

City of Fairbury
City Council Minutes – April 15, 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, Jon Kinate, Bruce Weber, Jerry Hoffman, and Bill Schmidgall. Charles Hoselton Jr and Jim Tipton were absent.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Motion to approve the Consent Agenda** – Motion by Kinate, second by Norris to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:
 - A. Minutes from April 1, 2026 council meeting
 - B. NONE
 - C. Treasurer's Cash Report (second meeting of the month)
 - D. Check Register (second meeting of the month)
 - E. 253.5 sq ft @ \$2.50 per sq ft = \$633.75 Schmidgall
 - F. Overtime Report

Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Schmidgall
5. **Mayor Slagel opened Public Comment and the following persons provided comments:**
 - **Patrick Chambers** came to request stop signs at the Ash St & 6th St intersection
 - **Jill Hammond** came to discuss traffic and speeding in town
6. **Reports of Departments**
 - Streets - Lonnie Rhoads, Superintendent - none
 - Fire – Josh Hoselton, Chief - absent
 - Sewer – Bruce Pride, Superintendent reported
 - 7th St project is complete
 - Water – Mike Mellott, Superintendent - absent
 - Police – Chris Edwards, Chief - none
 - City – Brett Ashburn, Superintendent reported
 - Utility Billing Clerk Jessica Wenger had her baby
 - Sam Pica resigned from Zoning Board and will be needing a replacement
 - Legal – Matt Schrock, City Attorney - none
7. **Reports of Aldermen**
 - Alderman Norris - none
 - Alderman Endres - none
 - Alderman Hoselton Jr - absent
 - Alderman Kinate - none
 - Alderman Weber - none
 - Alderman Hoffman requested a Finance committee meeting before a meeting in May
 - Alderman Tipton - absent
 - 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 a resolution for 2026 MFT maintenance. Motion carried 6-0 YES – Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Schmidgall
- B. Motion by Norris, second by Weber to approve street closure request from Fairbury Area Chamber for the Community Sale on May 2nd, 2026. Motion carried 6-0 YES – Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Schmidgall
- C. Motion by Schmidgall, second by Endres to approve 2026-27 Pay Ordinance including City Superintendent and Chief Police. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Schmidgall
- D. Motion by Kinate, second by Norris to approve an ordinance fixing salaries of elected officers of the City of Fairbury - \$4,400 annually for Alderman, \$7,400 annually for Mayor. Motion carried 6-0 YES- Norris Endres Kinate Weber Hoffman Schmidgall

11. Other Items for Discussion & Information

- Superintendent Ashburn discussed a property wishing to annex into the City

12. Public Comment

NONE

13. Executive Session

Motion by Weber, second by Kinate to enter Executive Session @ 6:52 p.m.

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

Motion by Kinate, second by Schmidgall to enter Open Session @ 7:17 p.m.

Action from Executive Session:

NONE

14. Adjournment – Motion by Kinate, second by Schmidgall to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Alexandria Reis, City Clerk