

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bayard, County Morrill, State of Nebraska, met in a special session in the Council Chambers July 9, 2026 at 6:00 P.M. City of Bayard 445 Main St., Bayard, Nebraska, 69334. Notice of the meeting having been posted in three places; 305 Main Street, 445 Main Street, and 517 Main Street. An agenda for the meeting was made available to the Mayor and each of the Council Members prior to the meeting. Present were Mayor Ouderkirk and council members: Chris Baird, Jamie Hernandez, Diane Kraus, Garrett Schukei, and Marty Marquez. Absent: Tanner Henkel. There being a quorum of council members present, Mayor Ouderkirk called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Ouderkirk presided over the meeting and noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Act, located in City Council Chambers was available to the public. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. City Clerk Bowlin recorded the minutes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

BUDGET WORKSHOP 2026-2027 Budget

City Clerk/Treasurer Bowlin presented council with a spreadsheet for the upcoming budget discussions; the line-item spreadsheet will be used to create the state submitted budget forms and had changes made to it prior to the meeting keeping in mind items requested at the last budget meeting. Department heads included Utility Superintendent, Chief of Police and City Clerk. Discussion was held on items requested at previous meeting, and if there were any new requests. Council would like to see options for 3 and 5 % raises for next meeting and options for increase to water rates. No meeting for August Budget at this time. Valuations from the county will come out in August to get finalized numbers.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Council member Schukei moved to adjourn at 7:21 P.M. Seconded by council member Hernandez. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, Schukei, and Baird. NAYS: None. Motion declared adjourned by Mayor Ouderkirk.

S/ Scot Ouderkirk
Mayor, City of Bayard

ATTESTED BY:
S/ Shelly Bowlin
City Clerk/Treasurer