

**Agenda**  
**Courtland City Council**  
**Thursday, April 2, 2026 7:00pm**  
**Courtland City Hall**  
**329 Main Street**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call-Attendance
3. Additions/Approval of the Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes- Regular CC
5. Presentation and Payment of Bills
6. Visitors
  - Jessica Kloeckl
7. Reports
  - A. Public Utilities
  - B. Mayor and Council
  - C. Streets Committee
  - D. Planning Commission – No Meeting
  - E. City Clerk
8. Unfinished Business
9. New Business
  - Resolution 26-104 Resolution Authorizing NWTF Raffle\_Bingo Event
10. Adjournment

**Mission of the City of Courtland**

**We envision Courtland as a city with managed growth which offers a high quality of life for individuals, families and businesses at an affordable cost.**

City Council Minutes

Regular Meeting

March 5, 2026

Members Present: Council Member Pam Rodewald  
Council Member Nathan Marti  
Council Member Greg Juberien  
Council Member Justin Kraus

Members Absent: Mayor Al Poehler

Others Present: Julie Holm Dave Ubel Mark Fiemeyer Samantha Janni Alex Marti

The regular city council meeting was called to order by Acting Mayor Rodewald at 7:00 pm on March 5, 2026 in the Council chambers in City Hall.

**Kraus made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Marti seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.**

**Marti made a motion to approve February 5, 2026, regular Council meeting minutes. Juberien seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.**

**Juberien made a motion to approve monthly bills. Marti seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.**

CHECK#	VENDOR	DATE	\$AMT	DESCRIPTION
EFT	IRS	02/19/26	\$1,085.36	federal payroll taxes
EFT	MN DEPT OF REVENUE	02/19/26	\$121.00	mn payroll taxes
EFT	PERA	02/19/26	\$671.78	PERA contributions
EFT	CITY OF COURTLAND	02/25/26	\$289.57	fire hall, comm center, main shed, city office utilities
23474	Holm, Julie	02/19/26	\$1,182.96	Payroll 02/01-02/14/26
23475	Ubel, David	02/19/26	\$1,556.93	Payroll 02/01-02/14/26
23476	Voges, Jessie	02/19/26	\$898.18	Payroll 02/01-02/14/26
23477	CITY OF NEW ULM	02/19/26	\$7,710.33	flow to new ulm
23478	LUEPKE OIL & TRUCKING LLC	02/19/26	\$139.54	gas-dave
23479	MN LIFE INS COMPANY	02/19/26	\$4.50	dave life insurance prem
23480	MN RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION	02/19/26	\$350.00	attend annual conference - dave
23481	MN State Fire Chiefs Assoc	02/19/26	\$506.00	membership renewal
23482	UNITED NATURAL GAS	02/19/26	\$2,396.20	main shed, firehall, wtr plant, city office natural gas
23483	ZIEGLER INC	02/19/26	\$77.26	coupling, hose for loader
EFT	IRS	03/05/26	\$1,058.99	federal payroll taxes
EFT	MN DEPT OF REVENUE	03/05/26	\$199.00	mn payroll taxes
EFT	PERA	03/05/26	\$657.85	PERA contributions
EFT	COMCAST, INC	03/05/26	\$101.96	main st office internet
EFT	MICROSOFT	03/08/26	\$17.71	office 365 subscription
23484	Holm, Julie	03/05/26	\$1,039.81	Payroll 02/15-02/28/26
23485	Ubel, David	03/05/26	\$1,556.93	Payroll 02/15-02/28/26
23486	Voges, Jessie	03/05/26	\$1,008.87	Payroll 02/15-02/28/26
23487	BADGER METER	03/05/26	\$66.22	beacon web program support meter reading 386 units
23488	BOLTON & MENK, INC	03/05/26	\$3,797.50	ArcGIS online migration
23489	CLEARWAY COMMUNITY SOLAR LLC	03/05/26	\$682.09	solar subscription
23490	CLIFTONLARSONALLEN	03/05/26	\$8,400.00	audit services YE2025
23491	COURTLAND MART	03/05/26	\$336.70	gas-dave
23492	COURTLAND RURAL FIRE ASSOC	03/05/26	\$7,475.00	2026 budget contribution, 2025 budget shortfall(550)

23493	ECOWATER SYSTEMS OF NEW ULM	03/05/26	\$18.25 softner salt for fire hall
23494	LMC	03/05/26	\$893.45 regional safety groups training
23495	LOFFLER	03/05/26	\$70.06 mfp maintenance, color copies
23496	MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	03/05/26	\$856.00 1st Qtr 2026 service connection fee
23497	NOZCO, INC	03/05/26	\$1,083.64 main st office window repair
23498	Nuvera	03/05/26	\$621.23 office,fire hall ph&intnet,lifts,wells,wtr twr,wtr plnt intnet
23499	PRINTWEAR GRAPHICS	03/05/26	\$739.80 city banners
23500	REDWOOD FIRE EXTINGUISHER	03/05/26	\$192.00 water plant CO2 extinguishers
23501	XCEL ENERGY	03/05/26	\$3,286.07 fire hall, comm center, main shed, city office utilities

\$51,148.74

Public Utilities: Dave Ubel reports updates on lift station ongoing issues. Dave has been making repairs but as reported in past meetings, all three original lift stations are in need of major repairs or replacement. Shady Oak Drive lift station needs estimated repairs of \$61,448. Stony Point lift station needs estimated repairs of \$26,625. Main lift station estimated repairs of \$6,552, this station has replaced pumps several years ago. All stations need new control panels for a total of \$143,000. Total needs are \$237,630. Council approved two panel replacement last summer, this has not been done yet. These systems are original from 1998. Dave will look into additional bids for comparison. Councilmember Rodewald will get additional names for Dave to contact. There are additional costs that are outside these equipment replacements that will also need to happen.

**Juberien made a motion to approve up to \$240,000 for lift station repairs/replacement pending review of additional bids. Kraus seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Dave reports on tracing if there is water leak as reported last month. Dave attended MRWA conference this week and talked with several people on different ways to find what is happening.

Dave reports on community center wall repairs. The door was not installed as when it was opened on site it was wrong size and color. The paperwork submitted for order is correct, the wrong door was sent. A temporary door will be installed as it will be two weeks before the correct door will be here and the fish fry is happening before that.

Mayor Report: NONE – Absent

Council reports: Councilmember Rodewald commented on email she sent out regarding response to discussion last month regarding questions brought up if Reve Coffee could be parked in residential driveway during garage sales. Discussion on what went into the adoption of the ordinance and where they will be allowed. Additional discussion on allowing for special events. Previously Reve Coffee has been invited to events at Community Center.

Street Committee: NONE

Planning Commission notes: Commissioners discussed changing meeting only as needed, only when there are agenda items for discussion. Clerk Holm notes she will post on city website the change and that in the future items for agenda must received 10 days prior to meeting, if nothing is received, the meeting is cancelled for the month.

City Clerk: Holm reports she will be out of the office March 24-27 for clerks conference. Holm will monitor emails and voicemail and respond as necessary.

Municipality Liability Tort Waiver is presented. Each year with renewal of municipality insurance, the council must chose waiver of monetary limits on municipal tort liability.

**Kraus made a motion to waive the Municipal Liability Tort limit. Marti seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Resolution 26-102 Accepting Donation to the City – Courtland Lions is presented for approval.

**Marti made a motion to approve Resolution 26-102 Accepting Donation to the City – Courtland Lions. Kraus seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 26-102**

**CITY OF COURTLAND, NICOLLET COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A DONATION TO THE CITY.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Courtland is generally authorized to accept donations of real and personal property pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 465.03 for the benefit of its citizens, and is specifically authorized to accept gifts.

**WHEREAS**, a person or entity has offered to contribute the below to the city:

\$1,200 for Street Banners

**WHEREAS**, all such donations have been contributed to the city for the benefit of its citizens, as allowed by law; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that it is appropriate to accept the donations offered.

**NOW THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COURTLAND, NICOLLET COUNTY MINNESOTA AS FOLLOWS:

1. The donations described above are accepted and shall be used as allowed by law.
2. The city clerk is hereby directed to issue receipts to each donor acknowledging the city's receipt of the donor's donation.

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Courtland this 5th day of March, 2026.

Signed: Pam Rodewald, Acting Mayor                      Attest: Julie Holm, City Clerk

Resolution 26-103 Resolution to Adopt the 2025 Nicollet County Hazard Mitigation Plan is presented for approval.  
**Kraus made a motion to approve Resolution 26-103 Resolution to Adopt the 2025 Nicollet County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Juberien seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 26-103**

**CITY OF COURTLAND, NICOLLET COUNTY, MINNESOTA**  
**RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2025 NICOLLET COUNTY**  
**HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Courtland recognizes the threat of natural hazards to people and property within the City of Courtland; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Courtland has participated in the development of the 2025 Nicollet County Hazard Mitigation Plan in accordance with Federal laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended; the National Flood Insurance act of 1968, as amended; and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2025 Nicollet County Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property within the City of Courtland from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, by adoption by the City of Courtland demonstrates its commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the 2025 Nicollet County Hazard Mitigation Plan,

**WHEREAS**, approval of the 2025 Nicollet County Hazard Mitigation Plan by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will make Nicollet County and participating jurisdictions eligible to apply for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Assistance grants; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the City of Courtland supports the hazard mitigation planning effort and wishes to adopt the 2025 Nicollet County Hazard Mitigation Plan.

This Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Mayor and attested to by the City Clerk this 5th day of March, 2026.

Approved: Pam Rodewald, Acting Mayor      ATTEST: Julie Holm, City Clerk

Clerk Holm presents Courtland Recreation Association 2026-2027 Liquor License for approval.

**Kraus made a motion to approve Courtland Recreation Association 2026-2027 Liquor License. Marti seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.**

**Marti made a motion to adjourn. Rodewald seconded the motion. Motion carried with all in favor.**

Meeting adjourned 8:00pm

A signed written copy of the minutes is on file in the office of the city clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie Holm".

Julie Holm, City Clerk

**From:** Jessica Kloeckl <j\_ann110@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 27, 2026 8:55 AM  
**To:** courtlandcouncil.jkraus@gmail.com; courtlandcouncil.rodewald@gmail.com;  
Courtlandmayor.poehler@gmail.com; gregoryjuberien@yahoo.com;  
hugeholstein@yahoo.com; City of Courtland; jkraus28@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Suggested Changes for Mobile Food Truck Ordinance  
**Attachments:** Map for Food Truck.jpg; Suggested Food Truck Park.jpg; Original Email.pdf

Attn: Courtland City Council Members

Thank you for taking the time to read this. I am reaching out regarding Courtland's Mobile Food Truck Ordinance. I plan to attend the Council Meeting on April 2, but wanted to share these thoughts in advance to allow time for your review.

I would like to point out that my comments and requests are not on behalf of any specific mobile food truck, nor do I have any personal financial interest in these proposed changes. I assist with organizing the City-Wide Garage Sales, and when we reached out to a mobile food truck about setting up during the event, I became frustrated by the limited number of locations where they are permitted to set up.

As part of my research, I contacted the City of New Ulm and was surprised to learn that their mobile food truck ordinance is less restrictive than Courtland's. The city employee I spoke with indicated that a simpler policy encourages more mobile food trucks to operate in their community, providing added value to both the city and its residents.

I am proposing that the City Council consider the following modifications to the current ordinance:

**Ordinance (B)(2)(a): Location of Mobile Food Trucks**

The current ordinance requires mobile food trucks to be located at least 500 feet from the property line of any business with a food license.

Based on the attached map, due to the layout of our city, this restriction leaves little to no opportunity for food trucks to operate in central, high-traffic areas and instead pushes them to less accessible locations.

**My suggestion:**

- Remove the 500-foot restriction.
- Refer to the attached "Suggested Food Truck Map."
- The City is already aware of when the Rec Hall is in use; during those times, food trucks would not be permitted to set up in that area.
- This approach provides ample parking and keeps vendors out of main traffic flow while still allowing accessibility.

**Ordinance (B)(2)(i)(1): Signage Restrictions**

The current ordinance states that mobile food vendors may not use any signage not directly attached to the vehicle or trailer. Signs may not extend above or more than six inches from the unit, and flashing or intermittent lighting is prohibited.

**My suggestion:**

- Allow vendors to place temporary signage to advertise their presence, provided it does not create a safety concern.
- Signage is already permitted in many other contexts throughout the city, so it would be helpful to revisit the reasoning behind this restriction.

I have also attached my original letter, which provides additional context and reasoning for these proposed changes.

Thank you again for your time and consideration. I look forward to discussing this further in person.

Jessica Kloeckl



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I'm reaching out regarding Courtland's Mobile Food Truck code. After reading through the rules in full, I was honestly surprised at how regulated it is — especially when I compare it to what New Ulm allows.

I completely understand wanting to protect our local businesses, including the gas station and the restaurants. But I think being this restrictive on food trucks may actually hurt our community more than help it. Realistically, the chances of Courtland getting another brick-and-mortar restaurant are pretty slim. There isn't really a location that makes sense without a major investment, and it would be tough for a town our size to consistently support another full-time restaurant.

Food trucks, on the other hand, would give residents more options and could help bring people into town.

For example:

- If a coffee truck is here, someone might stay in Courtland instead of driving to New Ulm or Mankato. While they're here, maybe they also fill up at the gas station instead of doing both stops in another town.
- If a taco truck is in town, someone outside Courtland might make the drive. While they're here, maybe they grab snacks at the gas station for their kids or stop at one of the bars afterward. Food trucks usually have a loyal customer base, and it isn't uncommon for their followers to tag along!

That kind of traffic helps everyone.

I'm asking you all to reconsider specifically (2) things:

Distance restrictions from other restaurants - New Ulm doesn't restrict location unless there's a safety concern. Because of how our town is laid out, the current distance requirements make it really hard for food trucks to set up anywhere visible or practical.

Allowing signage - If signs are placed safely — not blocking traffic or visibility at intersections — I'm not sure why this is such a concern. We allow signs around town all the time for garage sales, events, and other activities.

Most food trucks have unique menus that don't directly compete with what we already have. The odds of them setting up every single day and competing head-to-head with local businesses are very low. More often than not, they would be here for events or occasional visits.

With Highway 14 bypassing Courtland, I think anything that gives people a reason to come into town is a good thing. Right now, the ordinance feels overly regulated and not very business- or resident-friendly.

Also, when we have vendor fairs at the Rec Hall, food is sold. How is that different? Or when someone advertises homemade baked foods for sale? I'd just like to better understand the distinction.

I'd be more than happy to come before the Council to talk through this. I truly think adjusting the code could be a positive move for our community.

*Thank you,*

Jessica Kloeckl

RESOLUTION 26-104

RESOLUTION APPROVING RAFFLE DRAWING AND BINGO EVENT

The City of Courtland on the second day of April 2026 approves the request from DerDeutsch Longbeards NWTF to allow a drawing for a Raffle and conduct a Bingo Event to be held on January 30, 2027 at the Courtland Community Center.

Adopted by the City Council for the City of Courtland unanimously on the 2nd day of April 2026.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Al Poehler, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Julie Holm, City Clerk

# LG220 Application for Exempt Permit

An exempt permit may be issued to a nonprofit organization that:

- conducts lawful gambling on five or fewer days, and
- awards less than \$50,000 in prizes during a calendar year.

If total raffle prize value for the calendar year will be \$1,500 or less, contact the Licensing Specialist assigned to your county by calling 651-539-1900.

## Application Fee (non-refundable)

Applications are processed in the order received. If the application is postmarked or received 30 days or more before the event, the application fee is **\$100**; otherwise the fee is **\$150**.

Due to the high volume of exempt applications, payment of additional fees prior to 30 days before your event will not expedite service, nor are telephone requests for expedited service accepted.

## ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Organization Name: Der Deutsche Longbeards Previous Gambling Permit Number: X- 04983

Minnesota Tax ID Number, if any: 570 564 993 Federal Employer ID Number (FEIN), if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: 14586 County Road 102

City: New Ulm State: MN Zip: 56073 County: Brown

Name of Chief Executive Officer (CEO): Joy R. Haun

CEO Daytime Phone: 507-766-1242 CEO Email: schmidt haun 96@gmail.com  
(permit will be emailed to this email address unless otherwise indicated below)

Email permit to (if other than the CEO): \_\_\_\_\_

## NONPROFIT STATUS

Type of Nonprofit Organization (check one):

Fraternal     Religious     Veterans     Other Nonprofit Organization

### Attach a copy of one of the following showing proof of nonprofit status:

(DO NOT attach a sales tax exempt status or federal employer ID number, as they are not proof of nonprofit status.)

**A current-calendar year Certificate of Good Standing**  
Don't have a copy? Obtain this certificate from:  
MN Secretary of State, Business Services Division  
60 Empire Drive, Suite 100  
St. Paul, MN 55103  
Secretary of State website, phone numbers:  
[www.sos.state.mn.us](http://www.sos.state.mn.us)  
651-296-2803, or toll free 1-877-551-6767

**IRS income tax exemption (501(c)) letter in your organization's name**  
Don't have a copy? To obtain a copy of your federal income tax exempt letter, have an organization officer contact the IRS toll free at 1-877-829-5500.

**IRS - Affiliate of national, statewide, or international parent nonprofit organization (charter)**  
If your organization falls under a parent organization, attach copies of both of the following:  
1. IRS letter showing your parent organization is a nonprofit 501(c) organization with a group ruling; and  
2. the charter or letter from your parent organization recognizing your organization as a subordinate.

## GAMBLING PREMISES INFORMATION

Name of premises where the gambling event will be conducted (for raffles, list the site where the drawing will take place): Courtland Community Center

Physical Address (do not use P.O. box): 300 Railroad Street

Check one:

City: Courtland Zip: 56021 County: Nicollet

Township: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of activity (for raffles, indicate the date of the drawing): January 30, 2027

Check each type of gambling activity that your organization will conduct:

Bingo     Paddlewheels     Pull-Tabs     Tipboards     Raffle

**Gambling equipment** for bingo paper, bingo boards, raffle boards, paddlewheels, pull-tabs, and tipboards must be obtained from a distributor licensed by the Minnesota Gambling Control Board. EXCEPTION: Bingo hard cards and bingo ball selection devices may be borrowed from another organization authorized to conduct bingo. To find a licensed distributor, go to [www.mn.gov/gcb](http://www.mn.gov/gcb) and click on **Distributors** under the **List of Licensees** tab, or call 651-539-1900.