



Date: January 16, 2026

From: Justin Miller, City Administrator

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

2026 WEEKLY UPDATE

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Leave nothing for tomorrow which can be done today.” – Abraham Lincoln

PUBLIC WORKS

- Streets staff this week was out cutting ice from gravel roads.
- The Streets crew is preparing all snow removal equipment for the next round of winter weather.
- Streets staff continue work in the winter tree-pruning district.
- Utility staff are televising sanitary sewer lines on the maintenance schedule.
- Utility staff continue door-to-door outreach to complete the water service line inventory.
- The filter media replacement project is underway; the contractor has begun preparing the workspace and has received the first shipment of media. Removing the old filter material is scheduled to start in early February.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Park Administration and Maintenance

- The second group meeting for the Parks System Master Plan took place last week. Staff, advisory board committee members, and the consultant reviewed the results from the recent community survey. Attached to this update is a project update.
- Summer seasonal candidates from last year have been invited to reapply for a seasonal position with Park Maintenance.

Recreation & Heritage Center

- Heritage Center has only a few boxes of the Metro Dining Cards left. Take advantage of this special offer! Just \$30 will give you 138 Cards to various restaurants and other establishments south of the river. Each card is good to use once a month. You may purchase them at either the Parks and Recreation Department or the Heritage Center.
- Beginning in January, the Lakeville Area Active Adults are now called the Heritage Active Adults. This new name goes hand in hand with a brand-new logo and a new newsletter layout.
- The Heritage Active Adults is organizing a new Special Events Committee beginning this month. This committee will provide 10+ special events throughout the year for our active adults. We are also adding Polish Bingo and a new fitness class, Sarcopenia Weights. Great things are happening at the Heritage Center.
- Staff are updating the Adult Leagues webpages in preparation for the release of the summer and fall league information.
- Staff have been inputting summer and fall program details into the City's registration system, RecTrac.

Arts Center

- The Arts Center has a class at Heritage Library coming up called “Winter Ceramic Hand-built Mug,” and it is currently full with 15 students and 32 people on the waiting list
- Applications have opened online for artists to participate in the Art Crawl and for businesses to host artists.
- Programming staff has prepped and placed all upcoming art classes for the rest of the year online for viewing. Registration will open in February.
- A job description for the “Arts Center Intern” went live on Wednesday. If you know of a college student who might be interested, encourage them to apply!

COMMUNICATIONS

- Media productions for social media:
 - LAAC Twin Cities Ballet: ["Dance with Me"](#)
 - [25 Moments of 2025](#)
 - Lakeville Thrive! [January 2026](#)
 - LAAC Expressions Community Theater: Agatha Christie's [The Mousetrap](#)
 - Expression: The Mousetrap [Sneak Peek](#)
 - Twin Cities Curling Association: [The Big Spiel](#)

Upcoming Meetings of the Council

January 20, 2026	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
January 26, 2026	Work Session	6:00 p.m.
February 2, 2026	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.

Informational Attachments:

- Police Department Weekly Report
- Fire Department Weekly Report
- Lakeville Liquors Weekly Report
- Parks Master Plan Project Update 3



Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, January 4, 2026 – Saturday, January 10, 2026

883 Calls for Services



233 TRAFFIC STOPS



35 SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



0 DOMESTICS



17 AUTO ACCIDENTS



3 THEFTS



11 CRISIS MENTAL HEALTH
13 WELFARE CHECKS
0 SUICIDE THREAT/
ATTEMPT/DEATH



28 ALARM BURGLAR
0 FIRE ALARM



7 FRAUD



8 ANIMAL CALLS



2 BURGLARY



24 MEDICALS



2 VANDALISM/DAMAGE
PROPERTY



0 DRUG ACTIVITY



5 CHILD PROTECTION



35 DISTURBANCES



1 DRUNKENNESS



3 MISSING PERSON



1 SHOPLIFTING



Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, January 4, 2026 – Saturday, January 10, 2026

Weekly Review

Please note, the Weekly Review does not include all calls to which the Lakeville Police Department responded. Incidents included here are based on severity, impact on public safety or other factors.

- Officers responded to a burglary in progress at 17XXX Gettysburg Way after residents left their front door open to ventilate the home. Two individuals entered the residence and began taking items, then fled on foot when confronted by the homeowner. The investigation remains ongoing. This incident serves as a reminder to keep doors locked, even when home.
- Officers documented a two-car crash at Cedar Ave and Glacier Way where the at-fault driver ran the red light due to a foot cramp and was subsequently cited for failure to drive with due care.
- Officers completed a past-action theft report at 18XXX Kenrick Ave involving five suspects who stole merchandise and exited the store without payment. Detectives are reviewing security footage as part of the ongoing investigation to identify the suspects.
- A stop arm violation occurred at Gillette Way and 175th St W where multiple children were crossing the intersection. The suspect vehicle was identified, and they were mailed a citation.
- Officers conducted a traffic stop for speeding and determined the driver was Canc-IPS. The driver was arrested, booked, and later released.
- Officers responded to a three-vehicle crash at 179th St W and Pilot Knob Rd after one driver was looking in another direction and failed to see stopped traffic ahead, causing a rear-end collision. A second driver, also distracted, subsequently struck the other vehicles involved. Two drivers were cited for failure to drive with due care.
- A traffic accident report was completed for a two-vehicle crash at Cedar Avenue and 161st St after a driver entering Cedar Ave from 161st St failed to yield the right of way to a southbound vehicle. The at-fault driver was cited for failure to yield.
- A vehicle was stopped for obstructed license plates, and the driver was found to be Canc-IPS. The driver was transported to Dakota County Jail and was booked and released.
- Community Service Officers located a dog at large near 16XXX Garrett Path. The dog was chipped but it did not contain accurate information, so the dog was impounded at Barks and Rec.
- Officers responded to a theft report at 21XXX Glade Ave where an employee, in their first two days of employment, was confronted by management regarding a felony-level theft and terminated. Officers reviewed video footage, confirmed approximately \$1,100 in stolen merchandise, and transported the individual to jail.



Lakeville Fire Department Update Sunday, January 4–Saturday, January 10



MEDICAL
59



FIRE ALARMS
5



GOOD INTENT
13



HAZARDOUS
CONDITIONS
1



FOOD TRUCK LICENSE
4



CHILD CAR SEAT
1



SERVICE CALL
1



INSPECTIONS
38



PLAN REVIEW
2



PRE-PLANS
16



PERMITS ISSUED
3



TEMP HEAT PERMITS
10

Lakeville Liquors

January 11 - January 17, 2026

Weekly Summary



Store Highlights

Heritage Location



Heritage has their “Dry January” supplies front and center!

Galaxie Location



Galaxie has plenty of “Dry January” products to please any pallet!

Kenrick Location



Participating in Dry January? Let Kenrick help with all your non-alcoholic beer, wine, and spirit requests!

Keokuk Location



Keokuk hosted a “No & Low” takeover last Saturday that was very successful! Watch for in-store events on our calendar.

Absolute opposite of a No & Low Feature

Cutwater Chocolate Espresso Martini -

The Cutwater Chocolate Espresso Martini is a ready-to-drink cocktail that combines the rich flavors of chocolate and espresso with a smooth vodka base. It’s perfect for those who want a quick and delicious pick-me-up with a touch of indulgence. 13% ABV



Metrics

January 1 - 12 Sales Summary				Change in %
Heritage	\$132,102	2025	\$131,711	FLAT +
Galaxie	\$156,326	2025	\$154,450	Increase 1.2%
Kenrick	\$114,359	2025	\$118,141	Decrease 3.2%
Keokuk	\$121,567	2025	\$124,551	Decrease 2.4%
Combined	\$524,354	2024	\$528,851	FLAT -
January 1 - 12 Customer Count				Change in %
Heritage	4,767	2025	4,965	Decrease 4.0%
Galaxie	5,804	2025	5,782	FLAT +
Kenrick	4,455	2025	4,389	Increase 1.5%
Keokuk	4,154	2025	4,168	FLAT -
Combined	19,180	2025	19,304	FLAT -
January 1 - 12 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %
Heritage	\$27.72	2025	\$26.55	Increase 4.4%
Galaxie	\$26.93	2025	\$26.74	FLAT +
Kenrick	\$25.67	2025	\$26.95	Decrease 4.7%
Keokuk	\$29.27	2025	\$29.90	Decrease 2.1%
Combined	\$27.34	2025	\$27.42	FLAT -

- It is exciting to see that we are flat across the board this early in the month. Keep up the great work!
- Our management team met this past week and discussed goals. This year our sales metric goals include the following: 1% increase in sales, flat in customer counts, 1% increase in sales per transaction, and 0.5% increase in gross profit. We can do this!

Michael Hyatt

“Upgrading your beliefs is the first step toward experiencing your best year ever.”

CITY OF LAKEVILLE

PARKS AND TRAILS SYSTEM MASTER PLAN



Project Update #3 – January/February 2026

Project Purpose

The City of Lakeville is preparing a plan to guide the parks system for the next decade and beyond. Our planning efforts are focused on taking care of the existing parks and exploring new opportunities to make the system even better for our community,

Survey Results

The results from the first survey are in! With over 1,300 responses representing households of 4,600 people (nearly 1,900 youth), we thank everyone who took the time to offer their insights into the park system. A summary of the responses can be found here: <https://tinyurl.com/LakevilleSurveyResponses>

Some of the key takeaways from the community input:

- The big parks (Antlers, Michaud, Aronson, Ritter Farm) top the most visited list, but many residents are frequenting their own neighborhood parks.
- Trails are far-and-away the highest use feature with $\frac{3}{4}$ of respondents saying they use them weekly or more!
- Over half of respondents report using playgrounds at least weekly.
- Hiking, followed by sledding and skating are the most popular winter activities.
- More access to water was a desire, whether formal aquatics or additional access to lakes/beaches/paddle sports.
- As the City has grown, roads have gotten busier and thoughtful trail crossings are a must.
- Specialized park features (archery, courts, etc.) may have a smaller overall number of users, but the people that use those facilities are passionate about how important they are to them.
- Residents generally feel that the parks, trails, and recreation programs are meeting their needs, and are well maintained and safe.
- Conversations about a community center appeared throughout the survey and should continue to be evaluated in this planning process.

How are you using your favorite parks?

The first survey asked questions about how people use the park system and what kinds of things people like to do. As we analyze specific parks, we'd love to hear more about your individual experiences!

The project website: <https://us.maptionnaire.com/p/7a7ie2v7dbv8> has a link to our park map input form. This is where you can tell us about your favorite playground, the trail that needs to be fixed, or your big idea for that open area at your park.

Next Steps

The project will be pivoting from existing conditions and needs assessment into the vision for the future and actions we can take to get there. At this transition, we will be having discussions with elected officials and the public to review needs and start the visioning process.

We will be hosting an open house on March 4th, from 4:30-6:30 PM at City Hall.
Anyone interested in the park system or this planning effort is welcome to attend!

If you have any questions about the planning process, please contact:

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