

CITY OF ROSE CREEK

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Regular Council Meeting January 5, 2026

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the City Council of Rose Creek was held, Monday, January 5, 2026, with the following present: Mayor Andrew Leisen, Council Members: Andrew Felten, Mark Conradt, Wendel Sprung, Tom Lewison, City Clerk/Treasurer Allas, Public Works/Maintenance Aaron Wagner. Attorney Sam Ketchum as present as well as approximately 4 guests/residents in attendance.

Mayor Andrew Leisen opened the regular meeting of the City Council at 6:00 p.m. and we recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Mark Conradt made the motion to approve the Agenda and Minutes of December 1, 2025 as written, Council Member Tom Lewison seconded, approved by Mayor Andrew Leisen.

Curt Sheely, representative of League of MN Cities MATIT gave a presentation regarding the policies held by the City. He suggested we do not waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability. Council Member Sprung made the motion due to the statutory limits the City does not waive the monetary limits on municipal tort liability established by MN Statute 466.04, Council Member Felten seconded, and approved by Mayor Andrew Leisen. Question posed to Mr. Sheely included what about the beer at the fairgrounds that the firemen serve the week of the fair? He stated that is Mower County property, and not owned by Rose Creek, and it's a fundraiser for the Volunteer Fire Department and they are all volunteers.

2026 Committee/Appointments:

Acting Mayor	Council Member Wendel Sprung
Official Newspaper	Mower County Independent
Official Bank	United Farmers State Bank, Rose Creek, MN
Legal Counsel	Attorney Sam Ketchum, Kennedy Graven
Official Doctor	Mayo Health Systems, Austin, MN
Auditor Andrew Forliti	Smith Schafer Auditors, Rochester
Sign Checks	Mayor Andrew Leisen/ Council Member Wendel Sprung/City Clerk/Treasurer Kristine M Allas
Weed Inspector	Council Member Andrew Felten
Water/Sewer	Council Member Andrew Felten/Tom Lewison
Streets and Park	Council Member Andrew Felten
Purchasing	Council Member Tom Lewison/City Clerk/Treasurer Kristine M Allas
Civil Defense	Council Member Wendel Sprung
Fire Chief	Chief Al Mullenbach

Health Benefit: Council Member Tom Lewison made the motion to take the \$2.00/hr. for Aaron Wagner and Kristine Allas and put it with their regular wage as a stipend so PERA is calculated correctly, Council Member Mark Conradt seconded, and approved by Mayor Andrew Leisen.

Point--Of-Sale Ordinance: Council Member Mark Conradt tabled to add the draft to the February Regular Council Meeting, add "to scope it also", and have Attorney Sam Ketchum look it over, Council Member Tom Lewison seconded, and approved by Mayor Andrew Leisen.

Employee Personnel Policy:

Attorney Sam Ketchum gave the background of this policy he drafted from a Township file. In the Employment Manual – paid leave law, ESST, benefits, expectations, and it's a good idea to adopt it tonight. Council Member Tom Lewison suggested meeting with our employees before adopting it. Attorney Ketchum explained that the Council can make changes to the policy. Mayor Andrew Liesen requested that the Council Members send any questions/concerns to City

Clerk/Treasurer Allas and look at it at the next meeting in February. Council Member Mark Conradt made the motion to table the February meeting, so we have more time to look at it, Council Member Tom Lewison seconded the motion and approved by Mayor Andrew Leisen.

Budget: Mayor Andrew Leisen stated to look closer at the budget.

Kretta Menuet of the Creek Club presented that Creek Club sponsored gifts for shut-ins and a family of 6 kids from 3 families that are in the Rose Creek area. The checks for the relief fund and the closet came from Southland Foundation. Creek Club needs volunteers. Santa was here and delivered presents, and the after-hour party went well. Spring Flings is March and will need to apply for a liquor license. Mayor Andrew Leisen was in charge of the Christmas Light Contest, but we need the top winners.

Public Works/Maintenance Aaron Wagner presented the following report: Snow removal, it was the consensus of the Council to leave the County streets with the snow in the middle and we'll have to remove it. Signed up for a training in February to take his wastewater exam. Tractor could be traded in with a value of about \$8,000 on a new \$30,000 tractor 4 WD, tabled.

Invoices/Finances: Council Member Tom Lewison made the motion to approve paying the invoices/payroll, Council Member Wendel Sprung seconded, and approved by Mayor Andrew Leisen.

Special Meeting set for February 20th to discuss yearly reviews/budget/personnel policy, cost of living/raise.

Council Member Mark Conradt made the motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., Council Member Tom Lewison seconded, and approved by Mayor Andrew Leisen.

Respectfully submitted, Kristine M Allas, City Clerk/Treasurer