

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – December 17, 2025
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, Charles Hoselton Jr, Jon Kinate, Jerry Hoffman, Jim Tipton, and Bill Schmidgall. Bruce Weber was absent.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Hoselton Jr, second by Tipton to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from December 3, 2025 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 7-0 YES-Norris Endres Hoselton Jr Kinate Hoffman Tipton Schmidgall
5. **Mayor Slagel opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
NONE
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Streets - Lonnie Rhoads, Superintendent - none
 - Fire – Josh Hoselton, Chief - none
 - Sewer – Bruce Pride, Superintendent reported
 - The decal is on the new sewer truck
 - Water – Mike Mellott, Superintendent - absent
 - Police – Robert McCormick, Chief reported
 - Still on track for two new hires going to academy in January
 - City – Brett Ashburn, Superintendent - absent
 - Legal – Matt Schrock, City Attorney - none
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - Alderman Norris - none
 - Alderman Endres - none
 - Alderman Hoselton Jr - none
 - Alderman Kinate - none
 - Alderman Weber - absent
 - Alderman Hoffman - none
 - Alderman Tipton inquired about a jake break sign on route 24
 - Alderman Schmidgall – none

8. Items Removed from Consent Agenda**NONE****9. Old Business – Discussion/Action Items****NONE****10. New Business – Discussion/Action Items**

- A. Motion by Schmidgall, second by Kinate to approve 2026 City Council Meeting Schedule. Motion carried 7-0 YES-Norris Endres Hoselton Jr Kinate Hoffman Tipton Schmidgall
- B. Consideration to approve hiring new Police Clerk – **Will be acted on after Executive Session**
- C. Motion by Endres, second by Norris to approve Police Contract and Resolution with Village of Forrest. Motion carried 7-0 YES-Norris Endres Hoselton Jr Kinate Hoffman Tipton Schmidgall

11. Other Items for Discussion & Information

- A Retirement party for Chief McCormick and Police Clerk Randy Vedder will be December 30th from 11-2 p.m at City Hall.

12. Public Comment**NONE****13. Executive Session**

Motion by Kinate, second by Tipton to enter Exec Session at 6:40 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 YES-Norris Endres Hoselton Jr Kinate Hoffman Tipton Schmidgall

- A. Personnel- Section 2(c)(1) Employee hiring, firing, compensation, discipline and performance.

Motion by Norris, second by Schmidgall to enter open session at 6:52 p.m.

Action from Executive Session:

10B. Motion by Hoffman, second by Hoselton Jr to approve Connie Haas as the Police Clerk. Motion carried 7-0 YES- Norris Endres Hoselton Jr Kinate Hoffman Tipton Schmidgall

14. Adjournment – Motion by Schmidgall, second by Kinate to adjourn at 6:53 p.m.

Alexandria Reis, City Clerk