

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bayard, County Morrill, State of Nebraska, met in a special session in the Council Chambers June 16, 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 and Tanner Henkel arriving at 6:29 P.M. Absent: Garrett Schukei and Marty Marquez. With lack of a quorum of council members present, Mayor Ouderkirk called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. and stated that items on the agenda could be discussed but not voted on. When Council member Henkel arrived, there was a quorum of council present to be able to vote on items. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. 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. City Clerk Bowlin recorded the minutes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council member Kraus made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by council member Baird. ROLL CALL: AYES: Baird, Henkel, Hernandez, and Kraus. 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. Department heads included Utility Superintendent, Grounds Superintendent, Library Director, Chief of Police and City Clerk each presented the council with the purchases they would like in the new fiscal year. Items discussed for purchasing next fiscal year included computers for council and the City Clerk, street and sidewalk repairs, continuing sewer cleanouts, new mower for city owned lots, oil testing for substation, ADA compliance for library, ADA for Sr. Center along with paint and windows, vest and pistols for police, bathroom update, sprayer for back of UTV, and new mosquito sprayer. Next workshop will be July 9th at 6:00 P.M.

MOSQUITO SPRAYING

Council member Baird made a motion to approve an agreement with Chimney Rock Golf Course for mosquito spraying at \$175.00 per session. Seconded by council member Henkel. ROLL CALL: AYES: Henkel, Hernandez, Kraus, and Baird. NAYS: None. Motion declared approved by Mayor Ouderkirk.

PUBLIC COMMENT

City Clerk Bowlin asked council if there was a place that Pathfinder Irrigation could host a meeting in town, Mayor Ouderkirk recommended Genoway's Hall.

ADJOURNMENT

Council member Kraus moved to adjourn at 7:05 P.M. Seconded by council member Hernandez. ROLL CALL: AYES: Hernandez, Kraus, Baird, and Henkel. NAYS: None. Motion declared adjourned by Mayor Ouderkirk.

S/ Scot Ouderkirk
Mayor, City of Bayard

ATTESTED BY:
S/ Shelly Bowlin
City Clerk/Treasurer