a few individual oak stems will help favor the oak component. The conifers are a nice addition for diversity. The White Pine (*Pinus strobus*) and Northern White Cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), aka Arborvitae, would be difficult to successfully plant now. High deer predation would be a big issue.

"Scrub"

This old orchard area was just allowed to grow in naturally; woody invasive exotics are very heavy!

A decision should be made about the desired future condition in this area. Much of it is flat enough for something like a Fecon mower or a heavy-duty brush mower. Using a tool like that will allow for access to use herbicides. Grazing with goats **MIGHT** be possible using trails for some fence lines and hand-cutting in other fence lines. Grazing is a tool in the tool box in appropriate settings. Undoubtedly there is a **LARGE** amount of seed in the ground so treatment will be for multiple years and probably using several methods.

Before planting in this area, the invasives really need to be under **good** control. Adding desirable plants too early makes continued treatment of the invasives more difficult. Some natural regeneration of desirable plants will occur.

Final thoughts

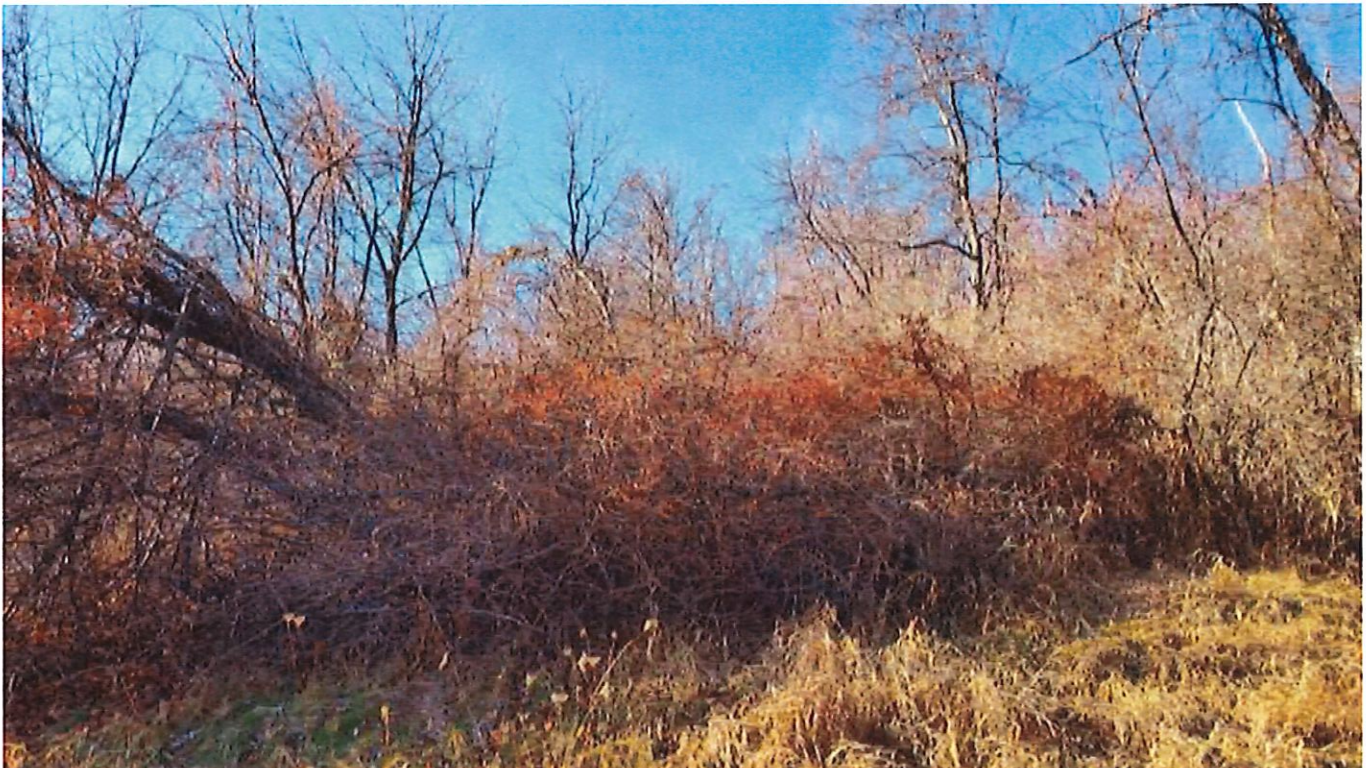
Aspect plays a large role in plant communities. North-facing slopes are shadier and more mesic than south-facing slopes. It is easier to manage for oak on the sunnier slopes.

Doing nothing really IS doing something. Ecosystems are dynamic and will change with or without human activity. With activity we can guide some of the change.

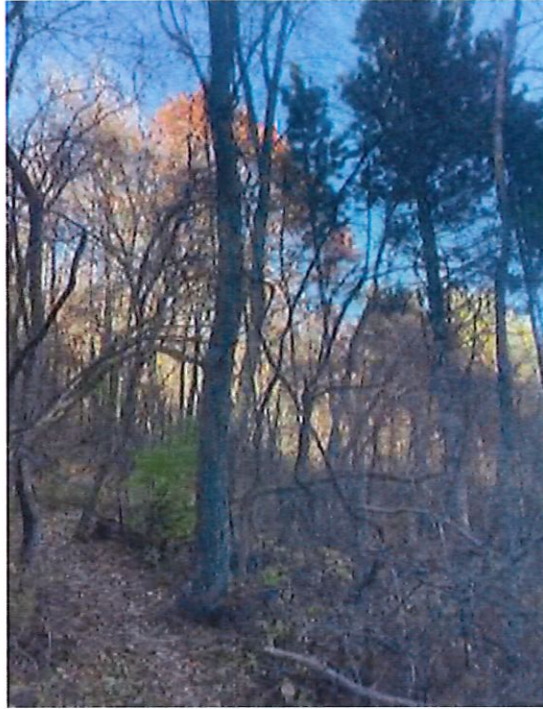
First decide **WHAT** you hope to accomplish and potential major road blocks (ex. citizens against cutting or treating any vegetation). There are grants from time to time that may assist your efforts once you have decided on a plan or area for action.

Scheduled walk-throughs with citizens may increase the "buy-in" on your decisions or even just increase awareness and use of the park.

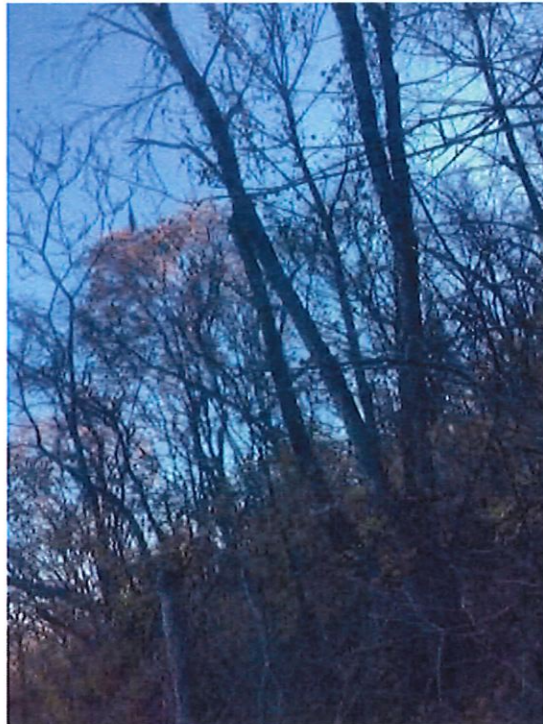
Very heavy Oriental Bittersweet on the south end; it is pulling down trees



A relatively healthy Butternut, mid slope
with heavily-cankered ones nearby



Dead/dying ash trees-use caution; these
trees are especially brittle



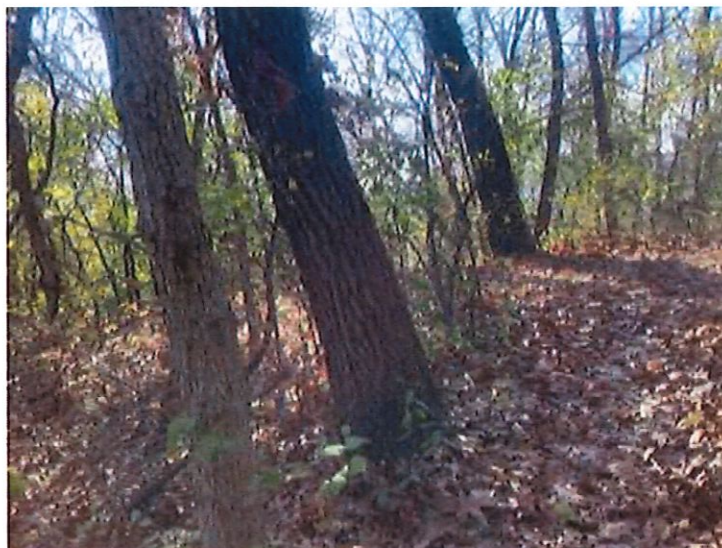
Numerous cranberry seedlings



Black Cherry with a burl



White Oak (left) & Red Oak (right); it is very likely these are the same age



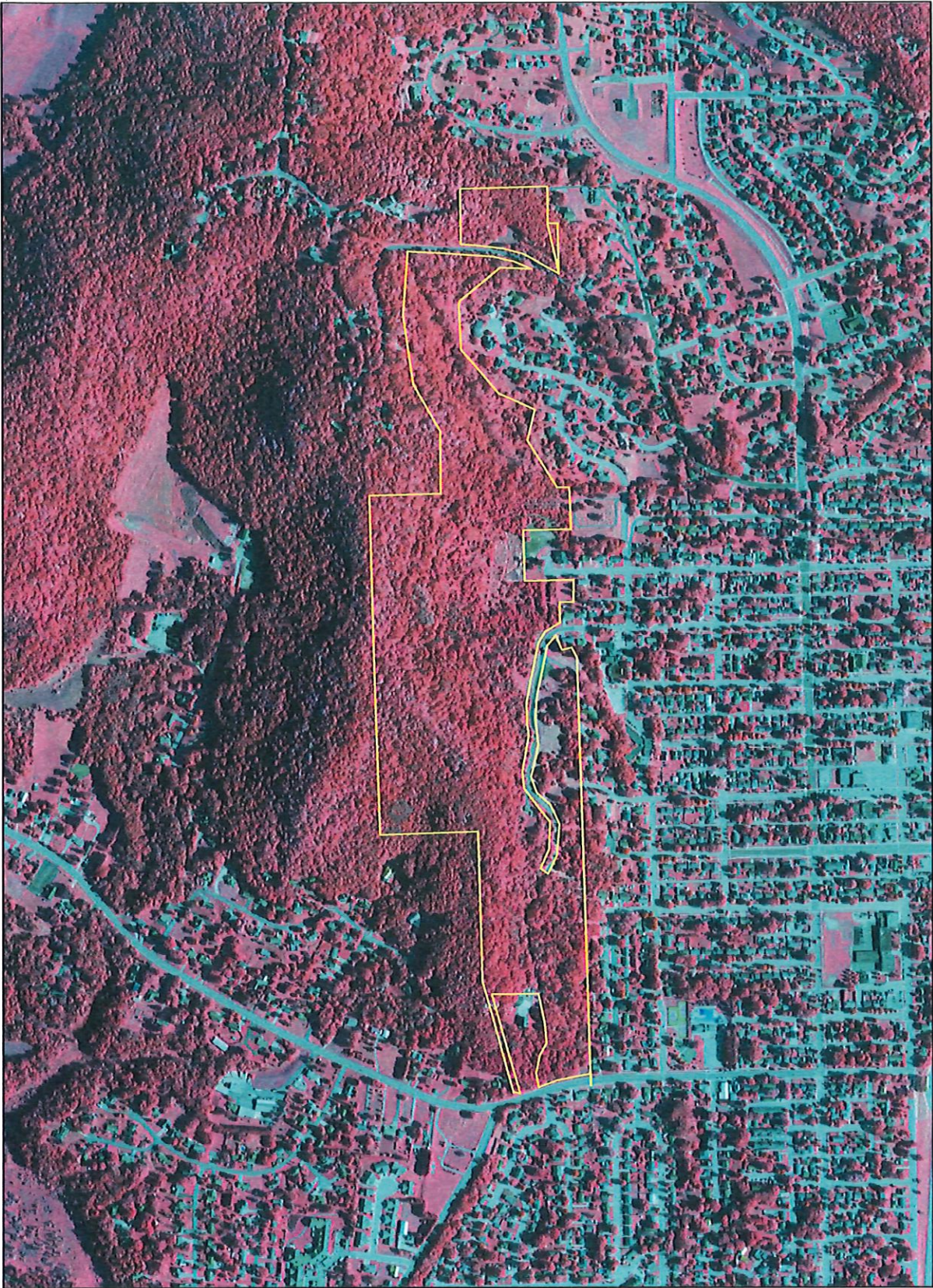
Stand on north end dominated by nice Red Oak with a relatively small number of invasives; start work in areas like this first rather than in the most heavily-infested areas



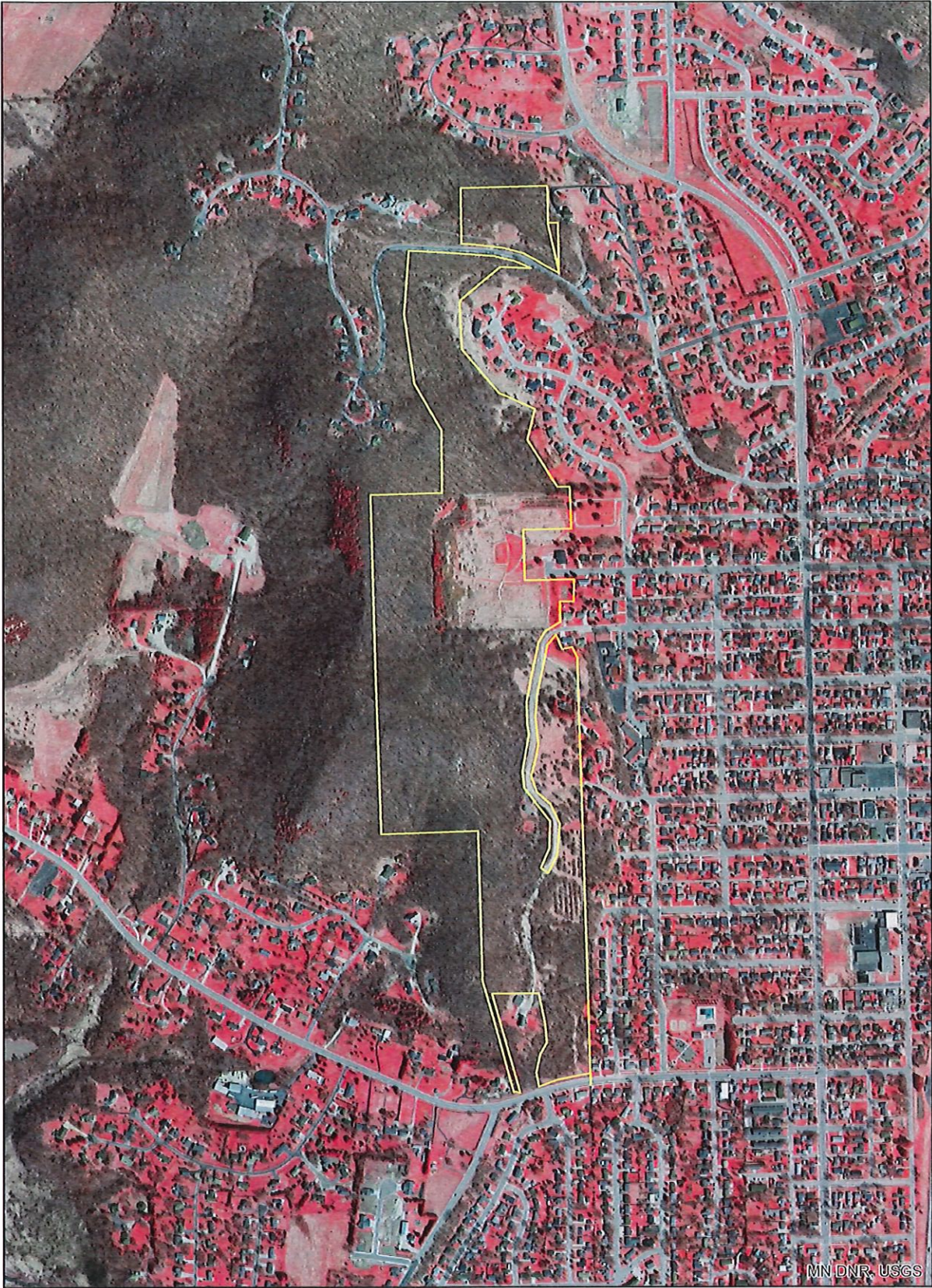
Rock outcrop towards south end



The following maps show the area with different background photos. The first is recent color infrared (CIR), next is 2011 CIR, next is Lidar to show terrain, then 1991 B&W, last is a non-referenced 1952 photo.



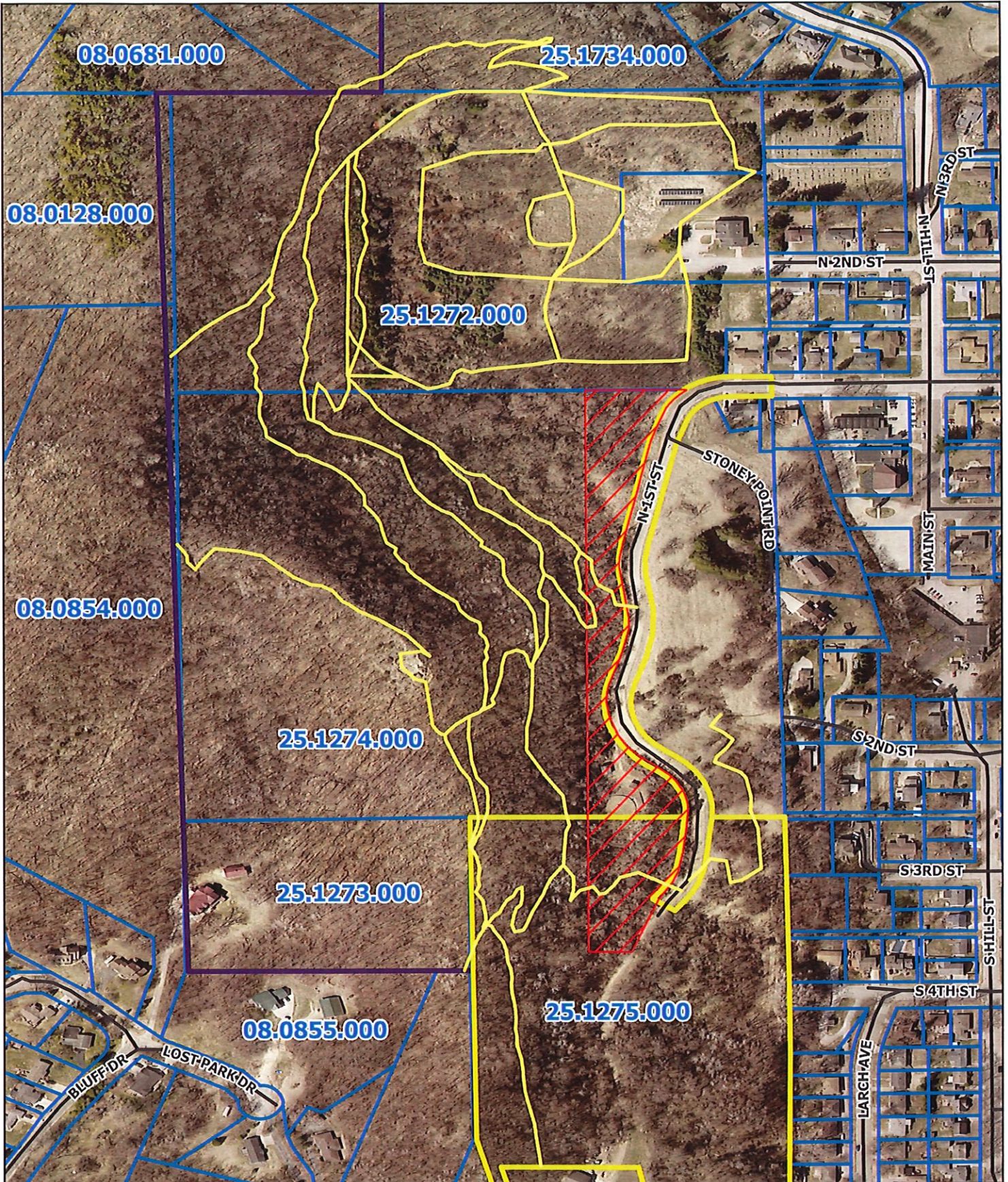
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Legend

- Road
- Trail
- Area Outline
- ▨ Mowing Area
- ▭ Corporate Limit
- ▭ Parcel

Job No. 07319.24

LA CRESCENT, MN
FORESTRY MOWING PATH







Conservation Partners Legacy Grant – Forestry Mowing and Restoration Stoney Point

PROJECT SUMMARY- The Stoney Point property was acquired by the City of La Crescent in 2014. The city has developed the Stoney Point property to include an extensive network of public hiking trails. Since taking ownership of the property the city has been working on efforts to tackle small patches of invasive species in the park. These have included round leaf bittersweet and buckthorn. Workdays have included efforts by volunteer crews and city staff. Unfortunately, the lower sections of the bluff have more extensive woody invasive species. Historical imagery from the 1950's shows that the lower sections of the Stoney Point property were an apple orchard. At some point the orchard was removed from its existing area in Stoney Point. Once the orchard was removed the site exploded with invasive woody plants such as common buckthorn (*rhamnus cathartica* L.) glossy buckthorn (*frangula alnus* Mill.) and amur honeysuckle (*lonicera maackii* (Rapr.) Herder). The project site has large swaths of honeysuckle and round leaf bittersweet. The city consulted with the local DNR forester Val Green for best practices to remove this invasive woody vegetation. Forestry mowing was suggested as the most cost-effective method to remove the woody vegetation. The forestry mowing would be accompanied by a two-to-three-year effort to use systemic herbicides targeted to the woody invasive plants using foliage sprays. Once woody invasive areas are eradicated the city would plant a diverse selection of native hardwood species on this site to reestablish the forest. Those native hardwood species include hackberry, hickory, red oak, sugar maple, and white oak. Each of the trees planted would be covered by rigid tree protector tubes. The tree plantings would be done by volunteers and the city Sustainability Coordinator.

ACTIVITIES

1. Forestry Mowing - mow and mulch invasive brush, invasive vines, and woody debris.
2. Hand-cutting - areas too steep to mow and mulch hand-cutting and spraying of stumps with appropriate herbicide at the time of cutting. Move debris from hand cut areas so it can be mulched.
3. Mulching - use of forestry mower to mulch remaining brush, branches from hand-cutting.
4. Follow-Up Work- Follow up #1 (year #2) monitor site to determine best time for follow up backpack foliar herbicide application on resprouting woody invasives. Perform applications as needed to obtain full coverage of the site.
5. Follow up #2 (year #3) monitor site to determine best time for follow up backpack foliar herbicide application on resprouting woody invasives. Perform applications as needed to obtain full coverage of the site.
6. Tree Planting - The tree plantings would be done by volunteers and the city Sustainability Coordinator. Each of the trees planted would be covered by rigid tree protector tubes. the species planted would be hackberry, hickory, red oak, sugar maple, and white oak.

PROJECT TIMELINE

- Fall 2024 Forest Mowing Stoney Point
- Fall 2025 and 2026 Follow up hand-cutting and herbicide treatment
- Spring 2026 and 2027 Planting Forest seedlings

ATTACHMENTS

- Site Map
- Forestry mowing before and after photos

#3.3



TO: City Council

FROM: Jason Ludwigson, Sustainability Coordinator

DATE: June 27th, 2024

RE: Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Outdoor Recreation Grant

Included is a letter from the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources anticipating the award of \$166,116 to the City of La Crescent. The grant would help fund the construction of a new ADA compliant playground at Wieser Park, three additional pickleball courts at Wieser Park, and bike parking. This grant requires a one-to-one match. The match can consist of cash, the value of materials, labor and equipment usage by the local sponsor, donations or any combination thereof.

As part of the application process, the City Council approved a resolution in March of 2024 agreeing to act as the legal sponsor for the project.

Also included are conceptual plans for the improvements at the park. The project is planned for 2025. The information included in the packet is informational and a grant agreement will be presented at a later date.



June 24, 2024

Jason Ludwigson, Sustainability Coordinator
City of La Crescent
315 Main St
La Crescent, MN 55947-1362

RE: City of La Crescent, Wieser Park

Dear Mr. Ludwigson:

I am pleased to inform you that your application for the FY25 Outdoor Recreation Grant Program has been selected for funding. We anticipate being able to offer you a grant in the amount of \$166,116, contingent upon the final processing of your application. Our program staff will contact you soon with more information on how to proceed with your project.

We are looking forward to working with you on this project. If you have any questions, contact Sarah Wennerberg at 651-259-5579, sarah.wennerberg@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ann Pierce', written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

Ann Pierce, Director
Division of Parks and Trails



Wieser Memorial Park

LaCrescent 031524 • 3.15.2024



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FLAGSHIP RECREATION
1123 UPPER 33RD ST N
LAKE ELMO, MN 55082
763-550-7860
FLAGSHIPPLAY.COM
@FLAGSHIPPLAY



THIS PLAY AREA & PLAY EQUIPMENT IS
DESIGNED FOR AGE RANGES AS NOTED
ON PLAN.

WIESER MEMORIAL
PARK PLAYGROUND
031524
1817 County Rd 6,
La Crescent, MN

SALES
REPRESENTATIVE:
TIM TRUDELSON

DESIGNED BY:
AO
3/15/24

1/4" = 1'-0"

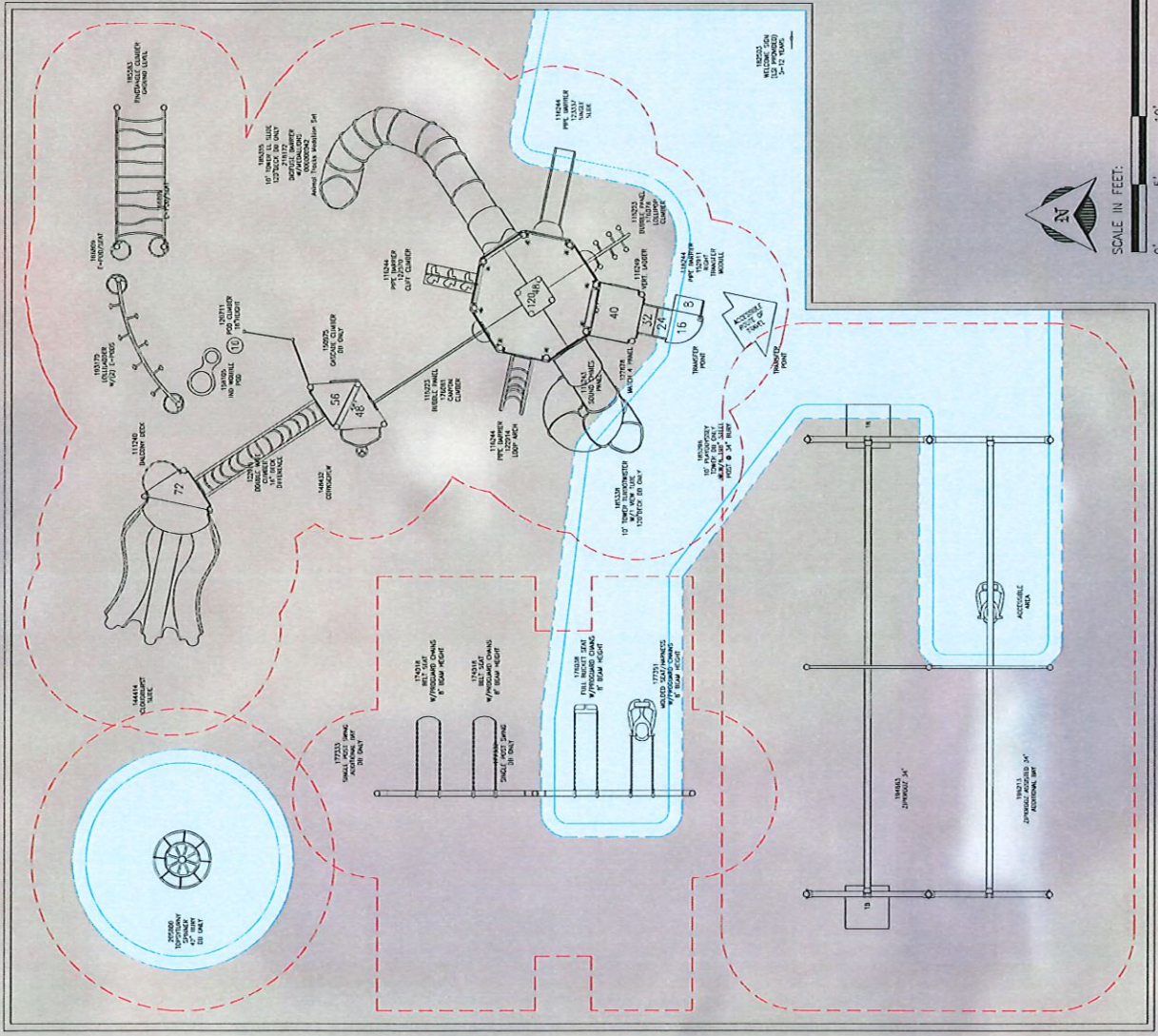
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LS101

CONTAINER DETAILS

TOTAL CONTAINER AREA	5711 SF
ASTM SAFETY SURFACING TYPE	ENGINEERED WOOD FIBER AND POURED IN PLACE
TOTAL PIP AREA	1350 SF
TOTAL EWF AREA	4361 SF
TOTAL PERIMETER	321 LF
EDGING TYPE	6"X12" CONCRETE CURB
FINISH GRADE	TOP OF CURB

SITE PREPARATION REQUIREMENTS:

- MAXIMUM OF 1% GRADE CHANGE ACROSS CONTAINER PERIMETER
- NO PRE-INSTALLED DRAIN TILE OUTSIDE OF 4 FEET OF PERIMETER
- DRAIN TILE STUB TO BE PROVIDED IF DRAIN TILE IS REQUIRED
- NO DRAINAGE AGGREGATE PRE-INSTALLED
- NO FABRIC PRE-INSTALLED
- MINIMUM CONTAINER SIZE NEEDED DENOTES THE INSIDE OF CURB DIMENSION



5-12 AREA

TOTAL ELEVATED PLAY COMPONENTS	16	REQUIRED 0
TOTAL ELEVATED COMPONENTS ACCESSIBLE BY RAMP	0	REQUIRED 0
TOTAL ELEVATED COMPONENTS ACCESSIBLE BY TRANSFER	8	REQUIRED 8
TOTAL ACCESSIBLE GROUND LEVEL COMPONENTS SHOWN	10	REQUIRED 8
TOTAL DIFFERENT TYPES OF GROUND LEVEL COMPONENTS	7	REQUIRED 7

RECREATION SITE PLAN

WIESER PARK PLAYGROUND AND PICKLEBALL COURTS
LA CRESCENT, MN
2024

DATE: _____
DESCRIPTION: _____
NAME: _____
LICENSE NO.: _____

PRELIMINARY ONLY - NOT FOR CONSTRUCTION

I hereby certify that this plan, specification or report was prepared by me or under my direct personal supervision and that I am a duly Licensed Professional Engineer under the laws of the State of Minnesota.

DATE: _____
DESCRIPTION: _____
NAME: _____
LICENSE NO.: _____

SCALE: AS SHOWN
WHICH PROJECT NO. THIS PROJECT IS
DRAWN BY: AS
CHECKED BY: AS
SHEET NO. 3 OF 3

LEGEND

NOTES:

- ① BIKE PARKING (207X207)
- ② NATIVE PLANTING

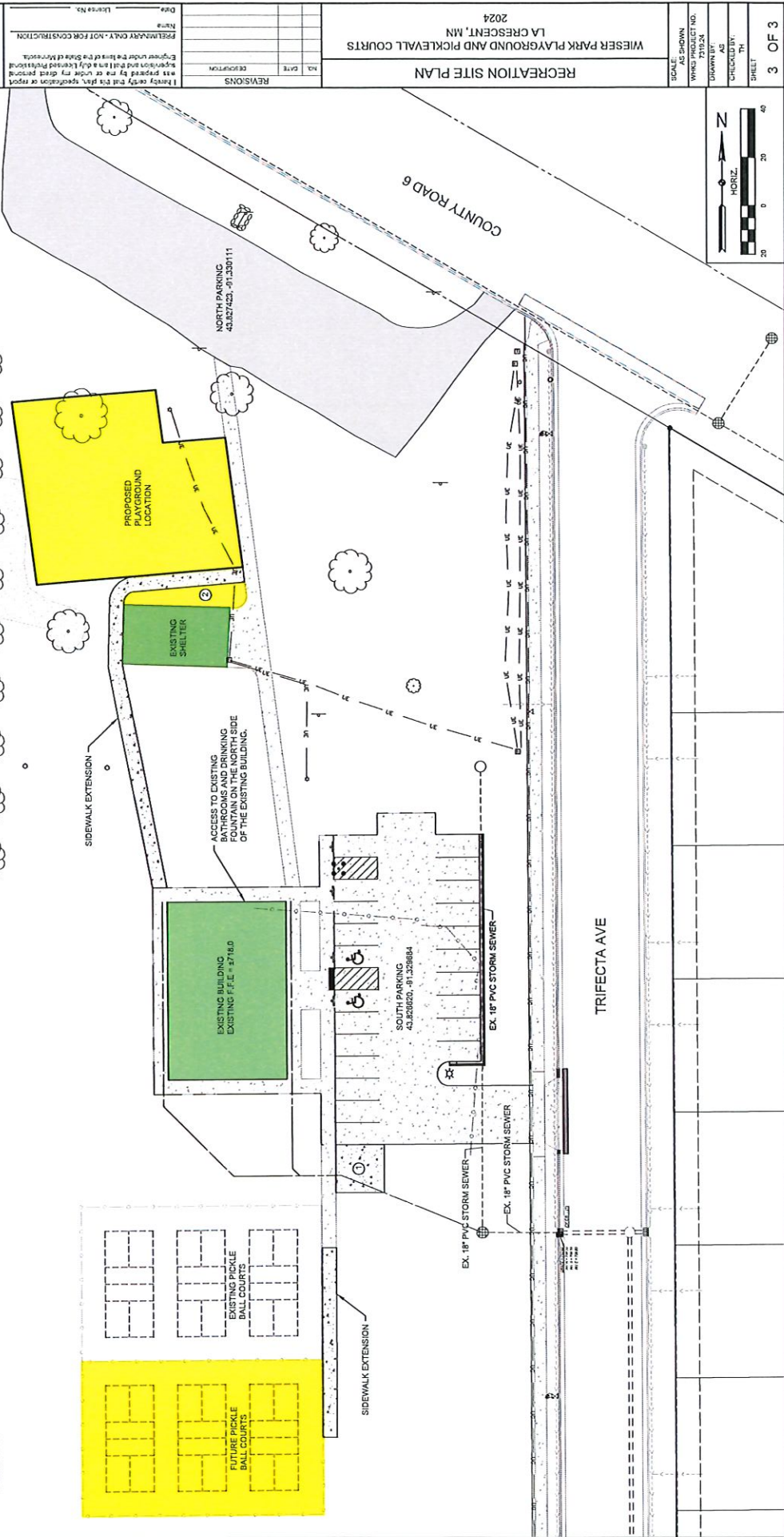
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- EXISTING BITUMINOUS
- EXISTING CONCRETE
- PROPOSED CONCRETE
- EXISTING FACILITIES THAT WILL REMAIN
- ACQUISITION AND/OR DEVELOPMENT OF FACILITIES TO BE COMPLETED WITH THIS GRANT

TYPICAL CONCRETE SIDEWALK CROSS SECTION

RESIDENTIAL

RESIDENTIAL



#3.4



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Bill Waller, City Administrator *BW*
DATE: July 5, 2024
RE: Personnel Committee Recommendation

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

1. That the City Council approve a conditional offer of employment to Tanner Weinfurtner as a Police Officer for the City of La Crescent, and that based on Mr. Weinfurtner's experience in law enforcement that he start at step 3 in the union contract. A letter from the Police Chief regarding this recommendation is included.



CITY OF LA CRESCENT
Department of Police
Chief Luke M. Ahlschlager



July 2, 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

City Administrator Bill Waller

RE: La Crescent Police Department Hiring Recommendation – Peace Officer (Patrol Officer)

Based on the interviews conducted on July 2, 2024; to fill the full-time Peace Officer (Patrol Officer) position in the City of La Crescent, the interview panel has selected Tanner Weinfurtner as the preferred candidate.

Candidate Information:

- **Name:** Tanner Weinfurtner
- **Qualifications:**
 - Holds an active Minnesota Peace Officers Standards and Training (P.O.S.T) license.
 - Has 2.5 years of continuous law enforcement experience.
 - Holds a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice.
 - Possesses additional training certifications and desirable personal attributes.

Recommendations:

- **Conditional Offer:** Extend a conditional offer of employment to Tanner Weinfurtner.
- **Lateral Entry:** Extend lateral entry to Mr. Weinfurtner.
- **Employment Terms:** Due to Mr. Weinfurtner's qualifications, training experience, and full-time employment, it is recommended that he begins at step 3 in the LELS union contract.
- **Conditions for Offer:** The conditional offer is contingent upon:
 - A successful background investigation.
 - Passing a psychological examination.
 - Completing a thorough physical exam/drug screen.
- **Probationary Period:** The offer is pursuant to the terms and conditions of the LELS Union contract, including a twelve-month probationary period.

This recommendation reflects Mr. Weinfurtner's strong qualifications and alignment with the needs of the La Crescent Police Department.

Respectfully,

Luke M. Ahlschlager, Chief of Police

#3.5



CITY OF LA CRESCENT
Department of Police
Chief Luke M. Ahlschlager



July 2, 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
City Administrator Bill Waller

RE: Brandon LaRue Fitness Event (Ridge2Ridge Challenge) – Sat. Sept. 14th, 2024 9AM – 2PM

Brandon LaRue is seeking permission to host a Fitness Event on Saturday, September 14th, 2024, from 9 AM to 2 PM. The purpose of the event is to promote a healthy lifestyle in the Coulee Region.

Event Details:

- **Date:** Saturday, September 14th, 2024
- **Time:** 9 AM – 2 PM
- **Starting Point:** Old Hickory Park
- **Ending Point:** Pine Creek Golf Course

Mr. LaRue has confirmed the availability of both the starting and ending locations with the respective authorities: the golf course superintendent and the city secretary. Both locations are available for the event.

Recommendations:

Given the nature of the event, it is recommended that:

- Two to three La Crescent Fire & Rescue First Responders be assigned to the event to ensure participant safety.
- The La Crescent Police Department assists with traffic control within the city limits as needed.

Your consideration of this request is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

Luke Ahlschlager

CITY OF LA CRESCENT, MINNESOTA

Agenda Request Form

DATE SUBMITTED:

6/29/24

SUBMITTED BY:

Brandon LaRue

ISSUE:

Host Fitness event starting at Old Hickory park and ending at Pine Creek Golf Course. This would occur on 9/14/24. Alternative location could include starting point at lookout on North ridge.

ATTACHMENTS:

JUSTIFICATION:

To promote a healthy lifestyle in the county region.

ACTION REQUESTED:

To get any approval needed from city.

REVIEWED BY:

City Clerk/ Admin.
 Finance Director

City Attorney
 Public Works

Bldg. Insp.
 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 5:15 p.m. the day of the meeting.



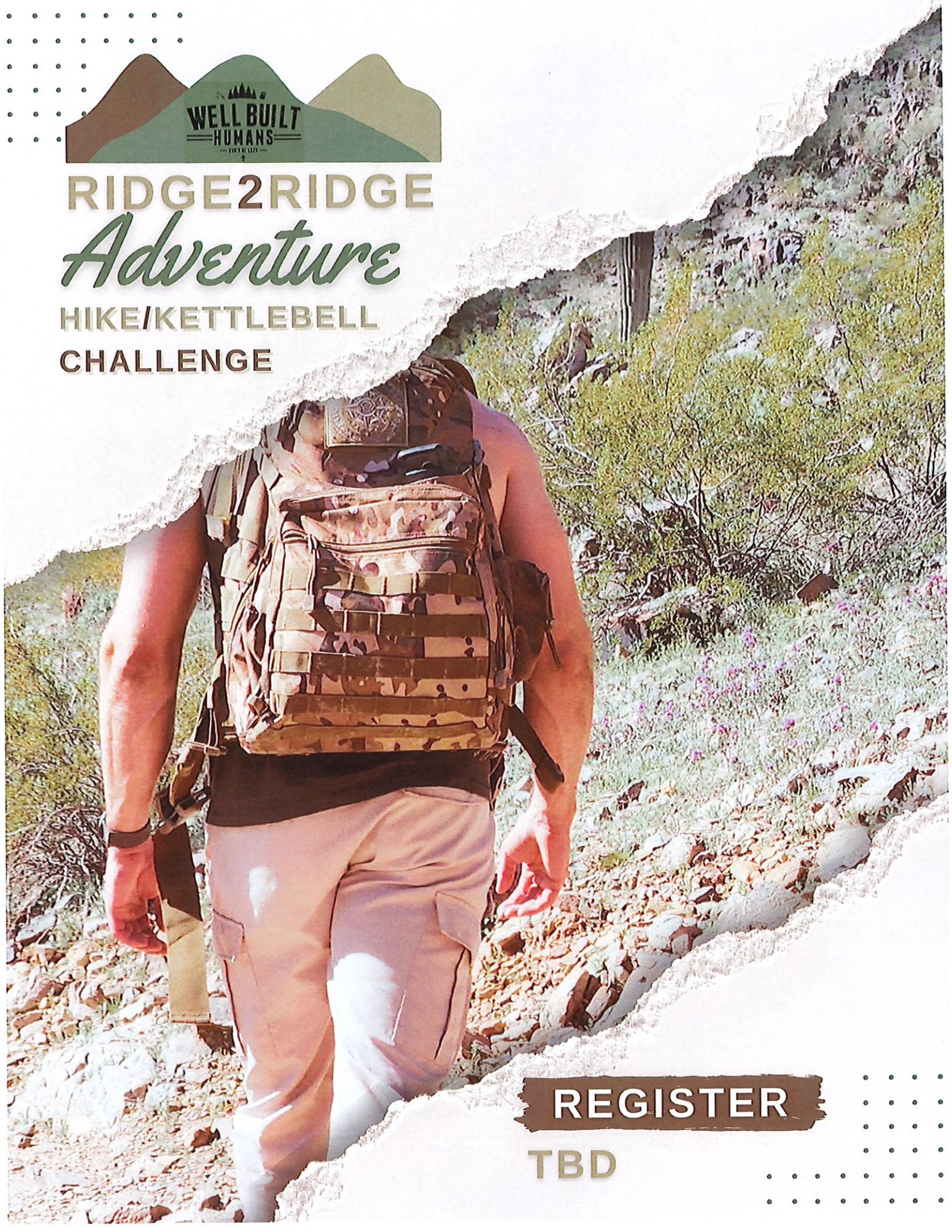
WELL BUILT
HUMANS
— FORT BLISS —

RIDGE2RIDGE

Adventure

HIKE/KETTLEBELL

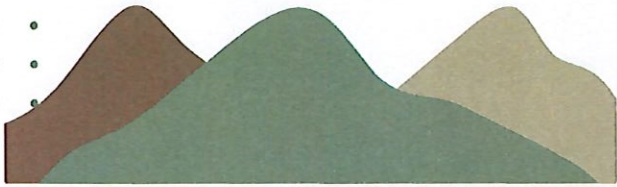
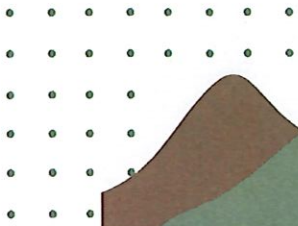
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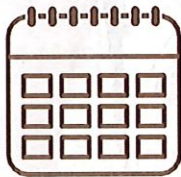
RIDGE2RIDGE

Adventure

**HIKE/KETTLEBELL
CHALLENGE**



A FUN & CHALLENGING
OUTDOOR COMPETITION COMBINING
WEIGHTED HIKING AND KETTLEBELL
MINI-WORKOUTS IN BEAUTIFUL LA
CRESCENT, MN



SEPTEMBER 14, 2024
9AM - 2PM



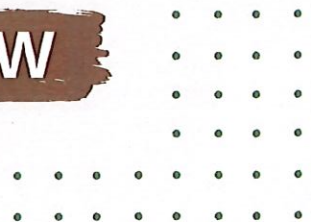
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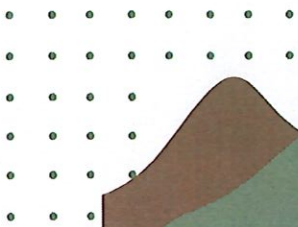


**WILL NEED KETTLEBELL
BACKPACK & BYOKB
(BRING YOUR OWN
KETTLEBELL)**

VISIT NOW

9/14/24





RIDGE2RIDGE

Adventure

HIKE/KETTLEBELL

CHALLENGE

THE COMPETITION WILL FEATURE TWO ROUTES, ONE FOR BEGINNERS (3.3 MILES) AND ONE FOR THOSE WITH AN ADVANCED FITNESS CAPACITY (7.5 MILES)

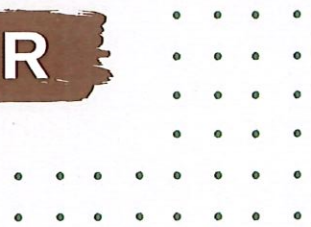


EVERY MILE, THERE WILL BE A KETTLEBELL CHALLENGE INVOLVING THE KETTLEBELL FROM YOUR BACKPACK, WHICH YOU WILL NEED TO TAKE OUT AND PERFORM KETTLEBELL EXERCISES.

WHEN YOU FINISH, THERE WILL BE HEALTHY REFRESHMENTS AND FOOD OPTIONS TO REPLENISH YOUR BODY FROM A FUN & CHALLENGING DAY.

REGISTER

9/14/24

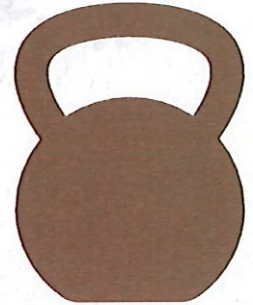




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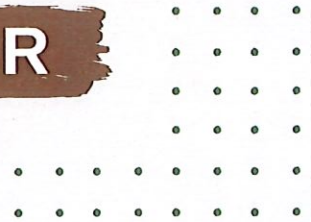
HOW DO I TRAIN FOR THIS?

A TRAINING PROGRAM IS PROVIDED WITH REGISTRATION. YOU WILL WANT TO TRAIN FOR THIS AND NOT JUST "WING IT." THIS WILL PROVIDE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO GET INTO GREAT SHAPE WHILE TRAINING FOR AN EVENT.



REGISTER

9/14/24



#3.6



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Tyler Benish, Public Works Director

DATE: July 5th, 2024

RE: Authorize Sale of Bus

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tyler Benish", is written over the "FROM:" line.

The City of La Crescent has received approval from MNDOT to sell the transit bus that is no longer in service. The bus was taken out of service in December of 2023.

For City Council information, the bus is a 2015 medium duty bus, with 287,219 miles on it. The Federal Transit Administration's expected life of a medium duty bus is 7 years and 200,000 miles.

We suggest the City Council authorize the sale of the bus and list the bus on the State of Minnesota's surplus auction website. The funds from the sale of the bus will be placed in the transit account.

Tyler Benish

From: Krueger, Jim <Kruegerj@cityoflacrosse.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 13, 2024 8:11 AM
To: Tyler Benish
Subject: FW: bus #103 - disposal approved

This is our MNDOT Program Manager for your service.

James R. Krueger Jr.
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF TRANSIT
CITY OF LACROSSE WISCONSIN
608-789-8380
Fax 608-789-7374
kruegerj@cityoflacrosse.org



From: Gurney, Matti (DOT) <matti.gurney@state.mn.us>
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2024 1:27 PM
To: Krueger, Jim <Kruegerj@cityoflacrosse.org>
Subject: bus #103 - disposal approved

*** **CAUTION:** This email originated from an external sender. **DO NOT** click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe. ***

Hi Jim,
Bus #103 is approved for vehicle disposal by our asset manager.

Matti Gurney
Implementation Unit Supervisor
Small Urban (5307) TPM & Tribal Transit POC
Office of Transit and Active Transportation
Minnesota Dept. of Transportation (MnDOT)
Matti.Gurney@state.mn.us
651-366-4177

#3.7



TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Angie Boettcher, City Clerk *Angie*

DATE: 7/1/2024

SUBJECT: 2025 MnDOT Transit Application

Attached for your review and consideration is the resolution to approve the State Transit Operating Assistance application for 2025. The resolution is adopted and submitted to MnDOT each year. In 2024, the City will receive approximately \$242,000 in Federal and State funds to operate the local bus service.

In order to continue to provide the local bus service, we would suggest that the City Council adopt the attached resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-25

**RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LA CRESCENT
ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO PROVIDE PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION IN THE CITY OF LA CRESCENT**

The City of La Crescent, Minnesota has resolved to apply for the 2025 Greater Minnesota Transit Operating Grant and enter into an Agreement with the State of Minnesota to provide public transportation in the City of La Crescent.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of La Crescent, Minnesota agrees to provide a local share of up to fifteen percent (15%) of the total operating costs and up to twenty percent (20%) of total capital costs.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of La Crescent, Minnesota agrees to provide one hundred percent (100%) of the local share necessary for expenses that exceed funds available from the State.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of La Crescent, Minnesota authorizes the Mayor and/or City Administrator to execute the aforementioned Agreement and any amendments thereto.

FURTHER resolved that the City Administrator or Transit Manager is hereby authorized to execute requests for reimbursement to the Minnesota Department of Transportation.

ADOPTED this ____ day of July, 2024.

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Administrator

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above Resolution is an accurate copy of the Resolution adopted by the Council of the City of La Crescent at an authorized meeting held on the ____ day of July, 2024, as shown by the minutes of the meeting in my possession.

Subscribed and sworn to me this
_____ day of _____, 2024

Notary Public _____

My Commission Expires _____

(Signature)

(Type or Print Name)

(Title)

#3.8

CITY OF LA CRESCENT

Department of Police

Chief Luke M. Ahlschlager



Apple Capital of Minnesota



June 27, 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

City Administrator Bill Waller

RE: Applefest Torchlight Parade – 2024 **(Parade Route Adjustment – Reversal)**

As the Applefest board continues to plan for the 76th Anniversary, the board of directors are requesting approval for a Torchlight Parade. Applefest does not officially start until Friday, September 20, 2023, however the board would like to host a special family friendly event to help kick off the weekend. For the parade to be successful they will need assistance from the La Crescent Police Department (LCPD), La Crescent Police Department Reserve Unit, and City Maintenance. They will need police representation at the line up, police traffic control and police escort for the parade.

The parade event will be free of charge and limited to La Crescent businesses only. Below you will find details pertaining to the parade event:

When: Thursday, September 19, 2023

Location: Line up at Veterans Park, end at Crucifixion Parking Lot

Time: Line up at 6:30pm, parade start at dusk (approximately 7:30pm)

Route:

- Start in parking lot of Crucifixion School
- Left on South 2nd Street
- Left on South Walnut Street
- Right on North 4th Street
- Left on North Chestnut Street
- End in parking lot of Veteran's Park

The LCPD will take necessary measures to provide adequate traffic control while minimizing traffic disruption.

I would respectfully request the La Crescent City Council grant permission for the event to be held.

Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Ahlschlager".

Luke Ahlschlager

Chief of Police

To Whom it May Concern,

As we prepare for the upcoming 2024 Applefest, the Board of Directors is requesting approval for adjustments to the Torchlight Parade. This event will mark the start of our festival on Thursday, September 19, 2024, preceding the official festival opening on September 20th. Following the success of last year's parade, we aim to introduce a new community tradition.

To enhance community engagement and support local businesses, we propose the following adjustments:

1. Parade Route Reversal: We propose reversing the direction of the parade route this year. Currently, it is set to start at Veteran's Park and end at the Crucifixion parking lot. We believe that reversing this direction will allow for more room to have floats lineup and hopefully bring community members to support local at the end of the parade route (which leads into my next point).
2. After Parade Community Event: Additionally, we are considering hosting an "After Parking Lot Party" or similar event immediately following the parade. This gathering aims to encourage community members to gather, socialize, and support local establishments. Such an event could significantly benefit our local economy and foster community spirit!

To ensure the success and safety of the parade, we kindly request assistance from the city council and relevant departments, including logistical support and any necessary permits for the proposed event.

Below are the details of the parade route adjustment and community event:

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024

Location: Line up at Crucifixion School Parking Lot, ending at Veteran's Park/Parking lot

Time: Line up at 6:30pm, parade start at dusk (approximately 7:30)

Proposed Route:

- Start in parking lot of Crucifixion School
- Left on S Second St
- Left on S Walnut St
- Right on N Fourth St
- Left on N Chestnut St
- End in parking lot of Veteran's Park

Proposed Event:

- Host a community engagement event to support local bars and restaurants. We have talked with Timeout Tavern and Swing Bridge Pub, who plan to have dinner and drink specials that night. We understand that all the parking lots there are city property. We do not plan to set up or sell anything in the lots.

We appreciate your consideration of these proposals and look forward to discussing how we can collaboratively enhance this years' Applefest. Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Best regards,

Kailey Wieser
608-518-1789
Secretary
La Crescent Applefest

RESOLUTION NO. 07-24-26

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES FOR THE AUGUST 13, 2024
PRIMARY ELECTION**

Be it resolved by the City Council of the City of La Crescent as follows:

1. The persons below named are hereby appointed judges for the 2024 elections to be held in the City of La Crescent on August 13, 2024. The judges appointed, the chairperson of the election board of each precinct designated and precinct and voting are as following:

A. First Precinct.....Community Building
To serve from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

- Deb Oliver, Chair
- Catherine Acevedo
- Rose Albrecht
- Heidi Kerska
- Ann Northrup
- Jan Schild
- Mike Trnka

B. Second Precinct.....Ice Arena
To serve from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

- Katie Jensen, Chair
- Rosanne Buehler
- Tom Curran
- Judy Graff
- Suzanne Harm
- Judy Lehmann
- Brad Sturm

Third Precinct.....Ice Arena
To serve from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM

- Carolynn Devine, Chair
- Ricardo Acevedo
- Diana Gorgos
- Sue Klemp
- Cheri Olson

C. Fourth Precinct.....Mailed Ballot

ADOPTED this 8th day of July 2024.

SIGNED:

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk