City of Bennington
Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 17, 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 Chair James Bartles called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The following members were present: James Bartles, Haime Dias, Karen Hohman, Anita Ortiz, Mike Valasek, and Cydell White Jr. Member Bob Zaruba was absent. City Clerk Mindi Laaker identified the Open Meetings Act location that is available to the public.

Approval of October 29, 2025 Meeting Minutes

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

Consideration of a Revised Final Plat in a Highway Commercial Zoning District for a 27.85 acre development known as Rainwood Square located at 10102 N. 156th St.

City Engineer Julie Ogden and Joe Foley with FoleyShald Engineering presented the revised Final Plat for Rainwood Square.

The revised plat includes moving Thayer Street north and Lot 7 and Outlot B south to create a full access intersection at 156th Street.

Bartles opened a public hearing and there were no comments.

Motion by Dias, second by Ortiz to recommend approval of the Revised Final Plat subject to compliance with the conditions recommended in the City Engineer's and County Engineer's comment letters. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Three Year Reappointment Recommendations

Motion by Bartles, second by Hohman to recommend approval of Anita Ortiz for reappointment. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Motion by Bartles, second by Hohman to recommend approval of Bob Zaruba for reappointment. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Elections

Motion by Dias, second by Valasek to nominate and elect Bartles as Planning Commission Chair. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Motion by Ortiz, second by Hohman to table the nomination of the Planning Commission Vice-Chair. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Adjourn

Motion by Dias, second by Bartles to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. All voted in favor and the motion carried.