The Mayor and City Council of the City of Bayard, County Morrill, State of Nebraska, met in a special session in the Council Chambers August 24, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. City of Bayard 445 Main St., Bayard, Nebraska, 69334. Notice of the meeting having been published in the Bayard Transcript, a newspaper of general circulation, on August 18, 2021. An agenda for the meeting was made available to the Mayor and each of the Council members prior to the meeting. Present were Mayor Schmall and council members; Janice Newhoff, Jamie Hernandez, Sheila Henson Diane Kraus, Marty Marquez and Scot Ouderkirk. Absent: None. There being a quorum of council members present, Mayor Schmall called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Schmall presided over the meeting and noted that a copy of the Open Meetings Act, located in City Council Chambers was available to the public. City Clerk Bowlin recorded the minutes.

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council member Newhoff made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by council member Henson. ROLL CALL: AYES: Henson, Newhoff, Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, and Ouderkirk. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Schmall.

## **BUDGET HEARING**

Mayor Schmall opened the Public Hearing for 2021-2022 Budget at 6:02 pm: Mayor Schmall updated everyone on the budget information, and highlighted the changes from the 2020-2021 budget to the 2021-2022 budget. He stated with the increase of the valuation from the county that property tax request and overall operation budget have increased slightly with the Tax Rate staying level. With no further comments from the public Mayor Schmall closed the public hearing at 6:009 pm. The budget will be placed on the September 14<sup>th</sup> meeting for approval.

# OPERATIONAL BUDGET DISCUSSION

City Clerk/Treasurer Bowlin presented council with multiple spreadsheets for the upcoming budget discussions. These spreadsheets included the sheet for the operational budget that has been in place for the past couple of years; Ordinance #856 with updated Water rates, and finally multiple options for proposed wages. Mayor Schmall asked Council to review and think about changes to wages and water rates that they would like to implement for the upcoming fiscal year.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Council member Henson moved to adjourn at 6:53 P.M. Seconded by council member Ouderkirk. ROLL CALL: AYES: Henson, Newhoff, Hernandez, Kraus, Marquez, and Ouderkirk. NAYS: None. Motion declared carried by Mayor Schmall.

S/ Greg Schmall
Mayor, City of Bayard

ATTESTED BY: S/ Shelly Bowlin City Clerk/Treasurer