

The City Council of the City of Bayard, Morrill County, State of Nebraska, met in a regular session in the Council Chambers August 12, 2025. City of Bayard, 445 Main Street, Bayard, Nebraska, 69334. Notice of the meeting having been published in the Bayard Transcript on August 6, 2025. An agenda for the meeting was made available to each of the Council Members prior to the meeting. Present were Council Members: Chris Baird, Marty Marquez, Jamie Hernandez, and Diane Kraus. Absent: Mayor Scot Ouderkirk and Council Members Garrett Schukei and Tanner Henkel. There being a quorum of council members present; Council President Marquez called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Council President Marquez presided over the meeting and noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is located in City Council Chambers and available to the public. City Clerk/Treasurer Bowlin recorded the minutes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council member Baird made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Baird, Hernandez, Kraus, and Marquez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

CHIMNEY ROCK PIONEER DAYS

Council member Baird moved to approve allowing Avenue A from 5th to 6th Street to be closed during Pioneer Days celebration and to allow Avenue B from 5th to 6th to be closed after noon on Saturday. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, and Baird. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

GENERATOR

Council member Kraus moved to approve Panhandle Power Systems to do the electrical installation of the generator at the fire hall in the amount of \$5,500.00. Seconded by council member Hernandez. ROLL CALL: AYES: Kraus, Marquez, Baird, and Hernandez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

MORRILL COUNTY DISPATCH

Council member Kraus moved to approve new contract with Morrill County for Dispatching Services for \$30,000 per year. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Marquez, Baird, Hernandez, and Kraus. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

CITY BILLS & CLAIMS

Council member Hernandez moved to approve all city bills and claims in the amount of \$199,746.75. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Baird, Hernandez, Kraus, and Marquez. NAYS: None A & A Porta-potty \$850.00, ARS \$75.00, Action \$111.75, Aflac \$2,495.70, Airgas \$90.54, AST \$53.90, Amazon \$513.89, AT&T \$380.80, Axon \$4,567.50, Bayard Automotive \$354.24, Benzel \$99.00, Black Hills \$472.91, Bluffs Sanitary \$33.73, Border States \$2,901.96, Capital Business System \$381.41, Mike Cerny \$80.97, Charter \$1,343.28, Chimney Rock PPD \$1,049.34, Chimney Rock Villa (UHC) \$10,410.65, City of Gering \$12,614.05, Gene Claver \$1,779.38, Connecting Point \$110.30, Crescent Electric \$10.01, Culligan \$256.00, Dollar General \$105.75, Douglas, Kelly, Ostdiek \$1,280.25, Drug Collections \$52.00, Enviro Service \$60.00, Equitable \$572.46, Filament \$2,400.00, Galls \$403.20, General Consolidated \$1,137.81, GreatAmericca \$149.99, Hawkins \$1,482.28, Ideal Linen \$231.73, Ingram \$863.29, Intralinks \$629.00, John Hancock \$2,710.60, K & P Welding \$263.50, Kuskie Oil \$1,346.59, Jermie Langlois \$222.88, LONM \$3,223.00, Stephanie Lebrecht \$92.88, Lincoln Life \$124.71, Menards \$623.116, Morrill Co Attorney \$150.00, Morrill Co Sheriff \$1,500.00, Motorola \$39,982.64, MEAN \$750.00, Municipal Supply \$367.82, NW Pipe \$221.37, Print Works \$160.53, PT Hose \$874.35, Quadient \$639.00, Rocky Mountain Air \$194.40, Elizabeth Svalina \$96.43, Team Chev \$1,247.07, Transcript \$390.96, US Bank \$2,819.03, Viaero \$54.78, WNTC \$125.00, WY First Aid \$54.95, Payroll \$91,107.03. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

CHIMNEY ROCK VILLA

Council member Baird moved to approve the Chimney Rock Villa Bills & Claims as presented in the amount of \$331,481.58. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, and Baird. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MONTHLY REPORTS

All department heads gave their reports.

- **UTILITY REPORT** – Put in new electrical, replaced water hydrant at ballfield, painted

concession stand, removed pool house and installed new fence, replaced water meter at East Lawn Manor, painted crosswalks.

- **POLICE REPORT** – 28 assist the public, 5 assist other agencies, 0 accident investigations, 7 citation violations, 30 warning violations, 5 complaints, 4 investigations.
- **LIBRARY REPORT** –There were 871 books checked out in the month of June, the computer was used 21 times, 144 books checked out through Overdrive, had end of summer party at Westmoor Pool, attended annual library meeting, Storytime will continue through August.
- **OFFICE REPORT** – Monthly reports, payroll, committee meetings, budget, utility billing
- **PARKS** – Sprayed weeds, replaced sprinkler heads, will be fertilizing in August, leveled parking areas and prepped softball field for school, put bleachers by softball field.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Kraus moved to approve the consent agenda which included minutes from July 8th Regular Meeting, July 22nd Budget Workshop, Treasurer's reports, Fire Department minutes, new hire police officer – Ricky Trevino - \$28.00, and budget forms. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Kraus, Marquez, Baird, and Hernandez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

LIBRARY BOARD

Council President Marquez moved to appoint Shawna Reish to the Library Board. ROLL CALL: AYES: Baird, Hernandez, Kraus, and Marquez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

KENO FUNDS

Council member Kraus moved to use Keno funds for new flags and flag poles in the amount of \$3,422.90. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Marquez, Baird, Hernandez, and Kraus. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Council President Marquez.

PUBLIC COMMENT

City Clerk Bowlin let everyone know about the Open House at Kelley Bean on Monday August 18; Aaron Nein from Titan Machinery came to introduce himself and let council know they can contact him with any questions about bids for machinery.

ADJOURNMENT

Council member Hernandez moved to adjourn at 7:42 P.M. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Marquez, Kraus, Hernandez, and Baird. NAYS: None. Meeting declared adjourned by Council President Marquez.

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Council President Marquez

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City Clerk/Treasurer