

MINUTE RECORD
GIBBON CITY COUNCIL
Monday, November 17, 2025

The Gibbon City Council, Buffalo County, Nebraska, met in an open public session at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall on Monday, November 17, 2025. Notice of the meeting was given in the Shelton Clipper on November 13, 2025, posted on the City's website, and at Gibbon City Hall, Gibbon Post Office, and Gibbon Exchange Bank.

Mayor Leon Stall called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Stall verified the Open Meetings Notice is posted on the south wall of the Council Chambers. The City of Gibbon abides by the Open Meetings Act when conducting business. The City Council may vote to go into closed session on any agenda item as allowed by state law.

Roll Call: Armando Hernandez: Present

Kevin Kraenow: Present

Derrick Clevenger: Present

Bob Krier: Present

Present: 4: Absent: 0

Submittal of Requests for Future Items: Individuals who have items for City Council consideration should complete the Request for Future Agenda items form available from the City Clerk or on the City of Gibbon website. If the issue can be handled administratively without Council action, notification will be provided. If the item is scheduled for a meeting or study session, notification of the date will be given.

Reserve Time to Speak on Agenda Items: There will be time to speak on agenda items at the time of discussion, prior to any vote of the council.

Presentations and Proclamations:

Gibbon Volunteer Fire Department—Andrea Rodriguez: Ms. Rodriguez went over the monthly number of calls and hours served. She informed the Council that they had received a \$15,000 grant from Cargill and were considering replacing the HVAC at the west end of the building and possibly repairing the concrete in the bays. Administrator Smallcomb let the Council know he is receiving bids on the HVAC.

Buffalo County Sheriff's Department—Sergeant Joe Andersen: Sergeant Andersen reviewed the monthly report.

Mayor Report—Leon Stall: Mayor Stall informed the Council that he and City Administrator Smallcomb attended the SCEDD Annual Economic and Community Development Forum. It was an excellent opportunity to learn about the different opportunities available to communities through state agencies and how communities have utilized them.

Mayor Stall thanked Pam Rasmussen for her years of service with the City and community. He then introduced Mattie Webben. Mattie has a strong background in the insurance sector, customer service, and a strong understanding of financial reports. Mattie will be appointed as the clerk at a later date.

Mayor Stall reviewed the meeting that the Mayor and Council attended with the GVFD. City Administrator Smallcomb, Councilmember President Clevenger, City Attorney Hemmerling, and the mayor represented the City throughout the discussion. The discussion was candid and productive, clearing up many misunderstandings between the City and the GVFD. A GVFD representative will be at all future Council meetings to give their report in person.

Mayor Stall let the Council know that later in the meeting, they will act upon an employment agreement for the City Administrator. An Agreement with our City Administrator provided greater stability in that position. The City is embarking on two major multimillion-dollar projects that will require a strong understanding of Gibbon's infrastructure and the planning process, as well as the willingness to commit the time and effort to see these projects through. A contract helps stabilize the City Administrator position and is in the best interests of the City and City Administrator.

Mayor Stall announced the resignation of Councilmember Bob Krier. Mayor Stall thanked Mr. Krier for his time and commitment to our community.

City Attorney Report—Barry Hemmerling: No report.

City Administrator Report—Matthew Smallcomb: Mr. Smallcomb went over his monthly report. The City has two new staff members. Mattie Webben will be sworn in as City clerk at the December meeting, and Ramon Perez began in the street department on November 10. Christmas in the Park will be held December 6. The annual audit with Dana Cole & Company will be on-site on December 4 and 5. The surplus items have been sold on Adam Marshall's Auction.

Treasurer Report—Susan Tonniges: Ms. Tonniges went over the treasurer's report. Financials are only one month into the new fiscal year with not much activity.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Bob Krier to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Derrick Clevenger.

Bob Krier: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

The items approved on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Minutes of October 20, 2025, Council Meeting

Minutes of November 5, 2025, Special Council Meeting

Claims for November

Buffalo County Sheriff Department Report

Treasurers Report

Gibbon Volunteer Fire Department Report

Recreation Advisory Report

Planning Commission Report

Permit 2025-45—Gazca—704 Hwy 30—Accessory building

Permit 2025-46—Diessner—45640 67th Road—House and Accessory building

Permit 2025-47—Hernandez—17 May Avenue—Accessory building

Library Report

Cemetery Board Report

Board Reappointments—Lee Vohland—Cemetery Board

Melody Rockefeller—Cemetery Board

Resolutions and Motions:

A motion was made by Derrick Clevenger to approve Resolution No. 2025-20 Signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent 2025 and to Authorize the Mayor to Sign the Completed Forms, second by Bob Krier.

Resolution No. 2025-20

Whereas: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2302, and 39-2511 through 39-2515 details the requirements that must be met in order for a municipality to qualify for an annual Incentive Payment; and

Whereas: The State of Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) requires that each incorporated municipality must annually certify (by December 31st of each year) the appointment(s) of the City Street Superintendent(s) to the NDOT using the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent form; and

Whereas: The NDOT requires that each certification shall also include a copy of the documentation of the city street superintendent's appointment, i.e., meeting minutes; showing the appointment of the City Street Superintendent by their name as it appears on their License (if applicable), their License Number (if applicable), and Class of License (if applicable), and type of appointment, i.e., employed, contract (consultant, or interlocal agreement with another incorporated municipality and/or county), and the beginning date of the appointment; and

Whereas: The NDOT also requires that such Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent form shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include a copy a resolution of the governing body authorizing the signing of the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent form by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson.

Be it Resolved that the Mayor of City of Gibbon is hereby authorized to sign the attached Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent completed form(s).

Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Armando Hernandez to approve the letter of agreement with Olsson for Street Superintendent and Engineering Services, second by Bob Krier.

Armando Hernandez: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Derrick Clevenger to approve Jess Hurlbert with Olsson as Street Superintendent for the City of Gibbon, second by Armando Hernandez.

Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bob Krier to approve resolution No. 2025-21, temporarily closing public street for Christmas in the Park, seconded by Armando Hernandez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-21 RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY CLOSING PUBLIC STREET
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GIBBON, NEBRASKA, that the following streets will be closed to vehicular traffic for Christmas in the Park from 3:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., on Saturday, December 6, 2025: Front Street from West Avenue to LaBarre Street; and Court Street from Front Street to Second Street; and First Street from Court Street to Niles Street; and Second Street from Court Street to LaBarre; and LaBarre Street from Front Street to Third Street.

Bob Krier: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bob Krier to approve Resolution No. 2025-22 A resolution affirming the City of Gibbon, Buffalo County, Nebraska commitment to fair housing, second by Armando Hernandez.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-22 A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE CITY OF GIBBON, BUFFALO COUNTY, NEBRASKA COMMITMENT TO FAIR HOUSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gibbon, Nebraska, believe that discrimination in housing, employment, and public accommodation jeopardizes the foundation of a free and democratic society; and

WHEREAS, such discrimination also threatens the constitutional rights and privileges of the citizens of Gibbon; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gibbon desire to guarantee the equality of rights contained in the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the State of Nebraska, and hereby make a firm commitment to eliminate prejudice, intolerance, disorder, and discrimination in housing based on race, color, religion, gender, or ethnicity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gibbon, Nebraska, that in order to further fair housing, the City of Gibbon, by passage of this Resolution, hereby stands against discrimination in housing based on race, color, religion, national origin, disability, familial status, sex, or ancestry.

Bob Krier: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Armando Hernandez to approve the Employment Agreement with the City Administrator, second by Derrick Clevenger.

Armando Hernandez: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Derrick Clevenger to approve the change of time of the December 15, 2025, meeting from 7:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., second by Armando Hernandez.

Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bob Krier: Abstain.
Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain: 1. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Derrick Clevenger to close city offices on Friday, December 26, 2025, second by Armando Hernandez.

Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bob Krier: Abstain.
Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain: 1. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Bob Krier to approve an additional settlement and payment of claims for property damage related to the May 3, 2024, sewer back up as recommended by the

League Association of Risk Management upon receipt of the general release form from the claimant, second by Kevin Kraenow.

Bob Krier: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Derrick Clevenger: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Derrick Clevenger to accept the resignation of Councilmember Bob Krier and declare an open council seat in Ward 2, second by Armando Hernandez.

Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bob Krier: Abstain
Yea: 3; Nay: 0; Abstain: 1. Motion carried.

Other Items:

Special Council meeting on Monday, November 24, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

The next Regular Council Meeting will be on Monday, December 15, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Derrick Clevenger to adjourn the meeting, second by Armando Hernandez.

Derrick Clevenger: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Bob Krier: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Mayor Stall adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Pamela Rasmussen

Matthew Smallcomb

Leon Stall

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Matthew Smallcomb

Leon Stall

City Clerk

City Administrator

Mayor

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