City of Bennington
City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, April 13, 2026; 6:00 P.M.
City Office, 15505 Warehouse Street
Bennington, NE
402-238-2375

Call to Order - Roll Call – Open Meetings Act

Mayor Clint Adams called the regular monthly meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 13, 2026. In attendance were City Council Members Kaye Bridgeford, Rob Hamilton and Adam Lee. Council Member Shane Pekny was absent. City Clerk Mindi Laaker identified the Open Meetings Act location that is available to the public.

Approval of Consent Agenda

A. March 9, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes
B. March 2026 Bills Paid
C. Keno Receipts: March 8.75%: $9,007.02
D. Arbor Day Proclamation – Friday, April 24, 2026
E. JEO Consulting Invoices for:
    i. General Engineering Invoice No. 172420 totaling $4,250.00
    ii. Public Works Building Invoice No. 172218 totaling $538.75
    iii. Sanitary Sewer Improvements Invoice No. 171886 and 172792 totaling $10,100.00
    iv. Neumeyer Park Soccer Complex Invoice No. 172818/172272 totaling $26,162.50

BILLS PAID IN MARCH	
CITY	
MUTUAL OF OMAHA	248.34
BCBS	4,216.72
OLD REPUBLIC SURETY GROUP	100.00
RATINA CRAWFORD	1,276.35
KEVIN HAND	2,633.19
MINDI LAAKER	993.41
NATIONWIDE INSURANCE	3,090.93
NATIONWIDE INSURANCE	5,871.11
COX BUSINESS SERVICES	105.24
THE DAILY RECORD	571.60
MUD	55.35
WM CORPORATE SERVICES, INC	76.25
YOUNG & WHITE LAW OFFICES	2,038.94
QB IRS TAXES	10,570.52
HSA CONTRIBUTIONS	241.34
EMC INSURANCE COMPANIES	478.00
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SERVICES	127.18

JEO CONSULTING, INC	6,267.50
OPPD	292.88
PRESTO-X	44.42
JM ONLINE	1,918.80
KEVIN HAND	824.28
KATIE BODNER	21.00
CORNHUSKER STATE INDUSTRIES	78.00
GUARDIAN	240.59
RATINA CRAWFORD	1,276.36
KEVIN HAND	2,450.03
MINDI LAAKER	993.41
NATIONWIDE INSURANCE	3,026.98
NATIONWIDE INSURANCE	5,807.18
CALLUM SPORTS PICTURES	294.00
PARKING FOR CONFERENCE	11.00
PARKING FOR CONFERENCE	6.00
PARKING FOR CONFERENCE	6.00
PARKING FOR CONFERENCE	21.00
HSA CONTRIBUTIONS	241.34
CUBBY'S - PLANNING MEETING MEAL	98.38
BOND INTEREST PAYMENT	5,027.50
BOND INTEREST PAYMENT	3,642.50
BOND INTEREST PAYMENT	15,616.25
HSA CONTRIBUTIONS	241.34
HYVEE - PLANNING MEETING MEAL	24.00
CLOUDFLARE	240.00
QUICKBOOKS - YEARLY	3,398.00
INSPRO MARSH & MCLENNAN	7,027.00
HSA CONTRIBUTIONS	241.34
KENO LICENSE	100.00
QB IRS TAXES	10,792.97
CITY TOTAL	**102,964.52**
SEWER	
ONE CALL CONCEPTS	7.77
JEO CONSULTING, INC	195.00
PEOPLE SERVICE	1500.00
SEWER TOTAL	**1,702.77**

LIBRARY	
MUTUAL OF OMAHA	187.22
BCBS	5,171.80
COX BUSINESS SERVICES	74.58
THE DURHAM MUSEUM	350.00
JOHNNA BIERMAN	1,462.30
LISA FLAXBEARD	1,667.26
NATALIE HARTLEY	905.89
NORA HUBER	308.22
HEATHER LUTH	1,152.04
LYDIA PILE	330.34
MRS NATALIE HARTLEY	85.96
CITY WIDE FACILITY SOLUTIONS	825.00
COX BUSINESS SERVICES	136.13
DEMCO	458.75
MUD	258.30
NEBRASKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION	75.00
SAM'S CLUB MC/SYNCB	2,137.61
WM CORPORATE SERVICES, INC	145.99
NEBRASKA LIBRARY COMMISSION	1,273.00
OPPD	138.60
PRESTO-X	33.73
JM ONLINE	479.40
GUARDIAN	50.43
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SERVICE	40.67
MADE NEW MAKERSPACE	200.00
JOHNNA BIERMAN	1,464.93
LISA FLAXBEARD	1,667.26
NATALIE HARTLEY	852.53
NORA HUBER	166.23
HEATHER LUTH	1,152.05
LYDIA PILE	380.87
COX BUSINESS SERVICES	73.92
LIBRARY TOTAL	**23,706.01**
POLICE	
MUTUAL OF OMAHA	565.72

STACIA NELSON	42.52
BENNINGTON AUTO SALE	79.12
BCBS	11,200.94
DEVIN CRINKLAW	882.59
ANDREW HILSCHER	2,830.53
JAYME IVERSEN	1,917.85
NICOLE MARTIN	693.47
STACIA NELSON	2,082.89
MARK NOONAN	162.03
DILLON SIMON	2,355.92
JONATHAN STARKE	2,190.56
DANIEL STOCKER	2,302.20
ERIC WHITE	212.04
2 MEN AND A SHOP	7,571.70
BENNINGTON AUTO SALE	867.36
MUD	168.00
WM CORPORATE SERVICES, INC	63.85
COX BUSINESS SERVICES	203.31
GREAT PLAINS UNIFORMS	338.50
IDEAL WATER	7.49
OPPD	250.28
PRESTO-X	48.57
CUBBYS	1,228.96
GUARDIAN	194.90
LEGAL & LIABILITY RISK MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE	150.00
DEVIN CRINKLAW	1,479.67
ANDREW HILSCHER	2,830.54
JAYME IVERSEN	1,733.15
ROBERT JONES	386.46
NICOLE MARTIN	693.47
DONALD MCGUIRE	265.86
STACIA NELSON	1,924.62
ANTHONY RAMAEKER	84.59
DILLON SIMON	2,152.53
PAUL SMOOT	144.18
JONATHAN STARKE	2,020.04
DANIEL STOCKER	2,302.19
GREAT AMERICA FINANCIAL SERVICES	74.29

POLICE TOTAL	**54,702.89**
PARKS	
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	13.51
HOTSY	158.50
MUTUAL OF OMAHA	228.62
BOBCAT OF OMAHA	181.36
BCBS	1,582.19
COX BUSINESS SERVICES	46.39
AMAZON	61.99
JOHN BOHRER	500.88
DEREK BRECHBILL	1,683.99
JACKSON CONRAD	465.35
LAYNE LAAKER	1,714.42
NATHAN STIER	702.71
CUBBY'S	157.18
KNUDSEN OIL & FEED	480.00
MUD	479.42
WM CORPORATE SERVICES, INC	837.10
ALL SPORTS NETTING INC	2,178.38
JEO CONSULTING, INC	40,175.63
OPPD	755.44
PRESTO-X	33.57
GUARDIAN	62.92
MENARDS	14.94
BENNINGTON BASEBALL CLUB	475.00
JOHN BOHRER	500.88
DEREK BRECHBILL	1,683.97
JACKSON CONRAD	778.94
LAYNE LAAKER	1,714.42
NATHAN STIER	820.08
COSTCO - WATER	229.99
PARKS TOTAL	**58,717.77**
STREETS	
HARSIN BUILTY CONSTRUCTION	8,482.50
HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	13.52

HOTSY	158.50
BOBCAT OF OMAHA	181.36
BCBS	1,582.19
COX BUSINESS SERVICES	46.40
AMAZON	61.98
CUBBY'S	157.18
MUD	424.07
JEO CONSULTING, INC	7,594.37
OPPD	6,102.51
PRESTO-X	33.56
GUARDIAN	13.45
MENARDS	14.94
COSTCO - WATER	230.00
STREETS TOTAL	**25,096.53**
CITY	**102,964.52**
SEWER	**1,702.77**
LIBRARY	**23,706.01**
POLICE	**54,702.89**
PARKS	**58,717.77**
STREETS	**25,096.53**
TOTAL OF ALL BILLS	**$ 266,890.49**

Motion by Lee, second by Bridgeford to approve the Consent Agenda. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Audit Report - Tim Lens, Creative Planning

City Accountant Tim Lens presented the 2024-2025 Audit Report and September 30, 2025 Financial Statements. The Audit Report is on file in the City Office.

Street Closure and Event Application, Nicki Byars

A. Bennington Daze –

i. Beer Garden and Dance on Saturday June 6 from 6 a.m. to Sunday June 7 at 1 a.m. on South Second Street from Molley to Stark Streets

ii. Parade on Saturday June 6 from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Bennington Road from 168th to Allen Streets

Motion by Bridgeford, second by Lee to table Items i and ii listed above until the May meeting. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

B. Bennington Chamber and Community Foundation Farmer's Market 2026 –

Representatives Felicia Weaver and Nikki Thomsen explained the event that will close Warehouse Street from the alley at 15514 Warehouse Street to Stark Street.

Motion by Bridgeford, second by Lee to approve the closure. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

2026 Prairie Ridge Blight Study and Declaration of the Blight Study Area within the Bennington Corporate Limits as Substandard and Blighted Pursuant to the Nebraska Community Development Law

City Attorney Jeff Miller and Brent Beller with Fullenkamp, Jobeun, Johnson & Beller presented the Blight Study.

Adams opened a public hearing and there were no comments.

Motion by Bridgeford, second by Hamilton to approve Resolution No. 2026-02 declaring certain areas of the City to be a substandard and blighted area in need of redevelopment. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Ironman 70.3 Omaha Triathlon – June 7, 2026

Ironman representative Corey Roberts explained the Highway 36 closure on Sunday June 7 beginning at 7:45 a.m. and ending at 11:45 a.m. with police crossing north/south traffic.

A. Street Closing and Event Permit Application
B. Agreement with World Triathlon Corporation
C. Agreement with City of Omaha and Douglas County
D. Resolution No. 2026-03 Regarding State Highway Closure and Indemnification of the State of Nebraska

Motion by Bridgeford, second by Lee to approve Items A-D listed above All voted in favor and the motion carried.

MUD Agreement to Reconvey Property consisting of the City Water Tower and Adjoining Water Well

City Attorney Jeff Miller presented the reconveyance.

Motion by Bridgeford, second by Hamilton to approve the Agreement. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Bennington Road Bridge Approach Contract

City Engineer Julie Ogden explained the Award of Project to the Second Low Bidder – ME Collins Contracting in the amount of $162,910.

Motion by Bridgeford, second by Lee to approve ME Collins Contracting Bid contingent on City Attorney and Engineer negotiations for cancellation and acceptable compensation from Brink Building Group. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Subdivision, Sewer Connection, Maintenance, and Annexation Agreements with S.I.D. No. 645 for the Rainwood Square Subdivision
City Attorney Jeff Miller explained the agreements.

Motion by Lee, second by Hamilton to approve the agreements. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Updated Plan Sheets for Neumeyer Farm Park, Soccer Fields Phase 2
City Engineer Julie Ogden presented the draft final plans and timeline.

Library, Police, Public Works, Office and Project Tracker Reports
All monthly reports are on file in the City Office.

Adjourn
Motion by Bridgeford, second by Lee to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. All voted in favor and the motion carried.