

MINUTE RECORD
GIBBON CITY COUNCIL
Monday, December 15, 2025

The Gibbon City Council, Buffalo County, Nebraska, met in an open public session at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall on Monday, December 15, 2025. Notice of the meeting was given in the Shelton Clipper on December 11, 2025, and posted on the City's website and at Gibbon City Hall, Gibbon Post Office, and Gibbon Exchange Bank.

Mayor Derrick Clevenger called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mayor Clevenger verified that Open Meetings Notice was 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: Brandon Brueggemann: Present

Bradley Hall: Present

Armando Hernandez: Present

Kevin Kraenow: 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:

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

Gibbon Volunteer Fire Department—Chief Rick Brown: Chief Brown reviewed his report.

Mayor Report—Derrick Clevenger: Mayor Clevenger mentioned good attendance for Christmas in the Park. The first annual golf cart parade was a success. He thanked the businesses, volunteers, and city staff that helped organize the event.

Mayor Clevenger mentioned that with the newly formed council, he has asked Matt Smallcomb, City Administrator, to start organizing a city tour for the council to visit the various city facilities. It's important for the council to understand how the facilities function. The tour will take place in February or March 2026.

City Attorney Report—Barry Hemmerling: Barry Hemmerling discussed finalizing the updated Code of Ordinances soon.

City Administrator Report—Matthew Smallcomb: Mr. Smallcomb went over his monthly report. The Recreation Board has recommended resurfacing and repairing the pickleball courts with the use of Keno Funds. Keno Funds can only be used for community betterment. Current Keno balance is near \$103,000. Two used mowers were purchased from Kearney Country Club. The city will be switching from using gWorks for our GIS mapping to iworQ, saving the city roughly \$4,000.

Treasurer Report—Susan Tonniges: Ms. Tonniges went over the treasurer's report. Auditors were here December 4th and 5th; everything went well and we will have the report in a few months. Ms. Tonniges mentioned the financial reports, noting sales tax revenue is lower than the previous year and has been trending downward. It's not an urgent matter but should sales tax and keno funds continue to trend downward, it could impact budget projections next year.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Veolia Report - Pete Marshall: Mr. Marshall reviewed his report.

Olsson Contract – Wastewater contract of SRF Project - Doug Loudon: Mr. Loudon discussed the history of the SRF project. Due to the recommendation from the NDWEE, we will no longer be pursuing waste redirection to the Platte River and will instead focus on updates to the wastewater treatment plant.

Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Kevin Kraenow to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Armando Hernandez.

Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Brandon Brueggemann: Yea; Bradley Hall: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

The items approved on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

Approval of the Minutes of November 17, 2025, Regular Council Meeting.

Approval of the Minutes of November 24, 2025, Special Council Meeting

Approval of the Minutes of December 1, 2025, Special Council Meeting

Approval of Claims for the Month of December

Approval of Report of Departments, Boards and Commissions

Buffalo County Sheriff Department Report

Treasurers Report

Gibbon Volunteer Fire Department Report

Recreation Advisory Board

Planning Commission Report

Building Permit

Permit 2025-48 - Byrne - 103 Center St - Fence

Permit 2025-49 - Lee - 45675 67th Rd - Accessory Building

Library Report

Heritage Center Report

Cemetery Board did not meet on December 11th, 2025, due to no quorum.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Veolia Report

GVFD Application- Baylan Brown

Resolutions and Motions:

A motion was made by Kevin Kraenow to approve the appointment of Mattie Webben as City Clerk, seconded by Bradley Hall.

Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bradley Hall: Yea; Brandon Brueggemann: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brandon Brueggemann to authorize the City of Gibbon to become a member of the Greater Nebraska Cities (GNC) collaborative at an annual cost of \$5,000, and to allow the City Administrator, Mayor, and designated city staff to engage in GNC legislative meetings and activities, including weekly call during the legislative session; seconded by Kevin Kraenow.

Brandon Brueggemann: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bradley Hall: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kevin Kraenow to approve the contract for professional services with Olsson for the wastewater contract SRF Project, seconded by Armando Hernandez.

Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Brandon Brueggemann: Yea; Bradley Hall: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brandon Brueggemann to approve bid for resurfacing and repairing the pickleball courts at Davis Park, per the recommendation of the Recreation Board, funded with Keno Funds; seconded by Kevin Kraenow.

Brandon Brueggemann: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Bradley Hall: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kevin Kraenow to approve year-end bonuses in the net amount of \$100 for each city employee; seconded by Armando Hernandez.

Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea; Bradley Hall: Yea; Brandon Brueggemann: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kevin Kraenow to move the January and February Regular Council Meetings to Tuesday, January 20th, 2026, and Tuesday, February 17th, 2026, due to federal holidays; seconded by Brandon Brueggemann.
Kevin Kraenow: Yea; Brandon Brueggemann: Yea; Bradley Hall: Yea; Armando Hernandez: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Other Items:

The next Regular Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, January 20th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Armando Hernandez to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Brandon Brueggemann

Armando Hernandez: Yea; Brandon Brueggemann: Yea; Bradley Hall: Yea; Kevin Kraenow: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Mayor Clevenger adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Mattie Webben

Matthew Smallcomb

Derrick Clevenger



City Clerk



City Administrator



Mayor

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