



COMMUNITY CLIFF NOTES

City of Lake Winnebago, MO | Monthly Newsletter



Lake Winnebago celebrated Independence Day with great enthusiasm! Congratulations to all involved in the Fourth of July events. I don't believe any other community has as many volunteers step up to the plate as ours. The AYC staff was organized and efficient and our Police Dept helped keep everyone safe. Thank you!

Sponsors are also crucial for the success of the Fourth. Thank you, all sponsors, for your contributions.

It was great to see so many golf carts, side by side's, and utility vehicles over the weekend. We received multiple calls of people running stop signs, speeding, and going around barricades intended to keep our runners safe. Remember there are other vehicles on the road, like delivery trucks and construction vehicles. Please drive your utility vehicles like a car and obey the law. Wear your seat belts, stop at stop signs, and ensure your children are properly strapped in. We don't want any accidents, especially involving our children.

Mike Collar

Lake Winnebago Police Department Update

I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable July 4th holiday. Apart from a few hiccups due to the extremely hot weather, I thought the day went well, with no injuries or significant incidents to report.

I want to extend a big thank you on behalf of LWPD to Aaron Vial and Dream Machines Motorsports for supporting our July 4th traffic control efforts by providing us with four top shelf ATV's and UTV's for our use. This was a difference maker.

I also want to thank Seth Williamson, Carter Caskey, Jacob Hutto, and Jacob Mrachek for volunteering their time to help LWPD with traffic control on July 4th. Additionally, Krista Meinders, Kathy Ray, Barb Aaron, Ron Hillerman, Jordan Long, and Cory Burnett and his HOA staff were instrumental in making the day a success.

LWPD has received numerous reports of underage and unlicensed golf cart drivers. Please be cognizant of allowing unauthorized individuals to drive golf carts. I have instructed my officers to double down on enforcement efforts in the coming months.

As always, please email, call, or stop down at the department with any issues or concerns. Our goal is to keep everyone safe.

Michael G. Mrachek
Police Chief
Lake Winnebago Police Department

LEADERSHIP

Michael Collar
Mayor

Nick Lombardo
Ward 1 Alderman

Steve Stephan
Ward 1 Alderman

Don Davis
Ward 2 Alderman

Craig Brandon
Ward 2 Alderman

Kathy Ray
City Clerk

Steve Besermin
Public Works Director

Michael Mrachek
Police Chief

Barbara Aaron
Court Clerk

Krista Meinders
Assistant Clerk



Lake Winnebago Police Department

Backflow Certificates

Reminder Backflow Certificates need to be turned into City Hall every year.

Do you irrigate with city water? If so, you are required by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to have a backflow prevention device installed and have it tested every year. If you are not compliant your water can be turned off by MDNR. Please email your current backflow certificate to asstclerk@cityoflakewinebago.com

For more information, please visit MDNR

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Community Pool



Construction is underway and making progress on the new community pool.

Photo Wall



Photos from the Hero's Read at the Park by Officer Danisha Corbin and special guest SFC Andrew Niehaus from the Army National Guard.



Check out these ATV's and UTV's from Dream Machine Motorsports! They were used as part of the July 4th traffic control plan.

Financial Report

6 months ending in June 30,2025

**CITY OF LAKE WINNEBAGO
FINANCIAL REPORT
SIX MONTHS ENDING JUNE 30, 2025**

	<u>General</u>	<u>Special Revenue</u>	<u>Debt Service</u>	<u>Enterprise</u>
Revenues				
General	632,564	-	-	-
Law Enforcement/Court	49,883	-	-	-
Debt Service /Street	-	357,425	197,420	-
Water/Sewer/Trash	-	-	-	1,030,059
Total Revenue	<u>682,447</u>	<u>357,425</u>	<u>197,420</u>	<u>1,030,059</u>
Expenditures				
General Government	574,136	-	-	-
Law Enforcement/Court	300,903	-	-	-
Street	-	51,801	-	-
Debt Service-Street				
Principal/Interest	-	-	707,378	-
Water/Sewer/Trash	-	-	-	645,075
	<u>875,038</u>	<u>51,801</u>	<u>707,378</u>	<u>645,075</u>
Revenues Over (Under)				
Expenditures/Expenses	<u>\$ (192,591)</u>	<u>\$ 305,624</u>	<u>\$ (509,957)</u>	<u>\$ 384,984</u>

TOTAL BONDED DEBT OUTSTANDING	<u>STREET</u>	<u>WATER/SEWER</u>
	<u>\$ 1,094,453</u>	<u>\$ 1,476,800</u>

These figures are unaudited.

Kathy Ray, City Clerk

Tickets for June 2025

Total: 76 tickets

Collected \$9,597.00 for the month of June 2025

Driver's License - 6	Traffic/Other - 1
No Insurance - 9	Sign/Signal - 2
General Driving - 1	Passing - 1
Registration - 22	Accident - 2
Speeding - 20	Parking - 3
Defective Equipment - 6	Careless Driving - 1
	Code Enforcement - 2

Warnings Written for June 2025

Total warnings written: 49



Moving Violations - 10
Registration - 11
Speeding - 5
Code Enforcement - 23

City Hall 816-537-6778
Police non-emergency 816-537-7900

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BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

CITY OF LAKE WINNEBAGO

June 25, 2025 at 7:00pm

REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – Mayor Mike Collar called the meeting to order June 25, 2025, at 7:00 P.M. City Clerk Kathy Ray took roll call. Members attending were Mayor Collar, Aldermen Craig Brandon, Don Davis, Steve Stephan, Chief of Police Michael Mrachek and Ron Hillerman of Public Works, Lindsey Kolisch with Lauber Municipal Law, LLC. Mark Meinders, HOA Liaison, Resident Doug Lennie, John Hawkins, and Connie Stephan. Alderman Nick Lombardo and Steve Besermin Director of Public Works was absent. City Clerk Kathy Ray served as secretary.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Board of Aldermen Meeting 5-28-25 - Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes 5-28-25 and Board of Alderman Executive Meeting Minutes 05-28-25, Alderman Don Davis moved to approve the regular Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes 5-28-25 and Board of Alderman Executive Meeting Minutes 05-28-25, seconded by Craig Brandon. Passed with 3 yeas and 0 nays. Polling: Craig Brandon-yea, Don Davis-yea, Nick Lombardo-absent, Steve Stephan-yea. Passed unanimously.

3. MAYOR – he is excited for another 4th of July celebration. He thanked resident Don Clements for spearheading firework donations for the show. This year they will shoot from a location behind and below the dam. This location requires larger types of fireworks to allow for the display to go higher. This year he had to locate a new company and certified firework shooter pyrotechnician. Due to larger firework size the total cost is \$14,500 versus \$9,000 from last year. The city donates \$2,000.00, the HOA donates \$4,500, Don Clements Fundraisers approximately \$4,200.00 and Mike Collar personally contributes the remaining \$3,800.00. He also shared an update on the MoDOT project on 291 highway; with turn lanes for Kidwell and 163rd street. Status of the project is in the bid process with targeting late fall for a project start.

4. BOARD OF ALDERMEN – Alderman – None.

5. COMMENTS FROM RESIDENTS –

1. Doug Lennie of 476 Winnebago asked the Mayor and the Aldermen to review ordinance 400.420 regarding storage and the definition of recreational vehicles. His concern is when individuals use their recreational vehicles, they need a couple of days prepping for a trip and when they return, they need a few days to unload and service the vehicle. He suggests a longer time for the storage of recreational vehicles on their property. The Chief of Police shared since January 2025 the department has sent fourteen letters, and two citations have been issued. Alderman Craig Brandon felt it would be difficult for the Police department to monitor resident schedules in general. 2. John Hawkins – asked the Police department for an update on the request for a grant for a speed limit monitor device. His concern is with speeders on South Shore Drive. The chief shared that the department was awarded a \$5,000.00 grant towards a device, however the equipment was over \$22,000.00. He will continue to review grants.

6. NEW BUSINESS - Review the sewer, storm sewer, and street project timeline – the mayor shared that Public Works is working with vendors to establish a schedule for manholes, storm sewer and curb projects. They expect to present a project schedule next month. He also shared that street safety concern has been raised which led the city to hire a street engineer to evaluate key areas of concern within the city. The report suggested certain areas to be marked to improve safety. One specific area suggested a stop sign; this was not a good solution at Mandan and Winnebago Drive. He also shared that additional street striping could be scheduled in the future.

- Review the Final Docket of Court, Court Fee Report and Court Bond Report May 2025 – the mayor confirmed the Judge has signed the docket.
- Review of the updated Employee Handbook – the employee handbook has not been updated since 2008. The city utilized other similar size city's handbook and made changes to meet the city's requirements. The city attorney has also reviewed. The city clerk shared the timeline of updating the proposed employee handbook. The mayor shared that he had a couple of updates and would like to bring the proposed employee handbook to the July 2025 meeting. Alderman Craig Brandon thanked all that were involved updating this important document.
- Review the candidate process for the Missouri Municipal League Civic Leadership of the year award. Banquet to be held October 23, 2025. – the mayor shared with the board to start thinking about an individual that would be a candidate for this award. The deadline to submit is September 26, 2025.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

7. OLD BUSINESS - Review lake development status – the mayor asked Mark Meinders that HOA liaison to provide an update. He shared that all concrete has been poured, except for the pool deck and inspections that occurred last week. A group within the community has raised an interest in starting a swimming team. The HOA is reviewing all aspects of this request. They have confirmed that the new pool could accommodate a swim meet.

- Review of the city code for fencing of a pool – the mayor and Ron Hillerman provided an update on the status of the nineteen pool fence violators. Ron Hillerman shared that a letter was hand delivered April 2025. Of the nineteen that are in code violation, one has put up a fence and is now in compliance. He did state that the city has received letters from a few of the residents. He then reviewed the remaining eighteen that have not acted. The mayor and he created a follow up letter that he would hand deliver to the remaining eighteen and address their specific code violation. After discussion, the board approved that the letter be created, and hand delivered to each resident. Also, they requested the staff to provide an inventory list, grouped in similar categories of the individuals that remain in violation of the city code. The mayor suggested a working session prior to next month's meeting on July 23, 2025, to discuss individual circumstances. Alderman Craig Brandon requested confirmation that when the city accepts the International Building Code and amends with ordinance the International Building Code doesn't supersede even though it was amended by city ordinance.
- Review of the fireworks permit application – the mayor shared the property owner at 291 Highway and Winnebago Drive has revoked Matt Preston approval to use his property for a fireworks tent. The property owner has given All Star Fireworks the approval to use his property for a fireworks tent. The mayor shared that All Star Fireworks has all their state and local requirements, Alderman Craig Brandon made a motion to revoke the approval for Matt Preston to have a fireworks tent on the property at 291 Highway and Winnebago Drive, seconded by Don Davis, Passed with 3 yeas, and 0 nays. Polling: Craig Brandon-yea, Don Davis-yea, Nick Lombardo-absent, Steve Stephan-yea. Alderman Craig Brandon made a motion to give approval to All Star Fireworks to have a fireworks tent on the property at 291 highway and Winnebago Drive, seconded by Don Davis. Passed with 3 yeas, and 0 nays. Polling: Craig Brandon-yea, Don Davis-yea, Nick Lombardo-absent, Steve Stephan-yea.

8. BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS - Resolution 555-25 – A resolution adopting an updated version of the city's employee handbook – the mayor asked to postpone until July 23, 2025, meeting.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- HOA/LAND COMPANY – Mark Meinders – shared they will be installing no trespassing signs near the dam. He expects a final version of the Little Blue Valley Sewer District for a meter location. The Arrowhead Yacht Club entrance/overhang is currently under demo construction to make it safe prior to the 4th of July. The target facelift/repair to be completed in the fall.
- LEGAL – Lauber Municipal Law, LLC. – Lindsey Kolisch reported – the Governor has signed a bill for updated fireworks regulations to go into effect in August 2025. The updates are mainly terminology.
- FINANCIAL – Kathy Ray - Review May 31st, 2025, Financial Statements
- Review May 2025 Check/Deposit Register - After review of the May 2025 check/deposit register Alderman Craig Brandon moved to approve the check register, seconded by Don Davis. Passed with 3 yeas and 0 nays. Polling: Craig Brandon-yea, Don Davis-yea, Nick Lombardo-absent, Steve Stephan-yea.
- Reviewed the check register with the Mayor and Board of Aldermen the following are unusual expenses: Grays' Excavating – storm sewer repair. Midway US Collison – Police vehicle wrap. Lenovo – New computer Police Department. National Sign Company – Street striping project. DSWA – Annual audit
- POLICE, FIRE, CIVIL DEFENSE – Chief Michael Mrachek – Continue to meet with the 4th of July planning committee. HOA asks for additional monitoring on the 4th of July around the park. Met with camera monitor vendor and will provide the cost when received. Continuing to familiarize the department with the requirements of Emergency Management (EMPG) responsibilities. Met with the security group for the All Fireworks tent.
- PLANNING AND ZONING – Don Davis – he reported that Alderman Craig Brandon and he met with the Horwitz's of 234 South Shore regarding the pool fence topic.
- WATER, STREETS, SEWERS – Steve Besermin – the mayor shared the department continues review the staffing needs of the department.
- OTHER BUSINESS – the mayor and the Board agreed to a working session on July 23, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. to review the pool fence topic.
- ADJOURN – Alderman Craig Brandon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m., seconded by Don Davis.