

**LAKEVIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 16, 2025**

I. Call to Order – 7:00 PM

II. Responding to the roll call were Bill Svehla, Wade Robson, Ralph Edge and Carl Hill. Lindley Reubin and Janet Castillo were absent.

- *** **Special Award Presentation to Senator Scott Flippo and Representative Stetson Painter by Arkansas Municipal League**
Senator Scott Flippo representing District 23 and Representative Stetson Painter representing District 3 were presented plaques for the “Distinguished Legislative Award” by John Wilkerson, General Council and Jack Critcher, Legislative Liaison for the Arkansas Municipal League.

III. APPROVAL –

August 2025 Minutes

- A. Cncl. Svehla moved to accept the minutes.
- B. Cncl. Edge 2nd the motion.
- C. There being no discussion, approval was so ordered without objections.

August 2025 Financials

- A. Cncl. Svehla moved to accept the financials.
- B. Cncl. Robson 2nd the motion.
- C. There being no discussion, approval was so ordered without objections.

III. Police Report: August 2025

- A. Mayor Behling stated that the August 2025 Police Report was being presented and asked if there were any questions concerning the report. There being no questions, the report is on file for public review.

IV. Code Enforcement/Building Official Report

- A. Mayor Behling stated that the report August 11, 2025 thru September 8, 2025 was being presented and asked if there were any questions concerning the report.
- B. Report is on file for public review.

VI. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. State Street Aid Program
 - 1. Mayor Behling stated that AR DOT has signage up regarding the street paving work, but actual paving has not been started as of yet. Mayor Behling will contact AR DOT regarding status.
- B. Dogwood Lane-Road/Sinkhole
 - 1. Mayor Behling stated that he is still waiting to hear back from Billy Wehmeyer of Consolidated Land Services, Inc. in regards to status of the

sinkhole. Mayor Behling stated that he plans to follow up with Mr. Wehmeyer. Cncl. Edge asked if the survey conducted by Consolidated Land Services is going to have recommendations for the city to follow. Mayor Behling indicated that recommendations would be in the report.

C. Baxter County Sirens

1. Mayor Behling indicated that he has no new information to share regarding the Baxter County Sirens at this time. However, there is a 911 Advisory Board meeting on September 30, 2025.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

A. 2026 Mil Rate

1. Mayor Behling stated that he recommends keeping the Mil-rate at 3.
2. Cncl. Svehla made a motion to keep the Mil-rate at 3 mil.
3. Cncl. Edge 2nd the motion.
4. Motion carried with 4 Yeas and 0 Nays.

B. Resignation of Cncl. Janet Castillo, Ward 2 Position 2

1. Mayor Behling read Cncl. Castillo's resignation letter. She is moving out of state.
2. Mayor Behling asked for a motion on Cncl. Castillo's resignation.
3. Cncl. Robson made a motion to accept Cncl. Castillo's resignation.
4. Cncl. Svehla 2nd the motion.
5. Motion carried with 4 Yeas and 0 Nays.
6. Mayor Behling announced Ward 2, Position 2 vacant.

C. Mayor Behling stated that Chief Hotchkiss' retirement party will be held on October 28, 2025 from 6 PM-8 PM at city hall. Chief in Training, Mark Morton will be sworn in as Chief of Police on October 21, 2025 at the city council meeting

VIII. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

N/A

IX. ADJOURN:

- A. Cncl. Svehla made a motion to adjourn.
- B. Cncl. Hill 2nd the motion.
- C. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.