

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, May 15, 2025, in the council chambers at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Lance Smiga called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The council stood for prayer by Andy Brzozowski followed by the council and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor Lance Smiga, Councilperson District 2 Katrina Callis, Councilperson District 3 Chris Jackson, Councilperson District 4 Mike Dodds, Councilperson District 5 Amanda Friedrich were present. City Manager Gary Broz, Utility Director Brad Ryan, Police Chief Kenneth Pyle, Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski, and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. Councilperson District 1 Cipriano Palacios and Finance Director Valerie Callaway were absent. City Secretary Robinson recorded the minutes.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 1, 2025:

Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve May 1, 2025, minutes. Councilperson Friedrich seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Mike Jordan, Lydia Jordan, Shannon Parker-TDEM, Amelia Smiga, Sara Smiga, Harrison Smiga, Bailey Yehl

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

"During the council meeting, as each item is addressed, the council shall also allow the audience to speak on any subject matter that is posted on the agenda in accordance with HB 2840. The council may not take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda." Please limit two minutes.

ISSUE CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION AND ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE FOR MAYOR, COUNCILPERSON DISTRICT 1 AND COUNCILPERSON DISTRICT 2:

City Secretary Robinson administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Lance Smiga and Councilperson District 2 Katrina Callis. Councilperson District 1 Cipriano Palacios was absent. Mayor, District 1 and 2 was unopposed on May 3, 2025, in the General Election.

MAYOR APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM FOR (1) YEAR TERM AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Mayor Lance Smiga stated Councilperson District 4 Mike Dodds has done a good job and would like to keep him as Mayor Pro-Tem for another year. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve Mike Dodds as Mayor Pro-Tem for another year. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AWARDED BIDS FOR DEMOLITION OF PROPERTIES AT 808 FIRST ST., 513 SAYLES ST., 710 WASHINGTON, 814 ERIE AND 616 MARTIN LUTHER KING:

City Manager Gary Broz stated the Building and Standards approved 808 First, 513 Sayles, 710 Washington, 814 Erie, and 616 Martin Luther King St. for demolition. Broz stated we received bids from WTS and Triple J. Broz stated WTS bids were lower, so he recommends WTS. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to award WTS to demo the properties. Councilperson Friedrich seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION MEMBERS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated we need members for the Planning and Zoning Commission. Broz stated we need to remove three from the list. Leighton Smith resigned, Timothy Gonzales has missed a lot of meetings and Erchila Lee has passed away. Broz stated Mike Jordan was asked to join the Planning and Zoning Commission and has accepted. Councilperson Mike Dodds approve to have the above three name removed and will add Mike Jordan. Councilperson Jackson seconded. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

City Manager Gary Broz stated Ash Street needs sewer repair. Broz stated the Water Department tried to complete it, but it is a 1930 sewer line, and it is continuing to crumble. Broz stated they have received bids for completion of \$100,000.00. Broz stated they will be able to start immediately. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the bid plus 10 percent. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

The City Manager stated that we need to pay bills totaling \$199,770.36. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve paying bills totaling \$199,770.36. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

"At this time, City Council will hear reports / updates on all committees or department assignments which may include, but is not limited to the following: City Manager-grants, projects, public information; Finance Director-finance & department reports; Police Department-grant updates, police reports; Director of Utilities-park reports, water & sewer updates; Street Department-repairs/projects; Code Enforcement-progress reports; Jonas Titus-Victoria Economic Development; City Secretary-public information.

City Manager Broz stated Sewer line issues on Ash Street-staff replaced some pipe and need to replace more, GOLIVE is going fast-inspection, permits, and codes are moving now, down to 19 water meters to install, no news on the GLO/GCRPC Mit Drainage Grant, no news on the TWDB/FEMA Post Oak Drainage Project, CO Project will go to bid at the first of the month, brush is averaging around 90 per week, continuing to work on Hurricane Contracts, Valerie is continuing to work on financials- October to April summary sheet is enclosed, sales tax report is enclosed, starting budget-need to pencil July 16 and 17 for workshops, grass is growing, still need to paint the pipe at Shelby Park, continuing to monitor the Legislature in Austin.

Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski stated that they have been spraying for mosquitoes with the new fogger, the gradall is back in town and ready to go, final states of getting our street R.O.W.s shredded, mowed and trimmed the sidewalks on Allen, Main Street and Appollo Drive, trimming behind shredders, teamed with the Water Department on a sewer line repair on Ash St., installed a new culvert on W. Cypress Street.

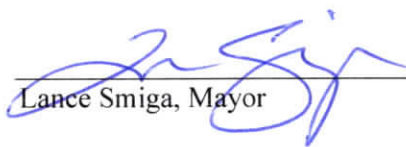
Utility Director Brad Ryan stated they repaired water main on Dugger St., sewer tap at 708 Buttercup, water tap at 308 Colorado, sewer line on Ash St. replaced 100' and three taps, water leak at 111 Brown, 401 Brackenridge and 507 Frank White St.

Police Chief Kenneth Pyle stated that from the last council meeting, Edna PD completed 43 traffic stops, resulting in 18 citations, 37 warnings were issued, 3 arrests were made due to a variety of offenses. EPD had 246 calls for service, Reality Check this past Tuesday at EHS, EPD assisted the

Jackson County Sheriff's Office with a warrant at the Shack in LaSalle, hired a secretary, currently completing a background investigation on a patrol officer, May 19th Lt. and I will be at the Capitol for eGrants training, spoke with some 2nd graders at the Chamber of Commerce about what the EPD do on a daily basis.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Dodds made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.


Lance Smiga, Mayor

LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary