Town of Lakeville
Town Council Meeting
October 5, 2026

Present parties are Town President Lori Kelly, Vice President April Hathaway. Dean Rouch Town Council member does not present for meeting.
Town President Lori Kelly opened the Public Hearing for the 2027 Budget at 6PM. No comments on the budget, hearing closed at 6PM.
Town President Lori Kelly opens Town Council Meeting at 6:01PM.
Town Clerk-Treasurer Nicole Carr presented meeting minutes from 9/17/2026 meeting, Lori asked for a motion, April made motion, and Lori second.
Town Clerk-Treasurer Nicole presented APV's in the amount of $128,538.06, Lori asked for a motion, April made the motion, Lori second the motion.
Nicole presented DLZ payment applications #26R, #27, #28, #29, and Change order #1. Lori asked for a motion, April made motion, Lori second.
Nicole presented Apex trash memo for the next 3 years. Everyone is happy with the service. Lori
asked for a motion, April made a motion, Lori second.
Daniel Dalton did come to the meeting from Cender and Dalton. He helped Nicole with this years budget to get submitted to the DLGF and getting the hearing date advertised. The Fire Territory wants us to add another EMS Levy, we are still not 100% on this and we needed to make sure that we had our budget submitted before we can even think about creating another fund. Also with raising the taxes we are getting closer to our circuit breaker so we need to discuss this more in the future.
Utilities:
CCM 2024 was never closed out, Joe is not happy that this was not done. Nicole is working on 401K for all employees. Joe updated on tower progress. They have half the fencing done, some of the pavement is done but not the top coat, and we are coming up on the 1 year warranty check in April 2027. Joe also requesting monthly minutes and fund reports each month.
Police:
Patrick Howard was at the meeting. Fall Festival is ready for the most part, just getting odds and ends tied up.

Activity for September 2026
179 calls for service
9 assists to St Joe County
1 assist to Marshall county
10 total reports
2 arrests
2 tickets written
Police Department will have a trunk at Newton Park Trunk or Treat 10/17/26 and UMC trunk or treat is 10/24/26
RDC:
Still waiting on Quotes to remodel the Blue Barn.

EDC:
Denny is going to take care of the tree in Culp Park for the Christmas lighting. He is waiting on a quote from Dan Griswald- owner of Griswald lighting. Planning to have tree and town Christmas lighting on 11/28/2026. Dan would put the lights up, take them down, and store the lights for us. Also wanting to do the Santa drive by that same day. Looking into getting someone to do coffee and hot cocoa, possibly The Bread Box for sweets, local churches, and Boy Scout Troop. Denny also wants to look at helping Esther's Attic (antique shop) with paying for her sign. Also looking at building an Arch at the beginning of the walking trails by the Community Barn.
Fire Territory:
No one here from Fire Territory
Fire Chief:
No one here from FD.
End of Department updates
Staying with Apex Trash Service for another 3 year, Brandie asked Nicole to get her the current contract with rates and next 3 year rates so she can write up a contract for the next 3 years.
Pushing the advertisement of All Hallows Eve- looking for families and businesses to help with decorating the woods. We got our first $100 donation from Mr. Randy Figg.

We started discussions on the possibility of giving the Fire Department free training water if they turn in their slips within 48 hours. This is just in the talking phase.
Cindy did go back from 2020-present and figured out that we "owe" the Fire Department $103.69 which will be put in as a credit for their water bill. Lori and April both signed that agreement and a copy to be sent over to the Fire Department so they are aware.
We also got a $5000 donation from Lakeville Inc., Volunteer Fire Department for the Christmas Light Fund.
Ryan Schafer from the Fire Territory did send an email to the town per the request of April about possible solutions for the EMS budget. That was read at the meeting, more discussion needs to happen.
Town President Lori Kelly asked for a motion to close the meeting at 7:15pm, April made the motion, Lori second. Meeting was closed at 7:15pm 10/5/2026

TOWN PRESIDENT, LORI KELLY

VICE PRESIDENT, APRIL HATHAWAY

BOARD MEMBER, DEAN ROUCH

CLERK-TREASURER, NICOLE CARR