

Sidney, Nebraska January 27, 2026, A Fair Housing City

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Sidney, Nebraska, was convened in an open and public session at 5:30 p.m. on January 27, 2026, in the Council Room. Present in person: Mayor Bondegard and Council Members: Kerkman, Kuhns, and Lee. Others present: Interim City Manager Hanson, Clerk Borchert, Attorney Strommen and Deputy Clerk Phillips. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in The Sidney-Sun Telegraph, the designated method for giving notice, a copy of the proof of publication attached to these minutes. Advance notice of the meeting was given to the members of the City Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and the notice to the City Council. All proceedings shown hereafter were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public's attendance.

Mayor Bondegard informed the public of the location of the posted Open Meetings Act.

Kerkman motioned, "That Burke Radcliffe be excused from the meeting." Lee seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Kerkman, Kuhns, Bondegard, Lee. Nays: None. Absent: Radcliffe. Motion approved.

Lee motioned, "To approve the minutes from January 13, 2026." Kuhns seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Kuhns, Bondegard, Lee, Kerkman. Nays: None. Absent: Radcliffe. Motion approved.

Josh Hanson, Interim City Manager, asked Council to consider the appointment of Dennis Cheatham to the Board of Adjustments. Kuhns motioned, "To appoint Dennis Cheatham to the Board of Adjustment." Kerkman seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Bondegard, Lee, Kerkman, Kuhns. Nays: None. Absent: Radcliffe. Motion approved.

Chief Building Official, Marshall Hall, asked for Council approval of **Resolution 20260102**, for the application of Valarie Grilli waiver, previously submitted and approved by the Planning Commission, for Truck Parking in a residential (R2) zone for truck parking only-no trailers. Kerkman motioned "To approve Valarie Grilli to park her truck (max 2) at her residence at 1742 Osage Street." Lee seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Lee, Kerkman, Kuhns, Bondegard. Nays: None. Absent: Radcliffe. Motion approved.

Clerk Borchert asked Council approval for **Resolution 20260103** removing David Scott, previous City Manager, and Lori Borchert, retiring City Clerk, and adding Interim City Manager Josh Hanson and Deputy Clerk Kim Phillips to the banking account. Amanda Craig will remain on the Electric and Water Customer Deposits. Finance Director Carwin and Mayor Bondegard will remain on the City Accounts. Clerk Borchert also asked for approval of **Resolution 20260104**, approving the facsimile signatures of Mayor Bondegard, Interim City Manager Hanson, Deputy Clerk Phillips and Finance Director Carwin, removing Scott and Borchert. Lee motioned "To approve **Resolution 20260103**, removing Scott and Borchert from the banking accounts and **Resolution 20260104**, approving Hanson, Phillips, Carwin, Bondegard to the facsimile signatures." Kuhns seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Kerkman, Kuhns, Bondegard, Lee. Nays: None. Absent: Radcliffe. Motion approved.

Interim City Manager Hanson asked Council to accept the bid from John Lessman in the amount of \$26,500 for the purchase of the 2002 John Deere 444H Front Wheel Loader. The Street Departments requested bids until January 22, 2026. Two bids were made. One from Haupt Excavation for \$20,000 and one from John Lessman for \$26,500. Hank Radke, Street Superintendent stated that the trade in amount was less than the bids received. Kerkman motioned "To accept the bid from John Lessman for \$26,500 for the purchase of the 2002 John Deere 444H Front Wheel Loader." Kuhns seconded. Roll call: Kuhns, Bondegard, Lee, Kerkman. None. Absent Radcliffe. Motion approved.

Hanson updated council on the Economic Development. Rural Workforce housing was put on hold. LB 840 funds drawdowns to Safe at Home with requirements and Cheyenne County Community Center with requirements. CDBG still has funds. Brauer and Kampfe have submitted funds. Gaston and Safe at Home are receiving a drawdown for these funds.

Phillips mentioned deadlines for non-incumbent filing of Mach 2, 2026

Strommen asked if the incumbents they need to file financial forms.

Hall stated R Perry received 5 Certificates of Occupancies. Les Schwab is moving along.

Hank Radtke stated maintenance normal. Project in Park. New employee.

Carwin stated that the auditors are finishing up. There were 15 viewers.

Lee stated the ED has an opening.

Kerkman stated there is a Housing Authority Meeting. Development bids for Sioux Villa. Legislative news. LB1072 is of interest for equalization bill on sales tax.

Bondegard welcomed Lt. Ruiz to the Police Department.

Kerkman moved to adjourn at 5:57 p.m. Kuhns seconded. Roll call: Yeas: Kuhns, Bondegard, Lee, Kerkman
Nays: None. Absent: Radcliffe. Motion approved.

ATTEST: /s/Brandon Bondegard, Mayor

ATTEST: /s/Kim Phillips/Deputy City Clerk