City of Bennington
Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 28, 2025; 6:00 P.M.
City Office, 15505 Warehouse St.
Bennington, NE
402-238-2375

Call to Order – Open Meeting Act – Roll Call

Planning Commission Vice-Chair Bob Zaruba called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following members were present: Haime Dias, Karen Hohman, Anita Ortiz, Mike Valasek and Bob Zaruba. Member James Bartels was absent. City Clerk Mindi Laaker identified the Open Meetings Act location that is available to the public.

Approval of April 30, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Ortiz, second by Hohman to approve the minutes as presented. With Dias and Valasek abstaining, all voted in favor and the motion carried.

Amendments to the City of Bennington Zoning Regulations to Define Martial Arts, to Amend the Definition of Studio, and to Add Indoor Youth Playground or Gym as a Conditional Use in the I-1 Light Industrial and C-4 Flex Business Zoning Districts

City Engineer Julie Ogden explained the amendments as presented.

Zaruba opened a public hearing and there were no comments.

Motion by Dias, second by Valasek to approve the amendments. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Comprehensive Plan Update to Revise the City of Bennington Future Land Use Map. Changes Proposed include Adding Commercial and High Density Residential at the southeast corner of 180th and Bennington Road and Expansion of Commercial along the west side of 156th Street, south of Papillion Creek.

City Engineer Julie Ogden explained the revisions to the Future Land Use Map as presented.

Zaruba opened a public hearing and comments were made regarding a traffic light at Rainwood Road, a change in the speed limit, road widening and types of businesses allowed in Commercial Districts.

Motion by Ortiz, second by Dias to approve the changes as presented. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Adjourn

Motion by Hohman, second by Ortiz to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m. All voted in favor and the motion carried.