

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – February 18, 2026
6:30 p.m. - Fairbury City Hall

1. **Call to order** – Mayor Slagel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. **Mayor Slagel directed the Clerk to call roll and the following members of Council answered present:** Gary Norris, Steve Endres, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, Jim Tipton. Jon Kinate entered at 6:33 p.m. Charles Hoselton Jr and Bill Schmidgall were absent.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Norris, second by Tipton to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from February 4, 2026 council meeting
 - B. Voucher Invoice Register listing the bills
 - C. Treasurer's Cash Report (second meeting of the month)
 - D. Check Register (second meeting of the month)
 - E. NONE
 - F. Overtime Report

Motion carried 5-0 YES-Norris Endres Weber Hoffman Tipton
5. **Mayor Slagel opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
NONE
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Streets - Lonnie Rhoads, Superintendent reported
 - Starting to work on the sand volleyball courts
 - Fire – Josh Hoselton, Chief - none
 - Sewer – Bruce Pride, Superintendent - absent
 - Water – Mike Mellott, Superintendent - absent
 - Police – Chris Edwards, Chief reported
 - The State picked up seized vehicles from both lots to take to the auto auction
 - The two new hires are in week 7 at the academy
 - City – Brett Ashburn, Superintendent reported
 - The City is planning a 250th Celebration for America
 - Legal – Matt Schrock, City Attorney reported
 - Working on a resolution authorizing the City to dispose of unclaimed motor vehicles
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - Alderman Norris - none
 - Alderman Endres - none
 - Alderman Hoselton Jr - absent
 - Alderman Kinate - none
 - Alderman Weber - none
 - Alderman Hoffman - none
 - Alderman Tipton was approached by the Fair board requesting to use the old fire truck at the 150th Fair this summer

→ Alderman Schmidgall –

8. **Items Removed from Consent Agenda**

NONE

9. **Old Business – Discussion/Action Items**

NONE

10. **New Business – Discussion/Action Items**

- A. Consideration to approve a liquor application from Wells on Main Guest House & Gatherings, LLC – **FAILED FOR LACK OF MOTION**
- B. Motion by Weber, second by Endres to approve \$4,500 purchase of Scissor Lift for Street Department. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Tipton
- C. Motion by Endres, second by Hoffman to approve \$12,370.43 purchase of two N50 portable radios for the Police Department. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Tipton
- D. Motion by Kinate, second by Weber to approve \$2,845 quote for the purchase of tablet for Fire Department. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Tipton
- E. Motion by Norris, second by Hoffman to approve Starcom contract for Fire Department radios. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Tipton

11. **Other Items for Discussion & Information**

NONE

12. **Public Comment**

NONE

13. **Executive Session**

NONE

14. **Adjournment** – Motion by Kinate, second by Hoffman to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.

Alexandria Reis, City Clerk