

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AUGUST 17, 2026

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steven Dean at 7:06 PM at Le Roy City Hall, 207 S East Street, Le Roy. Council members present were Matt Steffen, Ron Legner, Scott Tucker, Kyle Merkle, Curt Dunafin, Dawn Hanafin, and Kelly Lay. Sarah Welte was absent.

Staff members present were Dan Lush, Perry Mayer, Sean Spencer, Jason Williamson, David Jenkins, Anita Corso and Brad Frankovich.

There were no comments from the public.

Included on the consent agenda were approval of Regular Meeting Minutes from 7/20/2026, approval of invoices from 8/3/2026 totaling \$176,460.82, payroll for the period of 7/6/26 to 7/19/26 in the amount of \$ 69,301.20, payroll for the period of 7/20/26 to 8/2/26 in the amount of \$ 62,346.71 and invoices from 8/17/26 totaling \$150,316.97. The items of the consent agenda were voted on separately.

Motion was made by Matt and seconded by Kelly for approval of Meeting Minutes. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Scott Tucker-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Motion was made by Kyle and seconded by Matt for approval of the invoices and payrolls. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-abstain, Scott Tucker-abstain, Kyle Merkle-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Dawn Hanafin-abstain, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 4 yeas, 0 nays, 3 abstain.

In Staff Reports, Dan reported that the fitness center at Gaultney Park should be completed as early as tomorrow.

Anita reported petition circulation for the April 2027 Consolidated Election begins August 25, 2026. The calendar and candidate's guide is available on the State Board of Elections website.

WasteNot Compost gave a presentation describing possible compost processing and collection services for the City of Le Roy. The proposed site is the old city landfill and should not interfere with the frisbee golf course.

ORD 26-08-01-51 AN ORDINANCE DISCONNECTING CERTAIN TERRITORY AS HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED FROM THE CITY OF LE ROY, MCLEAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Dave reviewed the area in question and summarized the discussion from earlier meetings. Motion to approve by Kelly was seconded by Matt.

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Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Scott Tucker-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Discussion was opened regarding a text amendment regulating mobile food vendors. ORD 26-08-02-03 was presented as an example and a starting point for any regulations. Concerns included food trucks competing with current or future businesses, registration for proper taxes, food safety. A work session will be held Sept 21, 2026.

Council entered discussion regarding adopting an amended property maintenance code to include shipping storage containers as acceptable accessory use, including limitation provisions. Further discussion will be included in the Sept 21, 2026 work session.

Old & New Business

- Garden Grove / Brad Marcy update – purchase 2 acres, plat will show easement for possible service road, consensus is to proceed with paperwork
- Fitness Court launch date – 9/12/26. Event details are online. Play equipment has been repainted. An app is available to show workouts on the equipment.
- Nursing home update – looks very promising. Progress continues with repairs and requirements.

Mayor Dean indicated the executive session on the agenda was not necessary.

Motion to adjourn by Matt was seconded by Kelly. Roll call: Matt Steffen-yes, Ron Legner-yes, Scott Tucker-yes, Kyle Merkle-yes, Curt Dunafin-yes, Dawn Hanafin-yes, Kelly Lay-yes. Motion carried 7 yeas, 0 nays.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Submitted by,

Anita Corso, RMC
City Clerk