

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, July 3, 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 1 Cipriano Palacios, Councilperson District 3 Chris Jackson, and Councilperson District 5 Amanda Friedrich were present. City Manager Gary Broz, Finance Director Valerie Callaway, Utility Director Brad Ryan, Police Chief Kenneth Pyle, Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski, and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. Councilperson District 2 Katrina Callis and Councilperson District 4 Mike Dodds were absent. City Secretary Robinson recorded the minutes.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD JUNE 19, 2025:

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve June 19, 2025, minutes. Councilperson Palacios seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS:

Zane Charbuk - CivilCorp

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 to two minutes.

DISCUSS AND AWARD BID FOR PHASE ONE – 2024 BOND PROJECT SEWER LINES REPLACEMENT AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that the city received 8 bids. Broz stated he was looking for ways to save money to complete the project. Zane with CivilCorp stated that TMS Utility, LLC was the low bidder, and they have completed work in Victoria, TX. Zane stated he completed a reference check and TMS Utility LLC received good reviews. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to award the bid to TMS Utility, LLC for pipe bursting. Councilperson Palacios seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

RECEIVE AND DISCUSS THE 2024 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT FOR PUBLIC WATER SYSTEMS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Utility Director Brad Ryan stated that the 2024 Consumer Confidence Report was good. Ryan stated all numbers were within acceptable limits and the report passed. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the 2024 Consumer Confidence Report. Councilperson Palacios seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

No action taken.

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

The City Manager stated that bills totaling \$58,544.45 need to be paid. Councilperson Friedrich made a motion to approve paying the bills totaling \$58,544.45. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

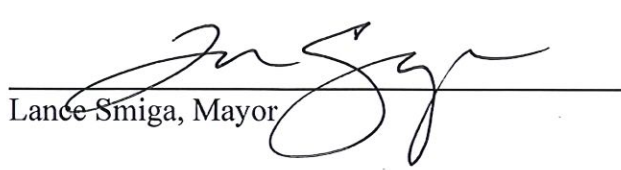
“At this time, City Council will hear reports/updates on all committees or department assignments, which may include, but are not limited to the following: City Manager—grants, projects, public information; Finance Director—finance & department reports; Police Department—grant updates, police reports; 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 the rain has been beneficial, but grass is growing quickly, creating more drainage concerns. The city did not receive the MIT Grant in July. He is continuing to respond to RFIs for the Post Oak Branch Grant. CSRS will attend the July 17th Council Meeting to present the Comprehensive Plan and Zoning. Inspections, permits, and code software implementation are going well; the court module is in the final stage. Only 6 meters remain to be replaced. Staff are in full budget mode. A draft will be provided on Friday, July 11th, for review ahead of the workshop on the 16th. The budget is very tight. Work continues on Storm Disaster Contracts. Clean-up is scheduled for next week. The GCRPC General Assembly Annual Meeting will be on August 27th from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at Blase's Hall. Five houses have been taken down. Building and Standards will meet Thursday, July 10th, regarding the properties on Church Street and Wells Street.
- **Finance Director Valerie Callaway** reported 16 new accounts and 32 closed accounts for June. Quarterly reports have been completed.
- **Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski** reported they have been spraying for mosquitoes and working during rain events to clean drains. The north ditch on Rowlett Street was regraded. Kenny and Joel have been using the Dura-Patcher as weather and time allow. For the stop sign project, all Posi-Loc stubs have been installed. The ETA on signs is late August. Crews have begun shredding the ROWs and removed silt and debris from the drainage discharge area of the railroad ditch at SH 111. A section of the ditch on East Church Street has also been cleaned.
- **Utility Director Brad Ryan** reported the repair of water leaks at 208 Erie and at Blackjack & North Kleas Street. They mowed the lift station and sewer plant, installed a new meter at the boys' field, jetted a sewer stoppage at 61 Fulton, and repaired a water main on Chase Street. New meters were installed at the old Magnum Bulk Water site and the High School Science Building. Pumps and floats were pulled at the West Main Lift Station. Sludge boxes were constructed, and disconnections and reconnections were completed.

- **Police Chief Kenneth Pyle** reported that since the last council meeting, Edna PD completed 31 traffic stops, resulting in 14 citations and 30 warnings. Six arrests were made for various offenses. EPD responded to 375 calls for service. In June there were five crash reports. A grant writer was brought in to assist with current grants and, pending Council approval, will continue for future grants. A new patrol unit was received from Enterprise, and on-site decals are scheduled for July 14th. On June 19th, Edna Junior High was broken into by three juveniles, all of whom have been arrested.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Jackson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Councilperson Friedrich seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.


Lance Smiga, Mayor


LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary