A regular meeting of the Mayor and the City Council of O'Neill was held at the City Hall in said City on the 3rd day of August, 2026 at 6:30 P.M.

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

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 Schneider, second by Liewer to waive the reading of the minutes of the July 6th meeting and approve them as if read. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

City Attorney Strope updated the Council on vacant properties/nuisances that he and Chief Otte are working on. They recommend that the Council hire a building inspector/engineer to determine what buildings are deemed dangerous. City Attorney Strope will work on drafting a request for proposal to advertise for an inspector/engineer.

City Attorney Strope read the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 1443 by title and number.

ORDINANCE NO. 1443

OF THE

CITY OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA, CONTINUING THE CITY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, CONTINUING A SALES AND USE TAX OF ONE-HALF PERCENT (½%) TO BE APPROPRIATED TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM; REPEALING PRIOR ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA, that:

Sec. 1. On May 12, 2026 at the Primary Election, a majority of the qualified electors of the City voting at the election, passed the following propositions which were submitted on the ballot at the election:

A. The City of O'Neill shall continue its Economic Development Program by appropriating annually from local sources of revenue a one-half percent (½%) sales and use tax which will generate funds not to exceed 0.4 of the one percent of the City's valuation for 15 years.

B. The governing body of the City shall impose a sales and use tax of one-half percent (½%) upon the same transactions within the City of O'Neill on which the State of Nebraska is authorized to impose tax, with the proceeds of one-half percent (½%) being allocated to fund the O'Neill Economic Development Program beginning October 1, 2027 and ending of September 30, 2042.

Sec. 2. The City's Economic Development Plan previously adopted shall continue in full force and effect until September 30, 2042.

Sec. 3. Beginning October 1, 2027 and ending September 30, 2042 the City shall impose a sales and use tax of one-half percent (½%) upon the same transactions within the City on which the State of Nebraska is authorized to impose a tax, with the proceeds being allocated to fund the City's Economic Development Program.

Sec. 4. That all prior ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed as of the effective date of this Ordinance.

Sec. 5. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of August, 2026.

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SCOTT MENISH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

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SARAH SIDAK, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

Moved by Walsh, second by Wheeler to adopt Ordinance No. 1443. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Council member Wheeler introduced Resolution No. 26-09, which is on file with the City Clerk.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-09

OF THE

CITY OF O'NEILL

WHEREAS: State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121 and 39-2520(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards; and

WHEREAS: State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each municipality shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the municipality authorizing the signing of the certification.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA; that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the attached Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of August, 2026.

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SCOTT MENISH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

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SARAH SIDAK, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

Second by Schneider, to adopt Resolution No. 26-09. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Schneider, second by Asche to approve Tate Shoemaker to the Fire and Ambulance Department. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Council member Schneider introduced Resolution No. 26-10, which is on file with the City Clerk.

RESOLUTION NO. 26-10

OF THE

CITY OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF O'NEILL, NEBRASKA:

WHEREAS, Nebraska State Statute 77-3443 requires the City Council of O'Neill to determine the levy allocation for all political subdivisions;

WHEREAS, the City Council of O'Neill is the levy authority of the O'Neill Airport Authority and is in receipt of the preliminary request for levy allocation by said Authority;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council will approve a levy allocation (tax request) increase to the lesser

of the actual valuation increase or $110,489.36 for fiscal year 2026-2027 for the O'Neill Airport Authority.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 3rd day of August, 2026.

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SCOTT MENISH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

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SARAH SIDAK, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

Second by Walsh to adopt Resolution No. 26-10. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Liewer, second by Asche to approve the Medica Choice National NE – 1500 for the city employees health insurance. Roll call vote as follows: Aye; Asche, Burdick, Liewer, Laursen, Schneider and Walsh. Nay: None. Abstain: Wheeler. Absent: Gleason. Motion carried.

Moved by Schneider, second by Asche to approve a 2.5% cost of living adjustment for the budget year 2026-2027 pending review of the budget. Roll call vote as follows: Aye; Asche, Burdick, Liewer, Laursen, Schneider and Walsh. Nay: None. Abstain: Wheeler. Absent: Gleason. Motion carried.

Moved by Schneider, second by Walsh to approve 04-LB840-26 for building acquisition and working capital in the amount of $100,000.00. Roll call vote as follows: All Ayes. Motion carried.

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

Moved by Asche, second by Walsh to approve the bill submitted at this meeting by O'Neill Lumber. Roll call vote as follows: Aye; Asche, Wheeler, Burdick, Liewer, Laursen and Walsh. Nay: None. Abstain: Schneider. Absent: Gleason. Motion carried.

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

ALL FUNDS

Payroll, salary	214,760.32	FED & FICA, tax	46,968.08
American Family, ins	2,511.14	Black Hills Energy, util	1,326.48
BlueCrossBlueShield, ins	65,426.13	Bomgaars, su	1,052.61
Colonial Life, ins	895.42	Guardian, ins	1,617.70
John Hancock, pension	9,509.77	NE Dept. of Revenue, tax	6,066.69
NPPD, util	22,508.40	NT&T, phone	1,055.53
Quadient Finance, postage	2,000.00	Unum, ins	246.55
Verizon, phone	459.66	Wex Bank, fuel	10,145.35

GENERAL FUND

Denice Alcala, re	957.60	Alder Plumbing, ser	228.60
Allo, ser	12.00	Appeara, su	571.14
AT&T, phone	128.37	Bound Tree, su	2,174.84
Carhart, su	17.89	Century Link, phone	65.99
Cole Redi Mix, su	320.00	Contingent Fund, su	309.00
Dearborn Life, ins	82.56	Fairfield, room	599.00

GreatAmerica Financial, pmt 218.25
Holt Co Independent, ad 213.86
Island Supply Welding, su 10.20
KBRX, ad 22.50
Krotter's, su 129.00
LB840 Fund, pmt 49,721.59
Niobrara Valley, util 9.42
Ogden's, su 326.72
One Office, su 819.08
Pinnacle Bank, su 1,135.51
Platte Valley Comm, ser 53.90
Rocket Sign Co, ser 950.00
Brenda Schmeichel, ser 750.00
School Dist 7, pmt 4,105.00
SteppCo, ser 155.00
Strope Law, fees 363.00
Tax Commissioner, tax 426.90
Torpin's, su 95.98
Mike Walker, ser 100.00
Holt Co Clerk, pmt 1,925.60
In The Swim, su 610.32
JanX, su 66.70
Krier Technologies, ser 300.00
La Quinta, room 389.85
Midwest Connect, su 948.00
NECC, pmt 186.00
O'Neill Lumber, su 514.32
Petrik Tree Ser, ser 1,600.00
PIP Marketing, su 17.98
Ranchland Auto, su 186.16
Rural Fire Board, pmt 35,000.00
Schaecher Electric, ser 410.35
Paul Schwindt, ser 185.00
Stick it Vinyl, ser 120.00
Sunset Pool, su 3,610.10
Team Lab, su 61.00
VSP, ins 90.14

POLICE FUND

AT&T, phone 90.69
Contingent Fund, su 128.11
GreatAmerica Financial, pmt 129.00
Lynn Peavey, su 102.75
Neil's Pest, ser 80.00
One Office, su 61.58
O'Neill Shopper, ads 114.28
Century Link, phone 82.57
Melissa Forker, ser 160.00
Holt Co 4Paws, ser 100.00
Jade Murphy, ser 45.00
Ogden's, su 17.99
O'Neill Car Wash, ser 30.31
Pinnacle Bank, su 92.44

STREET FUND

Appeara, su 234.03
Cole Redi Mix, su 223.00
Floyd's Truck Center, ser 345.78
One Office, su 15.39
O'Neill Lumber, su 250.43
Ranchland Auto, su 45.60
TrafficLogix, su 5,494.00
It's Werth the Time, ser 600.00
Blain Plumbing, ser 360.00
Emme Sand & Gravel, su 3,938.01
GreatPlains Small Engine, ser 972.51
O'Neill Auto, su 9.35
Platte Valley, su 79.70
Stan Houston, su 2,850.00
Van Diest, su 3,866.50

SEWER FUND

Contingent Fund, su 20.32
Grainger, su 84.33
Midwest Labs, ser 290.57
NE Rural Water Assoc., pmt 250.00
One Call, ser 32.66
Stadium Sports, su 72.00
Torpin's, su 35.05
VSP, ins 41.32
Cubby's, fuel 77.01
Holiday Inn, room 269.90
Doug Mulligan, ser 120.63
Olsson, pmt 2,752.55
O'Neill Lumber, su 7.19
Tax Commissioner, tax 4,495.98
USA BlueBook, su *

WATER FUND

A.S.A.P. Express, ser *
Contingent Fund, su 212.80
Doug Mulligan, ser 120.62
NE Public Health, tests 278.00
Olsson, pmt 428.62
O'Neill Lumber, su 7.20
Strope Law, fees 451.00
Torpin's, su 35.06
VSP, ins 1.87
City Utility Deposit, re 1,440.00
Holiday Inn, room 269.90
NE Child Support, pmt 276.94
NE Rural Water Assoc., pmt 800.00
One Call, ser 32.66
Stadium Sports, su 72.00
Tax Commissioner, tax 1,830.47
USA BlueBook, su *

SOLID WASTE FUND

Accounts Management, pmt 400.00
Connot Tire, ser 236.90
Butler Co. Landfill, fee 59,646.92
Holt Co Independent, ad 44.00
NE Child Support, pmt 492.94
Nippon, su 46.00
Pinnacle Bank, su 96.04
Paul Schwindt, ser 175.00
AKRS, su 309.72
Crystal Bourquin, re 43.73
Engelhaupt Tr & Tr, ser 411.90
Doug Mulligan, ser 453.75
Niobrara Valley, util *
O'Neill Auto, su 41.90
Ranchland Auto, su 178.02
Smoke It Up Welding, ser 133.68

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT

BOK Financial, pmt 37,737.50
Strope Law, fees 1,176.00
Olsson, pmt 829.87

LB840

KBRX, ad 15.00
Strope Law, fees 966.00

CHRIS LAURSEN, WARD II
TIM SHCNEIDER, WARD II

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 P.M.

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SCOTT MENISH, MAYOR

ATTEST:
(SEAL)

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SARAH SIDAK, CITY CLERK/TREASURER
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