

A regular meeting of the Bad Axe City Council was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, February 2, 2026, by Mayor Particka.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Particka, Council Members: Rochefort, Harrison, Robinson, Klaska, Rapson.  
 Absent: Kerr.  
 Staff: City Manager Bachman, City Clerk, Zagorski.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Rapson second by Rochefort to approve the, January 20, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Voice vote: all voting aye.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. First Reading for Ordinance 2026-1; An Ordinance for Residential Solar Energy Systems and Battery Storage Systems. (Article XII, Section 1219.)
  - (a) Discuss Permit Fee along with Annual Renewal Fee.
2. Motion by Rapson second by Rochefort to approve the reappointment of Leonard Particka to the Board of Review for another 3-year term.

AYES: Rapson, Harrison, Klaska, Rochefort, Robinson.  
 NO: None.  
 ABSTAIN: Particka.

3. Crysta Ransom-Soper-Parks and Rec Presentation to Council.

### **Recommendations from Finance Committee**

Finance Minutes: January 20, 2026

1. Motion by Rapson second by Harrison to approve the 2026 Bad Axe Area Fire Department Budget.

AYES: Rapson, Harrison, Klaska, Rochefort, Robinson, Particka.  
 NO: None.

2. Motion by Rapson second by Particka for the approval of the payment of bills: \$120,284.24.

-January 21, 2026  
 -January 28, 2026

AYES: Harrison, Klaska, Rochefort, Robinson, Rapson, Particka.  
 NO: None.

### **Mayor and Council Comments**

1. Rochefort suggested looking into getting grants for new cameras, and the servers for the cameras, he also thanked City Manager Bachman for collaborating with Congresswoman McClain and Alexander's office to apply for grants for the city.
2. Klaska stated that State Rep. Greg Alexander meets one time per month at the airport, and he attended the monthly meeting. He also thanked the city employees for live streaming the meetings and for getting microphones working for the meetings.
3. Robinson would like the public to know that the 5-Year Parks and Recreation Plan is about a Parks and Recreation Development Program, not just the Skate Park Development.
4. Mayor Particka attended Mr. Wurst's book signing at the Bad Axe District Library last Thursday, and stated that it was very interesting. She encourages everyone to attend and support the people that have events within the city and at the library.
5. City Manager Bachman asked council to please think about potential events that the city could do to celebrate the Country's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

### **Council Information**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Particka second by Rochefort to adjourn at 7:12 p.m.  
Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

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Kathleen Particka, Mayor

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Tara Zagorski, City Clerk