

**CITY OF LAKESHIRE  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING  
MARCH 10, 2025**

The meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held on March 10, 2025. Mayor Seher called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll was called and the following were present:

Miguel Aveytia	Alderman - Ward I
Robert Bilzing	Alderman - Ward I
Michele Wicks	Alderman - Ward II
Jessica Poschel	Alderman - Ward III
Melisa Husidic	Alderman - Ward III

6 Aldermen were present constituting a quorum.

Also present at the meeting were:

Denise Strittmatter	Police Detective
Andy Bramman	City Attorney
Laura Van Zale	City Clerk
Alen Selimanovic	Street Commissioner
Joe Lemberger	Building Commissioner - Excused
Charles Funk	Treasurer - Excused

Jeff Arp with MIRMA's Risk Grant Program presented the City with a \$1,000 check for the reimbursement of a fireproof cabinet purchased by the Police. The City will be receiving a 2<sup>nd</sup> \$1,000 check for the reimbursement of signage purchased by the Police. Jeff Arp is working with Sergeant Welge to complete the paperwork.

**City Clerk's Report as posted on the bulletin board:** A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept the City Clerk's report dated February 10, 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Paschel. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept the Treasurer's report for the month of February 2025, checks #35372 thru #35428 and three EFTPS payroll payments. The motion was seconded by Alderman Sandbach. The motion carried.

**Building Commissioner's Report:** A motion was made by Alderman Sandbach to accept Commissioner Lemberger's report for February 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Poschel. The motion carried.

**Public Works Report:** A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept Commissioner Selimanovic's report for February 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wicks. The motion carried.

- Commissioner Selimanovic is going to contact MO American Water to have the City's fire hydrants painted.
- Commissioner Selimanovic has an estimate for the asphalt repair at 9718 Lenor. He and Mayor will review.
- Commissioner Selimanovic is going to call MODOT regarding the potholes entering the City's streets from Highway 21.

- Commissioner Selimanovic used barricades to stop residents from driving over the failing grate before it was repaired. Residents repeatedly moved the barricades and continued to drive over the failing grate.

**Police Chief's Report:** A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept Chief Sullivan's report for the month of February 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wicks. The motion carried.

- Alderman Husidic feels the monthly Nuisance Violations report is just a repeat every month and sees no improvement in the totes being pulled from the curb after pick-up.
- With regards to towing derelict vehicles, Detective Strittmatter said the owner must be given notice and provided time to correct the issue before the City can tow the vehicle.
- Detective Strittmatter reported a resident was a victim of a scam. While she was outside a truck stopped with 2 people inside. The male driver approached her and said he was with the City of Lakeshire and began talking to her about the asphalt on her street. During that time, the woman in the truck entered the resident's home and stole jewelry. The suspects were both arrested in Michigan. They have been going state-to-state pulling this scam.
  - Mayor said the City's Public Works truck has an emblem on both doors. He is going to address this in the next newsletter.

**Court Clerk's Report:** A motion was made by Alderman Sandbach to accept the Court Clerk's report for the month of February 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Aveytia. The motion carried.

**City Attorneys' Report:** A motion was made by Alderman Bilzing to accept and pay the City Attorney's invoice for February 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Poschel. The motion carried.

**Prosecuting Attorney's Report:** A motion was made by Alderman Sandbach to accept and pay the Prosecuting Attorney's invoice for February 2025. The motion was seconded by Alderman Poschel. The motion carried.

### **Old Business**

- A. Mayor Seher drafted a letter to be sent to the owners of buildings that have had their tenants' trash totes tagged for not being removed from the curb after pick-up and are repeat offenders. Attorney Bramman is going to talk to Commissioner Lemberger and Prosecutor Deschamp about the language of the letter and regarding fining the owners.
  - a. Alderman Poschel is going through the City on the weekends and tagging totes that are still on the curb. She is giving Mayor Seher a list of repeat offenders' addresses.

### **New Business**

- A. A grate in the alley between Puttington Drive & Buffton Drive was caving in and required emergency repair. The least expensive option was to fill the drain in with concrete and remove the grate completely
- B. **AN ORDINANCE FOR AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE BY THE MAYOR FOR THE REMOVAL OF AN IRREPARABLE GRATE IN THE CITY RIGHT-OF-WAY.**

Bill No.4 was sponsored by Alderman Bilzing to be read by title only. A motion was made by Alderman Poschel and seconded by Alderman Sandbach to approve Bill No. 4. Roll was called and the members of the Board voted as follows:

Alderman Poschel	Yes	Alderman Husidic	Yes
Alderman Wicks	Yes	Alderman Bilzing	Yes
Alderman Aveytia	Yes	Alderman Sandbach	Yes

Having received six affirmative votes, Bill No. 4 was approved.

Ordinance 1156 was sponsored by Alderman Bilzing and read by title only. A motion was made by Alderman Poschel and seconded by Alderman Sandbach to approve Ordinance No. 1156 Roll was called and the members of the Board voted as follows:

Alderman Wicks	Yes	Alderman Sandbach	Yes
Alderman Aveytia	Yes	Alderman Husidic	Yes
Alderman Poschel	Yes	Alderman Bilzing	Yes

Having received six affirmative votes, Ordinance No. 1156 was approved.

**C. A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ESTIMATED NON-BINDING PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR 2025.**

Resolution 012025 was sponsored by Alderman Poschel to be read by title only. A motion was made by Alderman Sandbach and seconded by Alderman Wicks to approve Resolution 012025. Roll was called and the members of the Board voted as follows:

Alderman Wicks	Yes	Alderman Sandbach	Yes
Alderman Husidic	Yes	Alderman Aveytia	Yes
Alderman Poschel	Yes	Alderman Bilzing	Yes

Having received six affirmative votes, Resolution 012025 was approved.

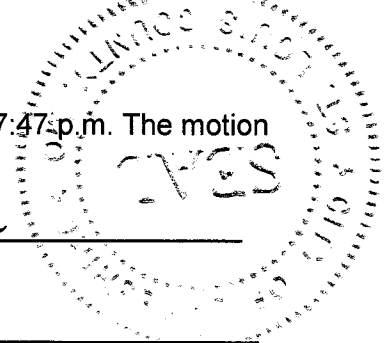
**Residents' Comments**

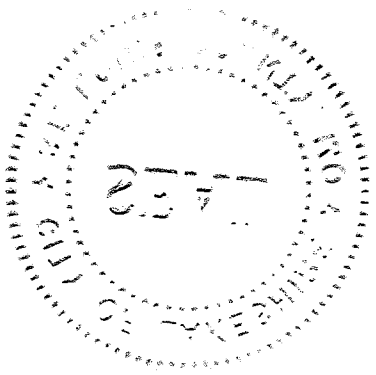
- A resident asked if there are any updates to the City installing solar street lights. Commissioner Selimanovic has looked into this and needs the number of lights to give the representative in order to get a quote.
- A resident asked what is considered self-defense when you or your dog is attacked while walking in the neighborhood. He would like to use pepper-spray. Legal options for self-defense will be discussed at the next meeting. The Mayor asked the resident for the address where the dog lives.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn by Alderman Bilzing at 7:47 p.m. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wicks. The motion carried.

  
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 Laura Van Zale, City Clerk

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 Robert Bilzing, President of the Board





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