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Bagley Senior Center Menu

May 4 - May 8

Monday: Sloppy Joe with bun, baked beans, potato salad and Rice Krispy Bar

Tuesday: Baked chicken, Au gratin potatoes, carrots, and fruit

Wednesday: Meatballs, mashed potatoes with gravy, carrots and peas and pudding

Thursday: Vegetable soup, ham salad sandwich, fruit salad and cookie

Friday: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy and Rosy applesauce

Low fat milk, margarine and Bread included with meals.

- Meals are subject to change.
- Reservations by 10 am
- Meals Served at 11:30 am

Call Kay 9:30-1:00
Mon-Fri 218-694-6873

Suggested Donation for Seniors is \$6.00.
Under 60 is \$10.00

Clearbrook Senior Center Menu

May 4 - May 8

Monday: Sloppy Joe with bun, baked beans, potato salad and Rice Krispy Bar

Tuesday: Chicken pasta salad, bread stick, fruit juice, and fruit crisp

Wednesday: Meatballs, mashed potato with gravy, carrots and peas, pudding with topping

Thursday: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, glazed carrots and Rosy applesauce

Friday: Country fried steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, glazed carrots and Rosy applesauce

- Reservations by 9 am the day of 218-776-3154
- Low fat milk, margarine and Bread included with meals.
- Meals are subject to change.

Senior Transportation Service

Clearwater County residents who are 60 & over. Rides are scheduled Monday-Friday. 48-hour notice required. Call 218-888-2320 to schedule.

**This project is made possible in part under the Federal Older Americans Act through an award from the Land of the Dancing Sky Area Agency on Aging under an Area Plan approved by the Minnesota Board on Aging.

Clearwater County Food Shelf Hours

Clearwater County Food Shelf is open every Wednesday from 10 a.m.-2:00 p.m. in the basement of the Bagley American Legion (go to the back door).

Monetary contributions can be mailed to Clearwater County Food Shelf, PO Box 578, Bagley, MN 56621.

Food donations can be dropped off at the Food Shelf on Wednesdays.

RIDER ALERT

Clearwater County Service on T.H.E. Bus

* Countywide: 7:30 am - 4:30 pm - Mon - Fri
10 am - 4 pm - 2nd, 4th - Sat

* Bemidji: 2nd, 4th - Friday
Ride reservations to Bemidji must be scheduled by 3 pm the day prior to the trip.

800-201-3432

Clearbrook City Council Minutes

CLEARBROOK COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS March 9, 2026

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Clearbrook City Council was held on March 9, 2026, in the City Council Chambers in the Clearbrook Community Center. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Dylan Goudge.

Present were Council Members: Dylan Goudge, Tom Davis, Ole Engbretson, Rachel Nelson and Dale Volstad; **Others present were** Jessica Solee, Ryan Solee, Mark Snobl, Lucie Thompson, Karra Weems, Ryan Rude, Jake Hagen, Juliegth Prosser, Kevin Prosser, Jeff Newman, Gary Prosser, Ashley Boomgaarden, Nancy Goudge, Mary Gustafson, Doug Moe, Corrine Richards, and Darin Steindl with the Farmers Independent.

Ole Engbretson made a motion to accept the approval of the February 10, 2026, regular council meeting minutes. Dale Volstad seconded the motion. Motion passed with all present voting in favor.

Presentation of Petitions and Complaints by Council Members and Citizens:

- Ashley Boomgaarden, Attorney, spoke with the council on the becoming the new City of Clearbrook Attorney. She is currently the attorney for the City of Bagley as well. No retainer required unless it is a big project that could be an ongoing matter. Rate would be \$160 per hour. MMS by Dale Volstad and Tom Davis to approve Boomgaarden Law PC as the new city attorney. MC.
- Gary Prosser spoke with the council about the fundraising efforts for restoring the music on Main Street. The City of Clearbrook was awarded a grant of \$5,500 from Enbridge to cover the cost of removing the current trees on Main Street and replacing with new trees. Just waiting for the funds to be distributed. Gary looked into the cost of a music streaming service for Main Street.
- Doug Moe at 215 Main Street NW asked about an easement to his property next to the RV

park. He would like to build a garage on his property but would need a way to access the garage. Further discussion at the next meeting.

Police Report/Update – Ryan Solee, Chief of Police

• 43 calls for service (CFS) in February 2026.

Fire Department Report/Update – Ryan Rude, Fire Chief

- 16 calls in February 2026 – 10 medicals, 1 meeting, 2 canceled in route, 1 vehicle accident, 1 hazmat & 1 training.
- The annual Fish Fry Fundraiser will be held Saturday, April 25th in the gym at the Clearbrook Community Center.
- Received quotes to replace the outdated SCBAs. One quote is for \$97,065 and one is for \$97,654.50 which would be replacing 10 outdated SCBAs. The department will demo each type of SCBA to determine which would be better for them. Looking into a low interest loan to purchase the new SCBAs.

Liquor Store Report/Update – Karra Weems, Liquor Store Manager:

- Bingo will be held on March 14th. Next karaoke night will be April 3rd. Karra will be speaking with Naylor to have the hood fixed. A large amount of food is prepared each day and would help keep the kitchen cooler and help with the smell.

Maintenance Report/Update: - Mark Snobl & Nick Rankin

- Punch list items have not been completed for the water treatment plant yet.
- Streetlights on the east side of Main Street have not been working correctly. There is no warranty on the streetlights. Dany Brein will look at the electrical system for the streetlights when the weather improves.
- **City Clerk Update:**
- The garbage survey results were 37 yes responses and 27 no responses. The council is not deciding on garbage pickup currently. Will work with the garbage company for a possible compromise.
- Discussed the possibility of

being able to utilize the grant funds for a new multipurpose building. The funds are American Rescue Plan funds. Need to have the project completed by 12/31/26, no extensions. MMS by Dale Volstad and Ole Engbretson to move forward with the building. A project manager needs to be hired. The city received only 1 application for project manager. An interview was held. Kevin Prosser was hired as the project manager.

• Discussed final pay application and change order for the water & sewer project. Final pay application is \$158,165.57. MMS by Ole Engbretson and Tom Davis to approve the final pay application #17 for Reierson Construction for \$158,165.57 and approve the final change order. MC. No payment will be made to Reierson Construction until the final paperwork is received.

Resolutions:

- Resolution 2026-05: Approval of Donations for February 2026 – Rachel Nelson made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-05: Donations for February 2026; Tom Davis seconded the motion; all others present approved; motion carried.
- **OTHER MOTIONS:**
- Monthly Claims Totaling \$38,883.30; Tom Davis and Dale Volstad made and seconded a motion to accept as presented. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.
- Additional Claims Totaling \$159,586.21; Tom Davis and Dale Volstad made and seconded a motion to accept as presented. All present voted in favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT: M.M.S. Rachel Nelson and Tom Davis adjourn. All in favor; motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 pm.

ATTEST:
Dylan Goudge,
Mayor
Lucie Thompson,
City Clerk Treasurer

County Board of Commissioners Minutes

Board of Commissioners' April 14, 2026

The April 14, 2026, meeting for the Clearwater County Board of Commissioners commenced at 9:00 a.m. with Chairman Titera presiding and Commissioners Larson, Dukek, Emmel and Ramsrud present. The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda- Motion by Commissioner Dukek, seconded by Commissioner Emmel and carried, to approve the agenda.

Minutes- Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Ramsrud and carried, to approve March 17th, 2026, Board Minutes.

Assessor- Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to hire Kathryn Lien as a Part Time Assessor Clerk for 1040 hours per year at Range 10 Step 1, effective the week of May 4th, 2026.

Environmental Services- Motion by Commissioner Dukek, seconded by Commissioner Ramsrud and carried, to accept the proposal dated January 7, 2026, from Baun Intertec, Bloomington, MN in the amount of \$6,790.00 per year for 2026 and 2027 groundwater monitoring services for demolition landfill, to be paid from landfill account #392-6261.

Motion by Commissioner Emmel, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to accept the proposal dated March 19, 2026, from Wiseth, Crookston, MN in the amount of approximately \$11,000.00 per year for 2026 and 2027 general engineering and annual reporting services for the demolition landfill, to be paid from landfill account #392-6261.

Land & Forestry- Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Ramsrud and carried, to approve the purchase of a 2026 Ford F350 pickup from Midway Ford at the price of \$49,685 plus tax and licensing from the County Park Fund.

Auditor- Motion by Commissioner Emmel, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to authorize the County Auditor to pay the submitted invoices of \$380,307.83 from the County Revenue Fund and \$41,026.19 from the Public Health Fund.

Motion by Commissioner Ramsrud, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to designate the County

Auditor-Treasurer's Office located in the Clearwater County Courthouse as the polling place for the South Clearwater 143-36 and Red Lake Reservation precincts for the 2026 Election Cycle.

Motion by Commissioner Emmel, seconded by Commissioner Dukek and carried, to designate the County Auditor-Treasurer to establish an Absentee, Mail and UOCAVA Ballot Board consisting of the Auditor-Treasurer Office Staff and election judges effective for the 2026 Primary and General Elections.

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Ramsrud and carried, to approve the Forfeited Tax Sale Fund Budget for fiscal year 2025. (This motion was missed by the Land Department in 2024).

Engineer- Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Dukek and carried, to approve payment of the Clearwater County Highway Department bills as presented.

Motion by Commissioner Emmel, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to accept the Engineer's Certificate of Performance for SAP 015-642-003, and SAP 015-657-001 and to concur with the City of Clearbrook to authorize final payment to Reierson Construction.

Motion by Commissioner Dukek, seconded by Commissioner Ramsrud and carried, to authorize the purchase of a new John Deere 670P motor grader with plow equipment and trade in Unit 2 from McCoy Construction and Forestry of Grand Rapids, Minnesota in the amount of \$325,000.00. Purchase is through Sourcewell cooperative purchase contract.

By general consent, the board waived the 3-day notice requirement for the following motion:

Attorney- Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Emmel and carried, to spend approximately \$1,286.94 from the County Attorney forfeiture fund to purchase new chairs and chair mats.

Adjourn- Motion by Commissioner Dukek, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Dated: April 21, 2026.
Lori Lewis, Board Coordinator
Mark Titera, Chairman

Motion by Commissioner Larson, seconded by Commissioner Ramsrud and carried, to approve the Forfeited Tax Sale Fund Budget for fiscal year 2025. (This motion was missed by the Land Department in 2024).

ACCOUNTS	REVENUES	EXPENDITURES
13-650 Forfeited Tax Sales	\$381,520	\$381,520
13-651 Timber Development	\$30,220	\$74,218
13-652 In Lieu	\$52,800	\$55,898
13-655 County Forest Roads	\$24,000	\$45,000
	\$498,540	\$556,636

Motion by Commissioner Dukek, seconded by Commissioner Titera and carried, to approve the Forfeited Tax Sale Fund Budget for fiscal year 2026. (This motion was missed by the Land Department in 2025).

ACCOUNTS	REVENUES	EXPENDITURES
13-650 Forfeited Tax Sales	\$325,470	\$250,240
13-651 Timber Development	\$66,461	\$66,461
13-652 In Lieu	\$52,800	\$59,861
13-655 County Forest Roads	\$34,000	\$23,000
	\$478,731	\$399,562

Dan Sauve & Camron Herriman were present to open bids at 10:00 a.m. for SAP 015-612-003: Bridge replacement on CSAH-12-Bids were as follows.

1. Knife River Materials	\$499,669.00
2. Midwest Contracting	\$306,940.00
3. Landwehr Construction	\$354,941.00
4. LP Contracting LLC	\$428,790.00
5. Triple D Construction & Leasing	\$349,813.00
6. Reierson Construction, Inc.	\$356,657.00
7. Gladen Construction	\$333,557.00
8. Johnson Construction Company	\$283,968.97
9. Northern Harbor Construction	\$315,330.00
10. Casper Construction	\$328,505.00

Notice of Temporary Closure to Lake Lomond Water Access

Beginning May 11th, 2026, the public water access on Lake Lomond in the City of Bagley will be temporarily closed while bituminous improvements to Tad Pole Lane are being constructed. The water access is anticipated to be reopened on May 23rd, 2026. Final touch-up work and bituminous striping will be completed by May 29th, 2026. The contractor will make their best efforts to have the boat access open during the weekends and throughout construction when possible.

INVITATION TO BID Notice is hereby given that CLEARWATER-POLK ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE BAGLEY, MINNESOTA will accept SINGLE PRIME BID Proposals to include ALL Construction Work for CORPORATE OFFICE AND SHOP BAGLEY, MN

according to Drawings and Specifications prepared by Michael J. Burns Architects, Ltd., 824 Center Avenue, Moorhead, Minnesota.

Sealed proposals will be received and opened at the Coop's Conference Room in Bagley, MN until 4:00 PM, Tuesday, May 26, 2026.

Bids must be delivered before the time and date indicated above. The face of the envelopes containing the bids or the subject line in the e-mail proposals shall show the Contractor's name, address and be endorsed:

"Corporate Office and Shop, Bagley, MN"
Documents may be examined at:
FM Builders Exchange, 1010 Page Drive, Fargo, ND
Grand Forks Builders Exchange
Builders Exchanges in Minneapolis, St. Paul and St. Cloud, MN
Construction Bulletin, 9443 Science Center Drive, New Hope, MN 55428
Reed Construction Data, Norcross, GA
F.W. Dodge Plan Room, 7600 Parklawn Avenue, Suite 352, Edina, MN
iSqFt and AGC of Minnesota Plan Room
McGraw Hill, Minneapolis, MN
Offices of the Owner in Bagley, MN
Offices of the Architect at 824 Center Avenue, Moorhead, MN.

The following is the list of INVITED Bidders:

- General Contractors:
Community Contractors, Inc., Grand Forks
Construction Engineers, Inc., Grand Forks, ND
Gordon Construction, Mahnomon, MN
Gustafson and Goudge, Clearbrook, MN
ICS, Inc., Grand Forks, ND
Kraus Anderson, Bemidji, MN
Ledgestone Construction, Detroit Lakes, MN
Nor-Son Construction, Baxter, MN

Invited Contractors are encouraged to reach out to local Clearwater County and surrounding area contractors to assist with portions of the work.

Bidders may secure hard copies of the bid documents at their own expense through Applied Engineering, Fargo, ND. 701.281.1884. Electronic copies of the proposed Bid Documents may be obtained by e-mail: luke@mjbaldt.com. Bidder's Bond in the amount of 5% of the Base Bid. Acknowledgement of the Addendums received shall also be identified on the envelope containing the bid. The Bidder shall provide proof that they are currently legally registered with the MN Secretary of State and the Department of Labor and Industry.

Bid bonds shall be made payable to Clearwater-Polk Electric Cooperative.

Bid security of the two lowest Bidders will be retained until Contract has been awarded and executed, but no longer than 60 days.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids and to waive informalities therein. The Owner further reserves the right to hold all legitimate proposals and the bid security of the two lowest Bidders for a period of Sixty (60) days after the date fixed for the opening thereof until Contracts have been awarded and executed.

Published for Clearwater-Polk Electric Coop by their authority. Dated this 20th day of April 2026.

By: Ms. Deanna LeFebvre, General Manager

EXHIBIT A NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE FACILITIES MAINTENANCE BONDS TO FINANCE PROJECTS INCLUDED IN THE DISTRICT'S TEN-YEAR FACILITIES PLAN

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2311 (CLEARBROOK-GONVICK) CLEARWATER AND POLK COUNTIES, MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the School Board of Independent School District No. 2311 (Clearbrook-Gonvick), Clearwater and Polk Counties, Minnesota (the "District"), intends to issue its General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2026A (the "Bonds"), in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$4,000,000, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended, and Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.595 as amended. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance certain projects included in the District's ten-year facilities plan and related financing costs. A general description of the projects to be financed is as follows:

•Roofing and deferred maintenance projects included in the District's ten-year facilities plan approved by the Commissioner of Education.

The total amount of District indebtedness as of April 1, 2026, is \$1,510,000. If these proposed Bonds were issued after that date, the total indebtedness of the District at that time would be \$5,510,000.

Dated: April 20, 2026

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

Kayla Koop
Clerk of the School Board
Independent School District No. 2311
(Clearbrook-Gonvick), Clearwater and Polk Counties,
Minnesota

Independent School Dist. 162 Bagley, Minnesota

BAGLEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING APRIL 6, 2026 SUMMARY

A work session and regular meeting of the School Board, Independent School District #162 was held on April 6, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. in BHS Room 101. Members present: Michael Mathison, Wendy Fultz, Amanda Koop, Andrew Bennett, Dany Ekre, John Gerbracht, Darin Klostermeier, and Superintendent Dr. Heise. Members absent: None.

M/S Ekre, Gerbracht to approve the agenda. MP 7-0.

M/S Fultz, Koop to approve the following consent agenda items:

- Minutes – March 16th

- Hire – Tiffany Gerbracht MP 7-0.
- M/S Bennett, Fultz rescind VIG's Dell 3120 Chromebook bid in the amount of \$61,574.70 and accept VIG's Dell Chromebook 11 bid in the amount \$65,369.70. MP 7-0.

M/S Koop, Gerbracht to accept the 1:1 Initiative 4-year financial proposal of Apple Finance in the amount of \$288,423.36. MP 7-0.

Fultz moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Michael Mathison,
Chairman
Wendy Fultz, Clerk

All reports, budget information, bids, etc. may be viewed and/or questions answered at ISD #162's District Office, 202 Bagley Ave NW, Bagley, MN. 218-694-6184

Veterans

Are welcome to join their peers at the D&R Café in Bagley on Wednesday mornings at 9 a.m. for coffee and a chat.

Open Hours Bagley Public Library

Tuesday: 1-7
Wednesday: 9-5
Thursday: 1-7
Friday: 9-5
Saturday: 9-1
Closed Sunday-Monday

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Bemidji DAV Van

The Bemidji DAV Van runs through Shevlin, Bagley, Fosston, Clearbrook, and Leonard at no cost to Veterans 5 days a week except on holidays.

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