

**City of Biddeford**  
**City Council**  
**March 3, 2026 at 6:00 PM**  
**City Hall Council Chambers & Teams**

**1. Roll Call**

Council President Beaupre - present

Councilor Lessard - present

Councilor Vadnais - present

Councilor Boston - present

Councilor Woods - excused

Council Doughty - present

Councilor Kurtz – arrived at 6:17 pm

Councilor Pierson - present

Councilor Cote - present

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Adjustment(s) to Agenda**

Item 10.b. will be removed.

One executive session for legal items will be added to item 17.

**4. Employee Recognition**

*4.a Employee Recognition*

Mayor LaFountain read the list of employees who have received recent recognition.

**5. Proclamation**

*5.a Black Balloon Day*

Mayor LaFountain read the proclamation.

**6. Appointments**

*6.a 2026.33 Approval/ Mayor Appointments to a Committee-Citizen*

Motion: Councilor Beaupre

Second: Councilor Lessard

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion passed.

**7. Presentations**

*7.a Update on Lester B. Orcutt Survey Work*

Public Works Director Jeff Demers gave an update on the project.

**8. Public Addressing the Council**

Director of Heart of Biddeford, Delilah Poupore spoke about some activities that her team will be doing for city employees in recognition of National Employee Appreciation week.

One citizen spoke about gaps and the many needs of city infrastructure.

**9. Consideration of Minutes**

*9.a Council Minutes 2-17-26*

Motion: Councilor Beaupre

Second: Councilor Lessard

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Minutes approved.

## **10. Orders of the Day**

### *10.a 2026.19 Approval Bid CSO Alfred Street Phase 3*

Motion: Councilor Beaupre

Second: Councilor Lessard

City Engineer Chekan reviewed the project.

Councilors commented about the necessity of the project. They had questions about the funding sources, the potential timing of the FY 24 audit and the bond process.

Public Works Director Demers said once the project begins, he will provide monthly updates to the council as he has done with past projects.

Vote: 7 yeas — Councilors Lessard, Vadnais, Cote, Pierson, Kurtz, Doughty and Beaupre.

1 nay — Councilor Boston.

Motion passed.

### *10.b 2026.34 Approval of CBIZ auditing firm for FY24 audit*

Item removed from the agenda.

### *10.c 2026.31 Revised Division 2 Emergency Medical Services Ordinance Sec. 30-26 through Sec. 30-30*

Motion: Councilor Beaupre

Second: Councilor Lessard

Fire Chief Best reviewed the proposed language changes and answered questions about the ambulance fees.

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion passed.

### *10.d 2026.32 Approval/Public Works Non-Supervisor Negotiator*

Motion: Councilor Beaupre

Second: Councilor Lessard

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion passed.

### **11. Public Addressing the Council**

One citizen commented about the procurement process.

One citizen commented about transparency.

### **12. City Manager Report**

City Manager Truc Dever gave an update on the Comp Plan progress; she also gave an update on Maine Water's progress with sewer billing. The comp/class review has begun and she will provide updates. The budget calendar has been shared and is waiting final approval to be posted.

### **13. Committee Updates by Council**

Policy – Councilor Beaupre gave an update on the Mobile Home, Solar and EV ordinances progress.

Traffic and Veterans Committee meetings were cancelled for storms recently.

Ward meetings – Councilors Doughty, Boston, Kurtz and Cote gave updates on their Ward meetings.

Councilor Boston gave an update on the Institutional Zone Committee progress and timeline.

### **14. Other Business**

None

### **15. Council President Addressing the Council**

Council President Beaupre commented on the challenge to reschedule meetings due to the availability of Council Chambers. He suggested using the OWL and other technologies that would help committees use other buildings and meeting spaces.

## **16. Mayor Addressing the Council**

Mayor LaFountain spoke about the sewer/water bills. Their number is 800-287-1643.

He met with a county group, Yorkcountyfoodhub.org, that is working to provide food services.

He reminded everyone that the Charter Revision Commission nomination papers are available in the Clerks office and there is information on the city website.

## **17. Executive Session**

*17.a Executive Session 1 MRS 405 6 (a ) Personnel Matters*

Motion to enter at 7:35 pm by Councilor Beaupre

Second: Councilor Lessard

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion passed.

Motion to come out of executive session at 8:56 pm by Councilor Lessard

Second: Councilor Beaupre.

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion passed.

Motion to extend the meeting until 10:00 pm by Councilor Lessard

Second: Councilor Beaupre

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion passed.

Motion to re-enter Executive Session – Legal Matter by Councilor Lessard at 8:56 pm

Second: Councilor Beaupre

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion passed.

Motion to exit executive session at 9:26 pm by Councilor Lessard

Second: Councilor Beaupre

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Motion passed.

### **18. Adjourn**

Motion at 9:26 pm by Councilor Lessard

Second: Councilor Beaupre

Vote: Unanimous in favor.

Meeting adjourned.