



Regular Council Meeting  
August 19, 2025  
6:00 P.M.

**Minutes**

1. Call to Order, roll call, establish a quorum.  
**Mayor Humphrey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Council members Carr, Bowie, Williams, Foster and Thompson.**
2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance  
**Invocation given by Mayor Humphrey, Pledge led by Chief McCrary**
3. Public Comments  

Pursuant to Government regulations the Mayor and City Council are not permitted to comment or engage in discussions on non-agenda items. For non-agenda items - Each speaker will be given 3 minutes, not to exceed a total allotted time of fifteen minutes. For agenda items - Speakers will be given 3 minutes each.

**No public comments given.**
4. Consent Agenda:
  - Minutes for July 15, 2025 Regular Council meeting
  - Statement of Revenue and Expenditures for all Funds
  - Check Register for all Funds
  - Police and Fire Department Reports

**Motion made by Council member Bowie to accept the consent agenda as presented, Motion seconded by Council member Carr. All voted in favor of, motion carried.**
5. Consider and take official action adopting Resolution 25-R-04, a Resolution supporting the Candidacy of Mayor Jesse Casey of Hallsville, Texas for the position of President-elect of the Texas Municipal League.  
**Motion made by Council member Carr to adopt Resolution 25-R-04. Motion seconded by Council member Bowie. All voted in favor of, motion carried.**
6. Consider and take official action to accept Resolution 23-R-01 as is, or amend, adopting an Investment Policy and Strategy for the City of New Boston, naming the City Administrator and City Secretary as investment officers.  
**Motion made by Council member Bowie to acknowledge and accept Resolution 23-R-01 as is with no changes. Motion seconded by Council member Carr. All voted in favor of, motion carried.**

7. Consider and take official action adopting the First Amendment to Water Distribution and Supply Contract between Riverbend Water Resources District , the City of Texarkana, and the City of New Boston (member city).

Motion made by Council member Carr to adopt the First Amendment to Water Distribution and Supply Contract with the understanding that should Riverbend change the wording in the contract during their September meeting the city council would be able to reconsider the terms of the contract as it has not been passed by Riverbend as of this date. Motion seconded by Council member Bowie. All voted in favor of, motion carried.

8. Consider and take official action to adopt ordinance 25-O-02, **ORDINANCE OUTLAWING ABORTION, DECLARING NEW BOSTON A SANCTUARY CITY FOR THE UNBORN, MAKING VARIOUS PROVISIONS AND FINDINGS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Motion made by Council member Bowie to adopt ordinance 25-O-02. Motion seconded by Council member Foster. Mark Dickson with Right to Life Across Texas presented to the city council details as to how the ordinance was created and is being implemented across the state of Texas to protect unborn children. Although the city will have no legal authority to enforce the ordinance, it makes the statement that the City of New Boston will be a sanctuary city for the unborn. The Mayor then asked for a vote. Council members Williams, Foster, and Thompson voted in favor of. Council member Bowie voted against. Council Member Carr abstained from the vote. Motion passed.

9. Consider and take official action to loan the “True Love is Often Stormy” – a 16” x 24” oil-on-canvas painting gifted to the City of New Boston by J. Craig Thorpe on August 1, 2025 at a value of \$5,000 to 3 Boston Museum for display only.

Motion made by Council member Bowie to loan the “True Love is Often Stormy” painting to the museum for display only. Motion seconded by Council member Carr. All voted in favor of, motion carried.

10. Pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, Local Government Code 551.074, the Mayor, and City Council will adjourn to Executive Session regarding Personnel Matters.

Council member Bowie made the motion to adjourn to Executive Session. Motion seconded by Council member Carr. All voted in favor of, motion carried. Mayor and Council adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

11. Consider and take official action on personnel matters discussed in Executive Session.

Mayor and Council reconvened to open session at 7:27 p.m. No further action was taken.

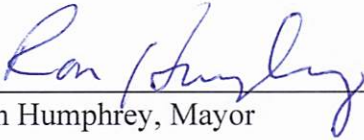
12. Mayor Humphrey’s comments.

No comments

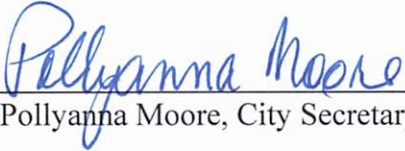
13. Adjourn.

Motion made by Council member Carr to adjourn. Motion seconded by Council member Bowie. All voted in favor of, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Approved this 16<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025.

  
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Ron Humphrey, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Pollyanna Moore, City Secretary