



Small Town Texas

City of Murchison

Council Meeting

April 14, 2026 6:00 PM Minutes

9540 FM 773 Murchison, TX 75778



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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 6pm, Danny Garza is not in attendance, Bradley Gray lead the prayer and Boyd Sauter did the pledge. Signed in was Chandra Nagarkoti, June McLean, Dan Morrison, Isabel Morrison, Sandy Hoffmeyer, JoAnn Swain, and Cornelia Haynes but didn't sign in.

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)**

Chandra Nagarkoti and JoAnn Swain signed up to speak Cornelia Haynes also in attendance and is asking about an Ordinance that can be done for the resource officer putting cones up at the school and blocking part of the road. Bradley Gray states no Ordinance is in place right now and if you are able to get to use the road then its not blocked and almost being hit by a vehicle leaving the school wouldn't be a city issue but a issue on that street at that moment so that is different. The resource officer does know about when to have the road blocked and when not to as its on the signs also and not showing an immediate issue that needs to be addressed.

Chandra is here to speak about the property he has and possibly turning it into a liquor store. Mayor Bradley Gray states we cant tell him how to file or what steps are needed as he would need to know that but the information has to be filed before 8-17-2026 to be on any ballot for voting.

Consent Items:

1. Approve Council Meeting March 10, 2026 Minutes
 - a. Boyd Sauter motions to approve March 10, 2026 Minutes, Bobette Bandy seconds this and passes.
2. Approve March 2026 Financials
 - a. Bradley Gray explains the TDRA account had the \$11,250.00 received from the Comprehensive Grant and check was made out to Grant Works as it pays for their service.
 - i. Boyd Sauter motions to approve March 2026 financials, Bobette Bandy seconds this and passes.

Mayors Report:

1. Generators installed and operational
 - a. The inspections were done on them, power to the old site is off now, they still have to replace the transformer part that was messed up when they installed it.
2. CCN- Waterline on PR 7801 and north and CR 3700 and south
 - a. Checked on this but the Grant is still being done to try to do the work on 7801 issues.
3. Easter Egg hunt was on 03/28/2026
 - a. It was a good turn out for being so cold. Had 500 eggs, sandwiches, chips and drinks to pass out also.
4. GrantWorks Surveyors

- a. Were here for 2 days and got the surveys done where they could, will be sending Skylier updated email to reach out to residents to get the 80% needed to complete it.
- 5. Murchison Farmers Market starts back on May 9th
 - a. Will be from 9-12pm , will be on the 2nd and 4th Saturday until August.

Water Report by Jeremy Crocker:

- 1. Update on filtration system at well #1, take action if necessary
 - a. Pulled samples and they aren't terrible but pulling samples from other well to compare them.
- 2. TCEQ letter received
 - a. Same violation issues that started last year when Aqua took over. Other Enforcements were applied for things like bad samples concrete at well wall, too many lines on 7801 but it was verified it's a 3' line there, the Drought line Contingency plan and fence at the ballfield for the generator to go around, waiting on EDP to be able to apply for to have the violations taken care of. We will getting enrolled. 7 violations were resolved and the EPP was approved.
- 3. Update on Water use Survey and Water loss Audit from TWDB
 - a. Sarah has been working on it and has about 75%, trying to get information from RVS on commercial, agricultural, or residential.
- 4. Update on Meter Orders
 - a. Got the meters in and haven't used them yet but will be setting 4 and using the 2 others as extras.
- 5. Any Other Water/Sewer related reports to be given
 - a. Water to drying beds is not better, parts are needed to fix for about \$3,000, new pipes are dug and valve placed. 40 ft, 6/ PVC, all connectors and valve- no charge for him to do it as it would be done during business hours. Jet machine also needs to be covered so the stuff replaced on it doesn't ruin. Something to cover at least a 12 foot trailer.
 - i. Dana Joslin motions to get parts for repairs needed for drying beds for \$3,200, Bobette Bandy seconds and passes.
 - ii. Boyd Sauter motions to get a quote for the cover to be done for the jet machine trailer, Dana Joslin seconds and passes.

Old Business:

- 1. Spring Clean up April 24-26, 2026
 - a. Patrick will be at the waste plant with a list of all accounts to verify for those 3 days.
- 2. Discuss and take action if necessary, regarding lawsuit against Pure Management (Steven Hartley)
 - a. Mayor Bradley Gray met with the city attorney Blake Armstrong and nothing has changed. He hasn't received any information from Stevens attorney. He wants to know how we want to move forward because if it goes to trial it could be about \$30,000 and the amount sued for is around \$49,747.20, which is a monthly check, 3rd lift station payment made but work not done and then half of the amount for the sewer line project.
 - i. Dana Joslin motions to respond with trying to get half paid back at least \$22,210.88, Boyd Sauter seconds and passes.

New Business:

- 1. Discuss and possibly take action on City of Murchison Drought Contingency Plan as required by TCEQ
 - a. We have had the same plan since 2013, nothing has changed unless we want something changed in it. Filed with TCEQ and goes every 5 years on taking action if needed.
 - i. Bobette Bandy motions to approve Drought Contingency Plan the city has used since 2013 at least, Boyd Sauter seconds this and passes.
- 2. Discuss and consider Signatory Resolution for Texas Community Development Block Grant Program
 - a. Resolution is to designate the Mayor and/or the City Secretary to sign off on things pertaining to the Grants.
 - i. Boyd Sauter motions to accept Signatory for Mayor and secretary thru Grant works, Dana Joslin seconds and passes.
- 3. Discuss and consider clean up of fenced area at well #1, and possibly a mural on water storage tank

- a. EDC has approved to Bid for the Well #1 clean up and KeriAnn to do a mural with the history of Murchison for \$4500.00
 - i. Dana Joslin motions to accept the quote of \$4500.00 by KeriAnn to do the mural, Bobbett Bandy seconds this and passes.
- 4. Discuss and consider call box for water plant (pressure tanks and storage tank)
 - a. Looked into the call box to be notified of issues, would be around \$4,000.00 for it all to be done. Has a sensor-sends a message to notify etc.
 - i. Dana Joslin motions to approve for call box to be installed at Water plant, Boyd Sauter seconds and passes.

Adjournment: Next meeting will be May 12, 2026, 6PM. Boyd Sauter motions to adjourn and Dana Joslin seconds this, passes and meeting is over at 7:31pm.

Skylier Murrell 5-12-26
Skylier Murrell City Secretary

Bradley Gray
Bradley Gray Mayor



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Bradley Gray Mayor

