



CITY OF  
**LONG LAKE**

## City Council Agenda Report

### **City of Long Lake**

450 Virginia Avenue, PO Box 606

Long Lake, MN 55356

**MEETING DATE / May 21, 2024**

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**SUBJECT:** Accept Resignation of Public Works Lead Maintenance Worker Don “Luke” Laakkonen

**Prepared By:** Jeanette Moeller, City Clerk

**Report Date:** 5/15/2024

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### Recommended City Council Action

Staff (regrettably) recommends the following:

Motion to accept the resignation of Public Works Lead Maintenance Worker Don “Luke” Laakkonen.

### Overview / Background

Don “Luke” Laakkonen was appointed as a Maintenance Worker for the City of Long Lake by the City Council on April 16, 1985, and began his employment on May 1, 1985. After 39 years of truly outstanding service, his last day of employment will be Wednesday, July 31. His letter of retirement from his position with the City dated May 6, 2024 is attached for formal acceptance by the City Council.

Luke has always been a “go-to” guy ... he’s the one you know you can ask for help, and he’ll be right there to help you, or will even beat you to the punch and do it for you. He’s quiet, but when you get him talking, he has a great sense of humor even on the tough days. He works hard, he’s reliable and steady, and he’s been patient and willing even when we’re doing our best to make him crazy. Losing that steel trap memory of his and all those years of accumulated knowledge that have benefited us daily will be a difficult change for us to adjust to.

We will deeply miss Luke, and wish him every happiness in his retirement! May the fishing be plentiful wherever he goes.

### Supporting Information

- Retirement letter submitted by Public Works Lead Maintenance Worker Don “Luke” Laakkonen