



Date: March 6, 2026

From: Justin Miller, City Administrator

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council

# 2026 WEEKLY UPDATE

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Faith is taking the first step even when you don’t see the whole staircase.” – Martin Luther King Jr.

## PUBLIC WORKS

- Streets has finished right-of-way ash tree removal for the winter.
- Streets has started MS4 work, such as storm sewer maintenance and spring sweeping.
- Utilities staff continue to televise sanitary sewers that are part of our annual maintenance schedule.
- Utilities staff cleaned the chlorine scrubber, and new caustic soda was added. The chlorine scrubber removes chlorine from the air in the event of a chlorine leak.
- The contractor finished removing old media from Filters two and four this week and started to install new media. Filters six and eight were also removed from service, and the contractor started removing the media from those filters.
- Environmental Resources staff met with the City’s lake consultant, Blue Water Science, to review ongoing work and discuss planning for the 2026 workplan. Blue Water Science supports the City’s lake management program through services including aquatic plant and fish surveys, water sampling, aquatic invasive species monitoring, and education activities.
- Environmental Staff met with Parks department to coordinate vegetation maintenance needs for 2026.

## PARKS AND RECREATION

### Administration and Park Maintenance

- An open house for the Parks System Master Plan was held on March 4 at City Hall. The consultant and staff were in attendance to answer residents' questions. Overall, it was well attended and informative!
- The bid documents for the Lake Marion Greenway Trail and East Community Park Phase II are 90% to completion and will go out for bid in the coming weeks.
- The Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources Committee reviewed a draft splash pad policy and provided feedback. Staff is in the process of reviewing and making edits.

### Recreation & Heritage Center

- The outdoor rinks and warming houses had great ice this winter up until the very end. During the 2025/2026 skating season, there were 13,177 skater visits, averaging 269 per day.
- Active Adult membership at the Heritage Center has surpassed 1,700!

### Arts Center

- South Metro Chorale is performing their annual Cabaret. This year’s theme is Time After Time. [Tickets are selling fast.](#)
- The Community Band performed with student bands from both South and North High School this week. It was a great turnout and the bands sound amazing!

- Storybook Theater is back in the building, March 9-14, working on a production of Robin Hood with students ages 7-12.
- Twin Cities Ballet will be performing and dancing with little ones on Tuesday, March 10. This is a perfect activity for your little movers!  
<https://www.lakevilleareaartscenter.com/1056/Dance-With-Me>
- The reception for Youth Art Month was an incredible success. The galleries and buildings were packed with families and friends celebrating their student’s creative accomplishments. We went through roughly 700 cookies! In addition to reception attendance, the online gallery received more than 1,400 views!
- Spring theatre classes began on Tuesday.
- Summer theatre classes are beginning to sell out. Two classes are full and have waiting lists.
- All classes and camps are filling up! We currently have three sold-out camps and many on the verge. Register now while spaces last!
- We have contracted Yardly Arts to design and install an art fence that will surround the new playground at the Arts Center.
- Interviews for the summer Arts Center Internship position are underway.
- Anna Marie Pavlik, a printmaker who is hosting an exhibition at City Hall hosted a reception on Wednesday night.
- Our new art history lecture series with Art Historian, Adrienne Lee, started on Wednesday!

**COMMUNICATIONS**

- Home, Landscape & Community Expo is March 21
- [Citywide Blood Drive](#) at the Hennen Pavilion is April 7
- Media productions and social media focus:
  - Lakeville City Council meeting: [March 2](#)
  - [Pamela McNeill](#): Janis, Stevie, Dolly and Me (April 17)
  - Pub Night: [Sawyer’s Dream](#) (April 1)
  - Meet the City Employee: [Lara Peterson](#) (Communications Specialist)
  - Lakeville Liquors: [March Fundraiser](#) (Food Pantries in Dakota County)

**Upcoming Meetings of the Council**

March 17, 2026	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
April 6, 2026	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.
April 20, 2026	Regular Meeting	6:00 p.m.

- Informational Attachments:
- Police Department Weekly Report
  - Fire Department Weekly Report
  - Lakeville Liquors Weekly Report
  - Thrive! March 2026
  - February 2026 Permits Report



# Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, February 22, 2026 – Saturday, February 28, 2026

## 780 Calls for Services



169 TRAFFIC STOPS



37 SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



4 DOMESTICS



23 AUTO ACCIDENTS



4 THEFTS



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



19 ALARM BURGLAR  
0 FIRE ALARM



5 FRAUD



17 ANIMAL CALLS



0 BURGLARY



15 MEDICALS



5 VANDALISM/DAMAGE  
PROPERTY



0 DRUG ACTIVITY



5 CHILD PROTECTION



28 DISTURBANCES



1 DRUNKENNESS



2 MISSING PERSON



0 SHOPLIFTING



## Lakeville Police Department Update

Sunday, February 22, 2026 – Saturday, February 28, 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 were dispatched to a two-vehicle crash at the intersection of 185<sup>th</sup> St W and Kenrick Ave. The at-fault driver advised they were looking down at their GPS when they struck the vehicle in front of them. The at-fault vehicle was towed and a traffic accident report was completed.
- Officers responded to 20XXX Keokuk Ave in regard to a theft of cash reported by a customer. The reporting party advised they had left \$40 at the self-checkout and upon return, the money was not there. Surveillance was reviewed and showed the reporting party requesting a cash withdrawal at the end of the transaction and forgot to take it from the dispenser. The cash was knocked on the ground and two different unidentified people each picked up \$20 after looking around to see if it belonged to anyone. This serves as a reminder to always check the areas of self-checkouts before leaving any personal items behind.
- While on patrol, officers observed a vehicle smoking and conducted a traffic stop. The driver was displaying signs of impairment and submitted to the standard field sobriety tests and provided a preliminary breath test of 0.23 BAC. The driver was placed under arrest for DWI and booked at Dakota County Jail for 2<sup>nd</sup> Degree DWI.
- Officers observed a tow truck removing a vehicle from the end of an unfinished road and made contact after observing a driver inside the vehicle. The driver was displaying signs of impairment and failed the standardized field sobriety tests. After providing a preliminary breath test result of 0.177 BAC, they were arrested for DWI and transported to Dakota County Jail.
- Officers responded to a report of an intoxicated truck driver causing a scene at a gas station then leaving the area. Officers located the driver nearby and conducted a traffic stop. The driver showed signs of impairment and following the standard field sobriety tests was placed under arrest for DWI. He provided a DMT-G sample of 0.12 and was booked and released at Dakota County Jail as he was also found to have a misdemeanor warrant.
- While conducting winter parking enforcement, officers located a vehicle that was equipped with revoked license plates and was flagged for impoundment. The plates were removed and entered into evidence for destruction.
- Multiple traffic accident reports were completed for crashes as a result of the icy road conditions. A reminder to slow down and plan ahead during the winter months.
- Officers documented a theft of a \$20,000 bronze fairy statue in front of a local business. Detectives are reviewing surveillance and the investigation is ongoing.
- Officers responded to a disturbance at 20XXX Icenic Trl where an unwanted party was on site and had previously caused disturbances. Officers made contact and issued a trespass notice at the request of management.



# Lakeville Fire Department Update Sunday, February 22–Saturday, February 28



FIRES  
1



VEHICLE ACCIDENTS  
1



MEDICAL  
45



HAZARDOUS  
CONDITIONS  
1



FIRE ALARMS  
5



GOOD INTENT  
8



FOOD TRUCK LICENSE  
1



INSPECTIONS  
33



PLAN REVIEW  
17



PRE-PLANS  
51



PERMITS ISSUED  
16



FIRE STATION TOURS  
2



COMMUNITY EVENTS  
1

# Lakeville Liquors

March 2- March 7, 2026

Weekly Summary



## Store Highlights

### Heritage Location



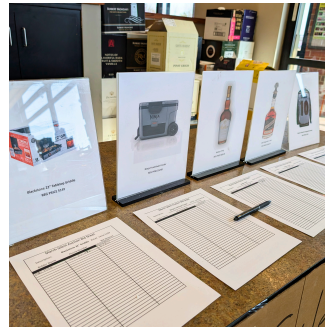
This month we are raising funds to benefit our local food shelves! Heritage has allocated bottles and swag for raffle and auction.

### Galaxie Location



Stage one is complete at Galaxie for floor replacement. The second half should be completed later this week. Looking good!

### Kenrick Location



It's that time again! Kenrick's silent auction to benefit 360 Communities is live. Everything from Wild jerseys to rare bottles!

### Keokuk Location



Keokuk is kicking off their silent auction, round 1 to benefit 360 Communities and the Open Door Pantry!



## Rumple Minze Cinnamon Whiskey

Rumple Minze Cinnamon Whiskey fuses the icy peppermint that made it legendary with a fiery cinnamon kick. Smooth, bold and unapologetic - it's perfect for first toasts, last calls or fearless cocktails. Serve chilled, over ice or straight up. Available in 750ML and 50ML.

# Metrics

January 1 - March 2 Sales Summary				Change in %
Heritage	\$781,146	2025	\$763,146	Increase 2.4%
Galaxie	\$857,768	2025	\$851,154	FLAT +
Kenrick	\$667,672	2025	\$655,907	Increase 1.8%
Keokuk	\$728,207	2025	\$711,978	Increase 2.3%
Combined	\$3,034,792	2025	\$2,983,026	Increase 1.7%
January 1 - March 2 Customer Count				Change in %
Heritage	26,986	2025	27,638	Decrease 2.4%
Galaxie	31,124	2025	31,886	Decrease 2.4%
Kenrick	24,667	2025	24,538	FLAT +
Keokuk	23,591	2025	23,553	FLAT +
Combined	106,368	2025	107,615	Decrease 1.2%
January 1 - March 2 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %
Heritage	\$28.67	2025	\$27.66	Increase 3.7%
Galaxie	\$27.17	2025	\$26.70	Increase 1.8%
Kenrick	\$26.84	2025	\$26.75	FLAT +
Keokuk	\$30.70	2025	\$30.25	Increase 1.5%
Combined	\$28.25	2025	\$27.74	Increase 1.8%

February 1 - 28 Sales Summary				Change in %
Heritage	\$375,845	2025	\$366,882	Increase 2.0%
Galaxie	\$402,101	2025	\$402,896	FLAT -
Kenrick	\$322,245	2025	\$311,443	Increase 3.5%
Keokuk	\$351,095	2025	\$344,823	Increase 1.8%
Combined	\$1,451,286	2025	\$1,426,044	Increase 1.8%
February 1 - 28 Customer Count				Change in %
Heritage	12,746	2025	13,107	Decrease 2.8%
Galaxie	14,521	2025	15,028	Decrease 3.4%
Kenrick	11,764	2025	11,530	Increase 2.0%
Keokuk	11,243	2025	11,296	FLAT -
Combined	50,274	2025	50,961	Decrease 1.4%
February 1 - 28 Sales Per Transaction				Change in %
Heritage	\$29.49	2025	\$27.99	Increase 5.4%
Galaxie	\$27.69	2025	\$26.81	Increase 3.3%
Kenrick	\$27.36	2025	\$27.01	Increase 1.4%
Keokuk	\$31.23	2025	\$30.53	Increase 2.3%
Combined	\$28.87	2025	\$27.98	Increase 3.1%

- Awesome finish to February! Congratulations to Kenrick for being positive in all three metrics! Keep the momentum rolling into March!
- **SAVE THE DATE** : All-Staff Mandatory Safe Server Training, **March 15, 2026, 9 - 10:30 a.m.** in The Emporium Room. All non-exempt staff will be paid for their time.

**Lori Greiner**

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"If you are lucky enough to be successful, you have a responsibility to give back."

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# Thrive!

## Lakeville Business Updates

March 2026 - Vol. 10, No. 3

*Lakeville, Minnesota - Positioned to Thrive*

The Thrive! Business Newsletter is intended to provide timely information on new and expanding businesses, information on community business events and monthly development statistics for the City of Lakeville.

### *Lakeville Development News*

**The Crossing at Ritter Meadows** held a ribbon cutting and open house on February 10. This new luxury rental townhome community is located near Walmart and the model home and leasing office can be found at 20457 Keystone Avenue.



**Ivy Lane Boutique** held a ribbon cutting on February 13. The women's boutique can be found at 17707 Kenwood Trail and offers clothing, home decor and accessories.



**E + M Company** recently opened in its new location at 20730 Holyoke Avenue, Suite 105. The women's boutique is located in downtown Lakeville and offers clothing and accessories.

Building permits were recently issued to:

- **Caliber Collision** for an interior build-out at 9583 217th Street West.
- **Grow Pediatrics** for a tenant finish at 5378 160th Street West.
- **Lakeville Soccer Club** for a tenant build-out at 21300 Juniper Way.

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**LAKEVILLE**  
Chamber of Commerce  
& Tourism

**MARCH 21**

# LAKEVILLE HOME, LANDSCAPE & COMMUNITY EXPO

**9AM-3PM**  
Lakeville North High School



**Lakeville Lions Free Screening Zone (all ages)**

- Foot & Gait Analysis
- Body Composition
- A1C Diabetes
- Hearing (adults & kids)
- Vision (adults & kids)
- Learn your blood type

Screenings subject to change.

Presenting Sponsor:



**HERO**  
- HOME SERVICES -

PLUMBING · HEATING · COOLING · ELECTRICAL

**Young Entrepreneur Section: YES!**

Teenagers will be selling products and services!  
(18 and under, for space: [Kim@LakevilleChamber.org](mailto:Kim@LakevilleChamber.org))

YES! Sponsor:  
**DOWN TOWN BICYCLES**  
NORTHFIELD, MINNESOTA  
LAKEVILLE, MINNESOTA



**150+ Exhibitors**

**ALL DAY** free coffee  
**10:30-2:30** concessions



Coffee courtesy of Lakeville Lions.

## Short-Term Rental Ordinance Receives Update

During the February 17 meeting, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 1120 to amend Lakeville's City Code regulating short-term rentals.

The City of Lakeville is committed to maintaining the quality of life of its residents and has a compelling interest in protecting the character of its residential neighborhoods. The newly adopted **Title 9, Chapter 10 of city code** is to ensure that the short-term rental of a permitted dwelling unit is conducted, operated, and maintained so as not to become a nuisance to the surrounding neighborhood, an influence that fosters blight and deterioration, or creates a disincentive to reinvest in the community. The ordinance includes restrictions on items such as number of guests, parking, outdoor use, noise, etc.

Learn more about the new ordinance or apply for a Short-Term Rental Administrative Permit by visiting [LakevilleMN.gov/ShortTermRentals](http://LakevilleMN.gov/ShortTermRentals).



**GOOD NEIGHBOR POLICY** FOR SHORT-TERM RENTALS  
*We appreciate your cooperation and respect of your neighbors. Enjoy your stay.*

- CITY CODES**  
In order to maintain the character of our residential neighborhoods, the City prohibits the creation of nuisances.  
Several provisions from Lakeville's nuisance ordinance are highlighted here.  
If you have any questions about the City's nuisance ordinance, please call 952-985-4400.
- NOISE** 🗣️  
Noise shall not carry beyond property lines. Reduced noise levels enforced between 10 p.m. and 7 a.m.
- PARKING** 🚗  
All rental vehicles must be parked within the garage or driveway.  
On-street guest vehicles are prohibited from 2 a.m. to 8 a.m.  
No trucks or trailers of any kind.
- GARBAGE** 🗑️  
Waste shall not be stored outside of approved containers.  
All waste containers shall be stored within the garage, except on the day of collection.
- ANIMAL CONTROL** 🐕  
For the peace and safety of all residents, the City requires pet owners to be responsible for their pets.  
Pet waste must be bagged and placed in garbage containers.  
Pets must be controlled by a leash unless in fenced, designated areas.  
Habitual barking or crying of a pet is not allowed to be audible beyond the rental premises.
- OUTDOOR USE** 🏕️  
No special events, loud parties, camping, fireworks, or discharge of firearms is allowed.

CITY OF LAKEVILLE | QUESTIONS 952.985.4400 | LAKEVILLEMN.GOV/SHORTTERMENTAL

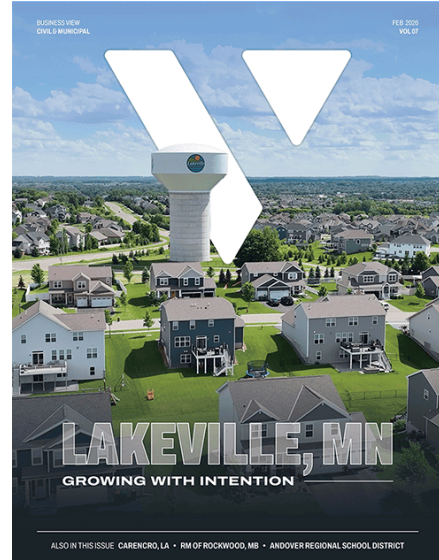
## Lakeville Featured in Business View Magazine

The City of Lakeville is featured in the February 2026 issue of Business View Magazine.

Mayor Hellier and city staff were interviewed for the feature that highlights Lakeville's growth, historic downtown, greenway trails and community parks, Airlake Industrial Park, as well as the wide variety of housing types Lakeville offers.

Articles like this provide the City an opportunity to showcase our community to a nationwide audience, as well as encourage further commercial and industrial development.

Read the article at [BusinessViewMagazine.com](https://www.businessviewmagazine.com).



# STATE OF THE CITY

## APRIL 8

**11:30 AM** **CHART HOUSE**  
Lunch included with ticket | 11287 Klamath Trail Lakeville

### PRESENTING SPONSORS



### SPOTLIGHT SPONSORS



### SUPPORTING SPONSORS

Frandsen Bank & Trust  
Minnesota Energy Resources  
Minnesota Occupational Health.

## Building Permits Report

The City has issued building permits with a total valuation of \$52,279,122 through February. This compares to a total valuation of \$27,660,423 for building permits issued through February 2025.

The City issued permits for 43 single-family homes through February with a total valuation of \$14,196,502. This compares to 44 single-family home permits through February 2025 with a total valuation of \$16,051,733.

The City has also issued 45 townhome permits with a total valuation of \$12,339,979 through February, compared to 40 townhome permits with a total valuation of \$9,730,274 during the same period in 2025.

Three apartment permits for Wildwood Townhome development have been issued through February, totaling 35 units and valued at \$5,472,728.

Lakeville ranked #1 in Twin Cities residential building permits according to Housing First Minnesota. [Visit LakevilleMN.gov for more information on year-to-date building permit totals.](#)

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# February 2026 Building Activity

## Past Twelve Months

	Permits	Permitted Units	Permit Value
February 2025	216	220	88,196,996
March 2025	383	637	152,402,205
April 2025	617	908	190,034,368
May 2025	593	612	264,458,948
June 2025	546	730	264,343,242
July 2025	505	509	205,135,513
August 2025	556	902	280,575,295
September 2025	634	919	269,670,991
October 2025	630	788	245,543,964
November 2025	525	607	225,312,716
December 2025	375	382	157,731,419
January 2026	459	766	234,579,452
February 2026	370	523	174,800,733

## Five-Year Comparisons

	Permits	Permitted Units	Permit Value
February 2022	460	698	158,284,918
February 2023	227	1,156	150,284,918
February 2024	472	957	198,195,351
February 2025	216	220	88,196,996
February 2026	370	523	174,800,733

	Permits	Permitted Units	Permit Value
YTD 2022	1,097	2,677	508,042,763
YTD 2023	566	2,203	474,507,607
YTD 2024	837	1,498	367,208,614
YTD 2025	681	894	304,242,728
YTD 2026	829	1,289	409,380,185

## Total Multifamily Units

Mar-25	April-25	May-25	Jun-25	July-25	Aug-25	Sept-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	YTD - 26
257	300	22	189	6	350	291	172	91	13	313	159	472

## Multifamily Construction as a Percentage of Total Activity

Mar-25	April-25	May-25	Jun-25	July-25	Aug-25	Sept-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Dec-25	Jan-26	Feb-26	YTD -26
40	33	4	26	1	39	32	22	15	3	41	30	37

## Top Cities for Building Activity

February				YTD			
Permits		Permitted Units		Permits		Permitted Units	
Rosemount	45	Hudson (WI)	95	Lakeville	89	Edina	293
Lakeville	35	Lakeville	46	Rosemount	84	Lakeville	121
Maple Grove	21	Buffalo	45	Lino Lakes	40	Hudson (WI)	99
Corcoran	19	Rosemount	45	Shakopee	39	Rosemount	84
Shakopee	18	Maple Grove	21	Otsego	39	Buffalo	45
		Corcoran	19				

Housing First Minnesota has contracted with Keystone Report, a local research firm, to maintain a database with information about new residential construction permits around the metropolitan area. After a builder has picked up the permit from a city, Keystone Report compiles and updates weekly residential housing permits by city for 70 percent of the metropolitan-area municipalities in the greater 13-county region. Planned units are the total number of housing units planned to be built under the permits issued (one permits is issued per building which may include more than one housing unit). Permit value does not include the land/lot costs.