

The City of Murchison Council meets in regular session on the second Tuesday of each month. The council reserves the right to convene in an Executive Session on any item on the agenda under the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551. Items for this meeting include:

*Opening prayer, Pledge of Allegiance, call to order.

Meeting called to order at 6:02pm, All present except Jeremy Smith, Danny Garza did the prayer and Bradley Gray the pledge. Citizens signed in for meeting- Patrick Skiles, Blake Embody, Sandy Hoffmeyer, Connie Haynes, June McLean.

Public Recognition (Citizen Comment):

HB 2840 – Any citizen wishing to address the Council on an agenda item may do so during the Citizen Comment section of the meeting, or when the item is being considered by the Council. **Sign in sheet (5 minutes)**

June Mclean signed up to speak and has a issue with the goats on 3rd street, It smells bad, they had one hung up dead. She was told the property bought up the road was going to have 4 mobile homes put on it and they would have pigs there. Bradley Gray explains the Ordinance for Swine, we also haven't been told it would be mobiles home but duplexes built from the plans received in emails correspondence. We don't have a code enforcement anymore. Will check on Ordinance for slaughtering animals.

Consent Items:

1. Approve Council Meeting July 8, 2025 , July 9, 2025 Minutes and July 2025 Financials
 - a. Danny Garza motions to accept consent items, Gayle Furlong seconds, passes unanimously.

Mayors Report:

1. Steven Hartley Demand Letter
 - a. Following thru with lawsuit- no new update from lawyer.
2. Update on Back to School Bash and Farmers Market
 - a. Kayla isn't here but the Back to School Bash was Saturday and about 350 to 400 were there. Bounce Houses, big hippo, train ride, prizes were given and school supplies passed out. Burgers, chips, drinks and snow cones were provided. Jeremy didn't have time for the faucet to be placed due to waiting on located to be done so hoses were used and 3 generators used. Farmers Market Saturdays 8-1pm, Food truck Friday nights at 6-8pm. Saturdays in September will be 8-12pm.
3. Update on Mr Fears Lease
 - a. Bradley Gray talked to Mr Fears, his sons been out of town, he still wants to sign the lease though.
4. Election is coming up November 4th, August 18th, 5pm is deadline to file
 - a. 3 seats are up for election plus Mayor seat. August 18, 2025 is deadline to submit by 5pm and Skylier has the applications. Order of Election discussed, filing period and when to file and were election is, where to list candidates on election of multiple people running, Agreement with county for election.
 - i. Danny Garza motions to accept Ordinance, Resolution, Interlocal Agreement and Gayle Furlong seconds, passes unanimously.

Water Report by Jeremy Crocker:

July Monthly Report discussed. All drying beds cleaned out, rake installed, we are making passing numbers at the plant. Grinder is leaking water but pipes should be a fix for it. Dressed up bank side more, needs to settle some and will see if more dirt is needed and will use the ball field dirt. Got the meters in and will start on the South side of highway/town to replace, will keep any RG3 that are still good.

Old Business:

1. Road Repair on Bankhead Completed
 - a. Road repair was done in 3 days, completed.
2. Update on Sewer Repair at 9835 Wren St.
 - a. Jeremy will check to see if the guy has tied into the line yet.
3. Update on TCEQ EPP and fine
 - a. Got the violation response to TCEQ, fine was paid. Waiting on response from them.

New Business:

Executive Session for Maintenance Applicants at 7:23pm and interviewed the applicants for the maintenance position. Back into regular session at 8:27pm to discuss applicants.

Gayle Furlong motions to accept Patrick Skiles as maintenance, Dana Joslin seconds and passes unanimously.

Danny Garza motions to start maintenance at \$17 an hr and after 90 evaluation a raise up to \$1.00 an hour, Gayle Furlong seconds and passes unanimously.

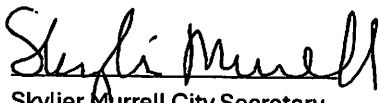
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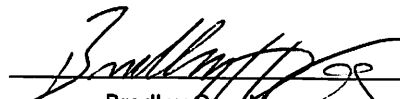
1. Master Meter Invoice- What fund is it being paid out of?
 - a. Where do we pull the funds to pay the invoice for the meters.
 - i. Danny Garza motions to move balance from MM account to the WW account for meter balance. Dana Joslin seconds, passes unanimously.
2. Discuss, possibly take action on modifications to Employee Handbook
 - a. Was revised in 2-2024 for current, * page 16 Bradley Gray wants to add "or another employee" and page 28 to add firearms being prohibited. Will check on adding drug screening tests for employees.
 - i. Gayle Furlong motions to make changes to Handbook immediately, Bobbette Bandy seconds and passes unanimously.

Executive Session:

1. Discuss, possibly take action on property acquisition at 6887 State Hwy 31
 - a. Suggests council looks at the property to see if it would be a good idea. Skylier will reach out to realtor to set up a day and time to meet there.

Adjournment: Next meeting will be September 9, 2025 at 6pm. Danny Garza motions to adjourn, Bobbette Bandy seconds and meeting is over at 8:45pm.


Skylier Murrell City Secretary


Bradley Gray Mayor

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the attached agenda of special meeting of the City of Murchison City Council is a true and correct copy and that I posted a true and correct copy of said notice on the front glass window, facing toward the glass to be visible from the street of the City Hall building located at 9540 FM 773, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times, and said Notice was posted by August 8, 2025, 5:59pm and will remain so posted for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

Bradley Gray Mayor