

A regular meeting of the Mayor and the City Council of O'Neill was held at the City Hall in said City on the 2nd day of March, 2026 at 6:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Scott Menish, City Clerk/Treasurer Sarah Sidak, City Attorney Boyd Strobe, Council President Quana Wheeler and Council members; Kayla Burdick, Michelle Liewer, Paul Asche, Chris Laursen, Tim Gleason and Beth Walsh. Absent: Council member Tim Schneider.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance thereof according to Section 84-1408 of the Revised Statutes of Nebraska. Notice of the meeting was given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of the acknowledgement of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott Menish. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Menish informed the public of the location of the Open Meetings Act poster.

Moved by Asche, second by Wheeler to waive the reading of the minutes of the February 2nd meeting and approve them as if read. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Walsh, second by Burdick to open the 2026 One and Six Year Street Plan public hearing. Roll call vote as follows: Aye; All Ayes. Motion carried.

**O'Neill, Nebraska
(M 466)
1-Year Plan – 2027**

<u>Project No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
253	Drainage ditch along 7th Street from S. Fitch Blvd. to river Ongoing maintenance, cleaning, grading	\$29,000
255	2nd Street, Adams Street to Hynes Avenue Construct 6" P.C. concrete paving	\$797,817

6-Year Plan – 2027 to 2033

209	Morton Street, Douglas to Fremont Street Construct storm sewer & inlets	\$366,100
210	Fremont Street, Cleveland Street to Jefferson Street Construct storm sewer & inlets	\$378,270
211	Cleveland Street, Douglas Street to Fremont Street Construct storm sewer & inlets	\$242,180
212	Everett Street, Cleveland Street to Harrison Street Construct storm sewer & inlets	\$220,350
226	8th Street, Adams Street to Williams Street Construct 6" P.C. concrete paving, storm sewer & inlets	\$487,712
239	Repair Outfall East Side 281, Between Fitch and Hancock Grading, rip-rap, mitigating maintenance and erosion.	\$123,900
243	7th Street Drainage, Grant Street to Douglas Street Construct storm sewer outfall for future drainage capacity	\$2,960,618
251	9th Street, John Street to Adams Street	\$239,160

Construct 6" P.C. concrete paving

No public comment was made.

Moved by Liewer, second by Walsh to close the public hearing. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Council member Asche introduced Resolution No. 26-05, which is on file with the City Clerk.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-05

OF THE

CITY OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, Section 39-2115 and Section 39-2119, 1969, C.S.-R.S. of Nebraska 1943 requires that each County and Municipality prepares a one and six year, specific road or street improvement plan and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of O'Neill in compliance with the statutes and regulations of the State Highway Commission, did hold a public hearing on that proposed one and six year specific street improvement plans in the City Hall on March 2, 2026, in accordance with the "Notice of Public Hearing," a certified copy of such notice is attached, and

WHEREAS, there were no objections filed with the City Clerk and as presented at the hearing now,

WHEREAS, there were no amendments made to the one and six year plan on file with the City Clerk and as presented at the hearing now,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby approve said one and six year plan, as filed with the City Clerk, a copy of which is attached hereto,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the City is authorized to sign this resolution on behalf of the City Council and City Council hereby approves the proposed one and six year plan.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of March, 2026.

SCOTT MENISH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

SARAH SIDAK, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

Moved by Asche, second by Wheeler to adopt Resolution No. 26-05. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

City Attorney read the second reading of Ordinance No. 1442 by title and number.

ORDINANCE NO. 1442

OF THE
CITY OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF SEWER BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES, SERIES 2026, OF THE CITY OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES AND IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION THREE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,350,000), TO PROVIDE INTERIM FINANCING FOR THE COSTS OF CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING SEWERS WITHIN A SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OF THE CITY; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OFFICIALS TO DETERMINE THE FINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, MATURITIES, RATES, REDEMPTION PROVISIONS, TERMS AND OTHER DETAILS OF SUCH NOTES; PRESCRIBING THE FORM AND DETAILS OF THE NOTES; COVENANTING TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION SEWER BONDS TO PAY THE NOTES AT MATURITY OR EARLIER REDEMPTION OR TO PAY THE NOTES FROM OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDS, INCLUDING REFUNDING NOTES; DESIGNATING THE NOTES AS QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS; ADOPTING CERTAIN POST-ISSUANCE TAX COMPLIANCE AND DISCLOSURE PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO THE NOTES; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

Council member Wheeler spoke with the Council about the possibility of installing three bat houses. The material for the bat houses has been donated and will be made by students at O'Neill Public High School. There will be volunteers from the school that will handle the cleaning of the bat houses. They would like to install them in Carney Park, Ford Park and Kippure Adventure Park. This issue will be placed on the April agenda for the Council to vote on.

Council member Wheeler also spoke with the Council about installing a dog park South of the pond at Carney Park or at Kippure Adventure Park. The Council feels that the location of the dog park at Carney Park would be the best option. They would like input from the Park Board before they make a decision.

Moved by Burdick, second by Wheeler to allow a driveway onto 4th Street at 114 N 4th Street at the former Holt County Independent building site. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Val Wecker talked with the Council about the possibility of opening the Community Center during the winter months for people to walk. After some discussion the Council requested that Val come back to the Council after she had worked out some details before they would make a decision.

Council member Burdick informed the Council that she was not ready yet to talk about the dual employment policy. She needed to do some more research.

Moved by Wheeler, second by Liewer to approve waiving the rent of the Community Center for the O'Neill Chamber of Commerce. It would be waived a total of 10 times due to the bills they paid for the Welcome to O'Neill Signs. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Wheeler, second by Gleason to approve PIP-LB840-218 for sandblasting and paint in the amount of \$7,012.00, PIP-

LB840-219 for cement work in the amount of \$10,000.00, PIP-LB840-220 for new windows and door in the amount of \$4,639.50. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

City Clerk Sidak read the bid submitted for the anaerobic lagoon cover and liner replacement project:

Philip Carkoski Construction and Trenching \$618,536.00

City Engineer Dave Ziska opened the bid on Wednesday, February 25th and after review recommends accepting the bid submitted by Philip Carkoski Construction and Trenching for \$618,536.00.

Moved by Asche, second by Laursen to approve the bid submitted by Philip Carkoski Construction and Trenching for \$618,536.00. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Walsh, second by Burdick to approve waiving the noise ordinance for a St. Patrick's Day beer garden with a band on Friday, March 13th and Saturday, March 14th in the alley behind 309 E Douglas Street until 2am. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Gleason, second by Wheeler to approve the Treasurer's Report. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Walsh, second by Gleason to approve the bill submitted at this meeting by O'Neill Lumber. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Gleason, second by Walsh to approve the remaining bills. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

ALL FUNDS

Payroll, salary	170,000.00	FED & FICA, tax	38,805.86
American Family, ins	2,287.06	Black Hills Energy, util	4,000.71
BlueCrossBlueShield, ins	65,426.13	Colonial Life, ins	836.20
Guardian, ins	1,526.12	John Hancock, pension	9,457.63
NE Dept. of Revenue, tax	5,172.37	NPPD, util	18,966.18
NT&T, phone	994.46	Quadient, postage	2,000.00
Unum, ins	247.64	Verizon, phone	459.73
Wex Bank, fuel	5,758.29		

GENERAL FUND

AKRS, su	74.42	Allo, ser	12.00
Appeara, su	595.04	AT&T, phone	178.89
Bomgaars, su	117.47	Bound Tree, su	324.99
Carhart, su	59.99	Century Link, phone	66.58
Fina Choat, re	665.00	Contingent Fund, su	274.80
Dearborn Life, ins	68.80	DisplaySales, su	750.00
EcoLab, ser	78.75	GreatAmerica Financial, pmt	218.25
Heiman Fire, su	1,803.49	Holt Co Independent, ad	465.16
Island Supply, su	156.20	KBRX, ad	15.00
LB840 Fund, pmt	55,890.88	Maria Morales, re	131.60
NECC, su	162.00	NE DWEE, pmt	80.00
Odeys, su	7,062.83	O'Neill Electric, ser	581.00
One Office, su	372.51	Pinnacle Bank, su	38.88
Reiser Ins, pmt	724.00	Brenda Schmeichel, ser	750.00
Paul Schwindt, ser	185.00	Stryker, su	784.78
Tax Commissioner, tax	10.72	Team lab, su	236.66
Torpin's, su	36.07	United Healthcare, re	6,531.09
VSP, ins	90.14	Mike Walker, ser	100.00
Wesley Automotive, su	133.85	Zoll Medical, su	3,579.05

POLICE FUND

AT&T, phone	82.39	C&S Repair, ser	86.00
Century Link, phone	81.14	Melissa Forker, ser	160.00
GreatAmerica Financial, pmt	129.00	Holt Co 4Paws, ser	200.00
Beverly McConnell, re	90.00	Maria Morales, re	20.00
Niobrara Lodge, room	220.00	O'Neill Car Wash, ser	44.89
One Office, su	43.06	Platte Valley Comm, su	7.50
Ranchland Auto, su	14.99	SteppCo, ser	288.98

STREET FUND

AKRS, su	160.60	Appeara, su	283.30
Bomgaars, su	86.43	C&S, ser	20.00
Contingent Fund, su	343.27	Daimler Truck Finance, pmt39,	343.52
DisplaySales, su	408.28	Great Western Gas, su	12.00
Hendricks Small Motor, ser	223.50	Holt Co Independent, ad	22.66
Olsson, fees	490.55	O'Neill Auto, su	4.62
Power Plan, pmt	18,000.00	Ranchland Auto, su	264.43
Stan Houston, su	1,425.00	Team Lab, su	155.28

SEWER FUND

Blain Plumbing, ser	180.00	Bomgaars, su	13.99
Carhart, su	41.50	Contingent Fund, su	127.54
Farmer's Pride, fuel	178.79	FedEx, ser	43.47
Grainger, su	220.20	Holiday Inn, room	519.80
Holt Co Independent, ad	144.99	Midwest Lab, ser	139.07
Municipal Supply, su	774.04	Olsson, fees	5,381.74
One Call, ser	3.67	Ranchland Auto, su	32.29
Tax Commissioner, tax	4,659.50	Torpins, su	10.99
VSP, ins	41.32		

WATER FUND

A.S.A.P. Express, ser	40.00	Badger, su	1,314.96
Bomgaars, su	29.99	Carhart, su	41.49
City Utility Deposit, re	960.00	Contingent Fund, su	32.42
Farmer's Pride, fuel	178.80	Grainger, su	203.80
Holiday Inn, room	220.00	Interstate Indus., ser	168.34
Municipal Supply, su	1,500.47	NE Child Support, pmt	276.94
NE DWEE, training	115.00	NE Public Health, tests	48.00
NE Rural Water, dues	500.00	Ogden's, su	35.91
Olsson, fees	9,751.00	One Call, ser	3.67
Ranchland Auto, su	32.29	Tax Commissioner, tax	877.12
Torpins, su	11.00	VSP, ins	1.87

SOLID WASTE FUND

Accounts Management, pmt	400.00	AKRS, su	634.89
Armor Equipment, su	210.04	Butler Co. Landfill, fee	41,025.82
Caterpillar Finance, pmt	24,852.83	Connot Tire, ser	731.20
Cornhusker Int., ser	1,191.50	Holt Co Independent, ad	28.00
Klute Truck, su	8,130.00	Matheson Tri-Gas, su	47.05
NE Child Support, pmt	492.94	Niobrara Valley, util	*
NMC, ser	524.43	Olsson, fees	12,674.90
Overhead Door, ser	183.00	Ranchland Auto, su	374.43
Paul Schwindt, ser	175.00		

LB840

KBRX, ad	7.50
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COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

BOK Financial, pmt	2,737.50	Hanna:Keelan, pmt	10,500.00
Olsson, fees	18,879.74		

TIM GLEASON, WARD IV
BETH WALSH, WARD IV

Moved by Gleason, second by Wheeler to adjourn. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:06 P.M.

SCOTT MENISH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

SARAH SIDAK, CITY CLERK/TREASURER
