

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bayard, Morrill County, State of Nebraska, met in a regular session in the Council Chambers April 9, 2024. City of Bayard, 445 Main Street, Bayard, Nebraska, 69334. Notice of the meeting having been published in the Bayard Transcript on April 3, 2024. An agenda for the meeting was made available to the Mayor and each of the Council Members prior to the meeting. Present were Mayor Scot Ouderkirk and Council Members: Chris Baird, Sheila Dudden, Tanner Henkel Jamie Hernandez, Diane Kraus, and Marty Marquez. Absent: None. 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 Dudden made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Baird, Dudden, Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, and Marquez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

### **EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT & REQUEST FOR KENO FUNDS**

Logan Mascher came to council for approval of his Eagle Scout Project, he would like to put up a sign at Genoway's Hall that blew down in the tornado. He presented council with his plan to have a metal sign orange and black on wood posts. Council member Hernandez moved to approve using up to \$250.00 in Keno funds for Logan to complete this project. Seconded by council member Dudden. ROLL CALL: AYES: Dudden, Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, and Baird. NAYS: None. Motion declared approved by Mayor Ouderkirk.

### **LAND BANK**

Council member Dudden moved to withdraw from Western Nebraska Regional Land Bank Interlocal Agreement for forward progress on Land Bank for Morrill County. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, Baird, and Dudden. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

Michelle Coolidge was present for discussion that was held on what need to happen to finalize the Morrill County Land Bank and next steps.

### **CITY BILLS & CLAIMS**

Council member Baird moved to approve all city bills and claims in the amount of \$266,669.87. Seconded by council member Dudden. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, Baird, Dudden, and Henkel. NAYS: None. A&A Porta Potties \$150.00, Dontae Abbott \$15.00.00, Action communications \$603.39, Aflac \$1,431.02, AST \$53.90, Allied Benefits \$13,667.43, Amazon \$387.56, AT&T \$341.33, Bayard Automotive \$879.50, Benzel Pest \$89.68, Black Hills \$2,977.52, Capital Business System \$174.30, CenturyLink \$59.33, Mike Cerny \$3,098.75, Charter \$1,216.05, Chimney Rock PPD \$2,945.42, City of Gering \$12,575.37, Connecting Point \$82.23, Contractors \$1,050.00, Cozad \$317.50, Culligan \$113.00, Dollar General \$74.05, Douglas, Kelly, Ostdiek \$859.40, Drug Collections \$52.00, Enviro Service \$25.00, Flatwater Vet \$32.00, FNBO \$353.06, Fox Insurance \$100.00, Galls \$80.17, Great America \$149.99, Ideal Linen \$490.43, Infinity Construction \$1,017.30, Ingram \$1,327.54, Intralinks \$1,058.00, John Hancock \$1,544.46, Kuskie \$878.83, Lincoln Life \$125.88, Menards \$373.94, MicroMarketing \$114.58, Midwest Salt \$6,619.18, Morrill Co Attorney \$150.00, Morrill Co Sheriff \$1,500.00, Morrill Co Treasurer \$2,641.64, NDOT \$666.70, NE Child Support \$472.62, NE Public Health \$16.00, NE Secretary of State \$30.00, Nippon \$749.37, One Call \$34.28, OPTK \$60.00, Prevention \$48.00, Quadient \$1,367.26, Rocky Mountain Air \$159.55, Scb Bldg \$218.00, Scb Lied Library \$15.00, Simmons Olsen \$500.00, POAN \$20.00, Titan \$127,904.00, Transcript \$7952.06, US Bank \$890.63, Westco \$1,691.33, Payroll \$47,094.34. **Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.**

### **CHIMNEY ROCK VILLA**

Council member Hernandez moved to approve the Chimney Rock Villa Bills & Claims as presented in the amount of \$261,454.00. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Kraus, Marquez, Baird, Dudden, Henkel, and Hernandez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD MONTHLY REPORTS**

All department heads gave their reports.

- **UTILITY REPORT** – Changed Street lights, cleaning and organizing shop, moved an electrical service, water treatment plant, filled potholes, worked on electrical outage.

- **POLICE REPORT** – 36 Assist the public, 15 assist other agencies, 1 accident investigations, 4 citation violations, 5 warning violations, 11 complaints, 6 investigations. Next Tuesday should have computer finalized with software; have a part-time officer filling a few shifts.
- **LIBRARY REPORT** – There were 814 books checked out in the month of March, the computer was used 14 times, 127 books checked out through Overdrive, received \$200.00 in Summer Reading Donations so far; continuing to work on Strategic Plan for Library; Emma has been planning each week for Summer Reading.
- **OFFICE REPORT** – Monthly reports, payroll, Committee Meetings; Softball Contract Meeting; Planning Spring Dump and Vet Clinic
- **PARKS** – Jeff has been back for a week; all machines are maintained and working has sprayed pre-emergent on all grounds; and spayed parking lots for weed kill; working on fencing that has been taken down for water leak.
- **FIRE DEPARTMENT** – No Report

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Council member Baird moved to approve the consent agenda which included minutes from March 12th Meeting; Treasurer's reports, operational budget, and New Hire – Jordan Deaver Utility Tech \$20.00. Seconded by council member Dudden. ROLL CALL: AYES: Marquez, Baird, Dudden, Henkel, Hernandez, and Kraus. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

### **WATER TREATMENT PLANT PUMP**

Council member Kraus moved to approve purchase of second new Patterson pump for the Water Treatment Plant in the amount of \$23,750.00 plus the cost of freight. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Baird, Dudden, Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, and Marquez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

### **MOSQUITO SPRAY**

Council member Dudden moved to approve purchase of eight (8) barrels of mosquito from Van Diest for \$32.00 per gallon. Seconded by council member Kraus. ROLL CALL: AYES: Dudden, Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, and Baird. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

### **ORDINANCE #875**

Council member Hernandez moved to waive the three reading for Ordinance #875 Prohibiting Directional Boring. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, Baird, and Dudden. NAYS: None. Motion declared Waived by Mayor Ouderkirk.

Council member Baird moved to approve Ordinance #875 Prohibiting Directional Boring. Seconded by council member Dudden. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, Baird, Dudden, and Henkel. NAYS: None. Motion declared passed by Mayor Ouderkirk.

### **PET VACCINATION CLINIC**

Council member Dudden moved to approve hosting Vet Vaccination Clinic with Flatwater Vet Clinic on April 27<sup>th</sup> from 9 to 11 AM. Seconded by council member Hernandez. ROLL CALL: AYES: Kraus, Marquez, Baird, Dudden, Henkel, and Hernandez. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Ouderkirk.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

City Clerk Bowlin reminded everyone that Free Dump Day and Stag Feed are Saturday April 13<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Ouderkirk thanked Kevin and utility crew for all their hard work over the weekend to get power back on.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council member Baird moved to adjourn at 8:34 P.M. Seconded by council member Hernandez.  
ROLL CALL: AYES: Marquez, Baird, Dudden, Henkel, Hernandez and Kraus. NAYS: None.  
Meeting declared adjourned by Mayor Ouderkirk.

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Mayor

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City Clerk/Treasurer