

July 27, 2026

Mayor Sharrard opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with a prayer by Councilmember Awrey at 7:00PM on Monday, July 27, 2026. The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America followed the invocation. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers, located at City Hall, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord, Michigan.

Members Present: Sharrard, Ouellette, Kennedy, Jaques, Witt, Awrey and Welitzkin

Members Absent: None

Motion by Witt, supported by Jaques to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the July 13, 2026 meeting and accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Jaques, supported by Witt to approve the amendment of the previously approved minutes of the April 27, 2026 meeting to correct an omission of agenda item #28 – Approval of Café Permit for Brennan's Up North. It was moved by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to approve the Café Permit. The motion was carried by a vote of all ayes from council members in attendance.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Communications: None

Public Comment: Mr. Enders, H. Mason, S. Loubert, C. Ryder, A. Hamilton, M. Derenzy all spoke during public comment.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Motion by Witt, supported by Ouellette to approve the Request for Usage of Green Space from the Otsego County Fair Board on August 14 and 15 2026, the corner of Shipp and North Otsego with the following stipulation: (1) provide copy of certificate of liability insurance.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Chris Knight from the Otsego County Library presented regarding the Library Renewal that is on the August Ballot.

Regarding the Bid/Request for City Wide Residential Trash Service, a motion was made by Witt, supported by Welitzkin to direct staff to create a proposed RFP.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Jaques, supported by Witt to approve the Bid from Bulldog Painting in the amount of \$41,200.00 to paint the WWTP Buildings.

Ayes: unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Welitzkin supported by Witt to approve the Audio/Visual Bid that was received from Crescent Digital, LLC.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ouellette supported by Witt to appoint Andrea Boguth as the new city clerk. On July 13, 2026, Council received and accepted a resignation letter from the current clerk, Jennifer Molski with an effective date of Friday, August 21st. The new clerk will be sworn in prior to the scheduled council meeting on Monday, August 24, 2026.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Welitzkin, supported by Awrey to Approve and accept the RFP from Revize for city's Website Upgrade.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

No other business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Jennifer Molski, City Clerk

Todd Sharrard, Mayor
