

**LAKEVIEW CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
August 18, 2026**

- I. **Call to Order – 7:00 PM**
- II. **Responding to the roll call** were Bill Svehla, Lindley Reubin, Wade Robson, Chuck Fiske and Carl Hill. Gary Brown was absent.
- III. **APPROVAL:**
 - July 2026 Minutes*
 - A. Cncl. Reubin moved to accept the minutes.
 - B. Cncl. Svehla 2nd the motion.
 - C. There being no discussion, approval was so ordered without objections.
 - July 2026 Financials*
 - A. Cncl. Svehla moved to accept the financials.
 - B. Cncl. Hill 2nd the motion.
 - C. There being no discussion, approval was so ordered without objections.
- IV. **Police Report: July 2026**
 - A. Mayor Ralph Edge stated that the July 2026 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.
- V. **Code Enforcement/Building Official Report**
 - A. Mayor Ralph Edge stated that the report July 20, 2026 thru August 10, 2026 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. Revisit Petition for Sunday Liquor Sales
 - 1. Mayor Ralph Edge indicated that not enough signatures were gathered.
 - B. Discussion on City Master Plan
 - 1. Mayor Edge indicated that Cncl. Fiske is the point person for the City of Lakeview regarding the City Master Plan. At this time, the City of Lakeview, Gassville, Cotter and Norfolk are looking into hiring a consultant to develop a City Master Plan. Each city would have to pay approximately \$10,000.00-\$12,000.00 per city depending on how many cities participate. Discussion was held. The City Master Plan will be re-visited in the future.

- C. Vacant Seat on City Council Filled
 - 1. Cncl. Gary Brown represents Ward 1 Position 1. Terms expires in 2028.

- D. Complaint-City of Lakeview (Stamford Lane)
 - 1. Mayor Ralph Edge stated the legal proceedings are continuing to move forward.

VII. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Issue 3-Arkansas Constitutional Amendment
 - 1. Mayor Edge stated that this issue is coming up on the ballot. This amendment would allow cities in the State of Arkansas to set up economic districts within their cities. These economic districts are to encourage growth of a city.
- B. Stamford Lane-Memo from Code Enforcement
 - 1. Mayor Edge encouraged the city council members to read the memo from Jim Kuchenbecker, Code Enforcement.
- C. Arkansas Fun Grant
 - 1. Mayor Edge stated that he continues to work on getting the submission for the Arkansas Fun Grant before the deadline of August 28, 2026. Discussion was held.
- D. New Building Progress
 - 1. Mayor Edge stated that the new maintenance structure is almost completed. Electrical work still needs to be completed. Jim Phelps, Maintenance, indicated that doors still need to be installed on the new maintenance structure and the old maintenance structure. A contractor out of Springfield will be completing the door work.
- E. Upcoming Election
 - 1. Upcoming election is slated for November 2026.
- F. 2023-2024 Audit.
 - 1. These audit reports were mailed to the city council. City of Lakeview received a good audit.

VIII. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR:

- 1. Ben Kankey was following up on the progress of the basketball court. His children and other children in the area are looking forward to the completion of the court. Mayor Edge stated that we are moving forward with this and are currently waiting for the asphalt contractor.

IX. ADJOURN:

- A. Cncl. Svehla made a motion to adjourn.
- B. Cncl. Hill 2nd the motion.
- C. Meeting adjourned at 7:34 pm.