

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bayard, County Morrill, State of Nebraska, met in a regular session in the Council Chambers March 10, 2026. City of Bayard, 445 Main Street, Bayard, Nebraska, 69334. Notice of the meeting having been published in the Bayard Transcript on March 4, 2026. An agenda for the meeting was made available to the mayor and each of the Council Members prior to the meeting. Present was Mayor Scot Ouderkirk and Council Members: Chris Baird, Garrett Schukei, Jamie Hernandez, Tanner Henkel, and Diane Kraus. Absent: Council Member Marty Marquez. There being a quorum of council members present; Mayor Ouderkirk called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Ouderkirk 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, Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, and Schukei. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

LB840

Council member Hernandez moved to approve recommendation from LB840 committee for Bayard Laundromat in the amount of \$18,500 to be split \$14,500 grant and \$4,000 loan. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, Schukei, and Baird. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

BAYARD HOUSING BOARD

Council member Schukei made a motion to waive the three readings for Ordinance #894 Bayard Housing Authority Board. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Schukei, Baird, and Henkel. NAYS: None. Motion to suspend statutory requirements is adopted by three-fourths of the council, motion suspended by Mayor Ouderkirk.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BAYARD, NEBRASKA CREATING A HOUSING AGENCY BOARD AND ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS FOR SUCH BOARD; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ORDINANCE.

Council member Schukei made a motion for final passage of Ordinance #894 Bayard Housing Authority Board. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Kraus, Schukei, Baird, Henkel, and Hernandez. NAYS: None. Motion declared passed by Mayor Ouderkirk who declared ordinance passed, adopted and ordered it published.

Council member Kraus made a motion to approve the mayor's appointments to the Housing Authority Board of Ryan Dalbey and Kim Burry. Seconded by council member Hernandez. ROLL CALL: AYES: Schukei, Baird, Henkel, Hernandez, and Kraus. NAYS: None. Motion declared passed by Mayor Ouderkirk.

PRT APPOINTMENTS

Council member Hernandez moved to approve the mayor's appointments of Stephanie Perkins and Margaret Van Cleve onto the Problem Resolution Team Board. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Baird, Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, and Schukei. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

CITY BILLS & CLAIMS

Council member Hernandez moved to approve all city bills and claims in the amount of \$186,268.05. Seconded by council member Schukei. ROLL CALL: AYES: Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, Schukei, and Baird. NAYS: None. Aflac \$1,499.76, Airgas \$85.50, AST \$53.90, Amazon \$1,301.53, AT&T 425.67, Bayard Automotive \$420.98, BVFD \$65.00, Benzel \$198.58, Black Hills Energy \$3,058.45, Border States \$377.68, Brenda Krantz \$1,097.17, Capital Business Sys. \$146.78, Charter \$1,149.27, Chimney Rock PPD \$479.09, Chimney Rock Villa-UHC \$11,177.49, Gene Claver \$2,201.51, Connecting Point \$66.03, Cozad \$89.00, Culligan \$159.50, DAS State \$44.00, Dollar General \$90.50, Don's Services \$16,341.45, Douglas, Kelly, Ostdiek \$861.25, Enviro Service \$60.00, Equitable Financial \$590.81, Fluent \$1,100.00, FNBO CC \$1,485.84, Kevin Fowlkes \$16.50, Fyr-Tek \$454.00, Maria Garza \$326.94, Great Plains Uniforms \$1,500.00, GreatAmerica \$149.99, Hawkins \$1,613.25, Ideal Linen \$239.51, Ingram \$1,242.77, Intralinks \$1,369.00, Jack's Uniforms \$254.24, KSO \$21,732.21, Lincoln Life \$123.54, L-Tron \$183.50, Morrill Co Attorney \$150.00, Morrill Co Sheriff \$2,500.00, Motorola \$6,000.00, MEAN \$44,725.60, OPTK \$30.00, Quadient \$600.00, Railroad Mgmt \$830.10, Reganis \$1,369.82, Roberta Rummel \$38.12, Sandberg \$689.99, Snell \$1,036.17, Sunset Law \$431.60, Titan Machinery \$143.32, US Bank \$96.00, USPS \$332.00, Viaero \$27.67, Payroll \$53,435.47. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

CHIMNEY ROCK VILLA

Council member Kraus moved to approve the Chimney Rock Villa Bills & Claims as presented in the amount of \$316,134.08. Seconded by council member Hernandez. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Schukei, Baird, and Henkel. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MONTHLY REPORTS

All department heads gave their reports.

- **UTILITY REPORT** – Pot Hole Repair, put in pole for residential service, replace street lights, replace wire & clamp by Western Sugar.
- **POLICE REPORT** – 28 assist the public, 12 assist other agencies, 1 accident investigation, 7 citation violation, 17 warning violations, 6 complaints, and 4 investigations.
- **LIBRARY REPORT** – There were 672 books checked out in the month of February, the computer was used 17 times, 141 books checked out through Overdrive, received \$825.00 for Youth for Excellence grant, have been planning Summer Reading and Story Time.
- **OFFICE REPORT** – Monthly reports, payroll, Meetings, LB840, WNED Meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Baird moved to approve the consent agenda which included minutes from February 10, 2026 meeting; Treasurer's reports, fire department minutes and operational budget. Seconded by council member Hernandez. ROLL CALL: AYES: Kraus, Schukei, Baird, Henkel, and Hernandez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

RESOLUTION 1060

Council member Baird made a motion to approve Resolution 1060 authorizing the purchase of 302 Main Street building. Seconded by council member Henkel. ROLL CALL: AYES: Schukei, Baird, Henkel, Hernandez, and Kraus. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

ATM AGREEMENT

Council member Baird moved to approve the agreement with FNBO for the placement of ATM within the building at 302 Main Street. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Baird, Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, and Schukei. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

Council member Baird moved to approve the use of the agreement present with the change of having the agreement signed within 5 days and 60 days to have bill paid in full. Seconded by council member Schukei. ROLL CALL: AYES: Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, Schukei, and Baird. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

FREE DUMP DAY

Council member Baird moved to approve having free dump day on May 2nd from 8 AM to Noon. Seconded by council member Henkel. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Schukei, Baird, and Henkel. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Council member Hernandez moved to adjourn at 8:06 P.M. Seconded by council member Schukei. ROLL CALL: AYES: Kraus, Schukei, Baird, Henkel, and Hernandez. NAYS: None. Meeting declared adjourned by Mayor Ouderkirk.

S Bowlin
City Clerk/Treasurer

S Ouderkirk
Mayor