



The Minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting of the City Council of the City of Bay Minette, Alabama as Held on February 2, 2026

The regular scheduled meeting of the City Council of the City of Bay Minette was held on February 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall in Bay Minette, Alabama; this being the proper place, scheduled date, and hour for holding such a meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joshua O. Brown called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Mayor Brown gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Mike Phillips led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

The following members of the Council were present:

- Joshua O. Brown, Mayor
- Pete Sellers, Mayor Pro Tempore / Councilmember, District 1
- Mike Phillips, Councilmember, District 2
- Matt Franklin, Councilmember, District 3
- Tyrone Thompson, Councilmember, District 4
- Chris Norman, Sr., Councilmember, District 5

STAFF AND OTHERS PRESENT

- Scotty Lewis, City Attorney
- Rita Diedtrich, City Clerk
- Jessica Powers, City Treasurer / Finance Director
- Haley Kern, Community Relations Director
- Clair Dorough, City Planner
- Jimmy Stracener, Interim Police Chief
- Mike Minchew, Fire Chief
- Jody McMillan, Grounds and Parks Superintendent
- Liana Barnett, Human Resources Director
- Shemeika Brock, Human Resource

- Blake Clark, Recreation Director
- Jason Padgett, NBU General Manager
- Jeff Schmitz, Alabama Power
- Kristy Styron, North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce
- Theresa Grundman, WKRG Digital Content Producer

GUEST

- North Baldwin Chamber of Commerce Junior Ambassadors:
 - Patrick Fitzgerald
 - Elinor Landenwich
 - Layla Lee
 - Braxton Roberts
 - Taylor Quinn

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve the Minutes of the City Council Meeting and Work Session held on January 20, 2026.

Councilmember Thompson made the motion. Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve the Revised Accounts Payable for February 2, 2026, in the amount of **\$475,355.82**.

Councilmember Phillips made the motion. Councilmember Franklin seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

RECOGNITIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- None.

OLD BUSINESS

Consideration of Ordinance on Second Reading

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve **Ordinance 1066**, rescinding Ordinance 985, Ordinance 1047, and Ordinance 1063, and establishing the election and appointment of City officers.

Councilmember Thompson made the motion. Councilmember Franklin seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolutions

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution 0226-01**, a Resolution Appointing Municipal Non-Elected Public Officials for the City of Bay Minette.

Councilmember Thompson moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Norman and unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution 0226-02**, a Resolution Appointing the City Attorney for the City of Bay Minette.

Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Thompson and unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution 0226-03**, a Resolution to Accept GOMESA Grant Award G-BMNPED/25/CBM from ADCNR for the Master Plan and Engineering Design of a New City Park.

Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Franklin and unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution 0226-04**, a Resolution Declaring Certain Personal Property Located at Holly Hills Municipal Golf Course as Surplus and Authorizing its Disposition.

Councilmember Franklin moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Norman and unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution 0226-05**, a Resolution Recognizing and Memorializing a Public-Private Partnership between the City of Bay Minette and Novelis for Coordinated Public Safety Training, Emergency Response and Community Preparedness. Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Norman and unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution 0226-06**, a Resolution to Reduce the License Agreement fee for the John F. Rhodes Civic Center for the Tom Kelly Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation for Friday, February 27, 2026 and to the request to apply for a Special Events Permit to Serve Alcohol at the Event.

Councilmember Franklin moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Norman and unanimously carried.

Mayor Brown requested a motion to approve **Resolution 0226-07**, a Resolution to Transfer the State of Alabama Alcoholic Beverage Control Board (ABC) License from US Food Market, LLC to Bright Bay, LLC.

Councilmember Phillips moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tempore Sellers and unanimously carried.

REPORT OF THE MAYOR AND/OR COUNCIL

Mayor Brown announced:

- The next regular City Council Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, February 18, 2026**, due to City holidays.
- **Foodie Friday** will be held Friday, February 6, 2026, at Blackburn Park from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brown requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Phillips moved to adjourn.

Councilmember Thompson seconded the motion, and the motion unanimously carried.

Done this 2nd day of February, 2026.

Attest:



Rita Diedtrich, City Clerk



Joshua O. Brown, Mayor

