City of Murchison

Council Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2026 6:00 PM

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. ***A physical quorum for this meeting will be at 9540 FM 773, Murchison, Texas 75778, one council member may be attending via video conference as outlined in Tx Govt. Code, Section 551.127*** Items for this meeting include:

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

Meeting called to Order at 6pm, All members present Danny Garza (would show up later when meeting is ending), Dan Morrison is present by Zoom. Mayor John Chism leads the prayer and pledge. Connie Haynes, Greg Zieba, Marion Scott in attendance.

Public Recognition (Citizen Comment):

Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.007, members of the public may speak on an agenda item during the public communication section of the meeting. Speakers shall be given three (3) minutes to speak. A speaker needing a translator and/or interpreter may be given six (6) minutes to speak. Members of the public wishing to address the Council on non-agenda items may do so pursuant to the same time constraints as agenda items. The Council will not comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may refer the item to City Staff for research, resolution, or referral of the matter to the Council as a future agenda item."

Consent Items:

1. Approve Council Meeting September 8, 2026 Minutes and Special Called September 28, 2026 Minutes
    a. Bobette Bandy motions to approve September 8, 2026 Minutes and Special Called September 28, 2026 Minutes, Boyd Sauter seconds this and passed.
2. Approve September 2026 Financials
    a. Skylier Murrell explains that when starting to reconcile the bank statements to Quick Books for the month it showed that July to Septembers previous reconciliations were not there and has been getting assistance from the auditor to work thru it to recover the information.
        i. Boyd Sauter motions to table until fixed, Bobette Bandy seconds this and passed.

Mayors Report:

1. Fall Clean up dates October 23-25 2026
    a. Clean up dates and times will be 10-23-26 12-5pm, 10-24-2026 10-5pm and 10-25-26 12-5pm.
2. Starting Budgets for 2027 for General Fund and Water Works with City Secretary
    a. Will start budgets when the QB and reconciling is fixed then have a public workshop and council meeting after it.

Water Report by Jeremy Crocker:

1. Update on status of bringing well #1 back on line
    a. Has an estimate for the well 2 that has now burned up when well 1 was brought back online this past weekend.
2. Update on Water use Survey and Water loss Audit from TWDB
    a. Both have been submitted.
3. Status on additional water meters ordered
    a. Cleaning out where the old meters are to be able to place new ones and locating some also on properties.
4. Any other water/sewer related issues
    a. Went over September's water report given

Went into Executive Session at 6:18pm- citizen left the building
In Executive Session from 6:19pm until 6:59pm.

Old Business:

New Business:

1. Discuss and consider any letters of interest for open council seat
    a. Boyd Sauter motions to table to see if there are any other letters of interest, Bobette Bandy seconds this and passed.
2. Remove Bradley Gray and Dana Joslin from all bank signatory and financials for all City of Murchison and EDC accounts, add John Chism to all bank signatory and financials for all City of Murchison and EDC accounts.
    a. Dan Morrison motions to table to see if we have a full council to make all changes at one time, Bobette Bandy seconds this and passed.
3. EDC appointed Bobette Bandy as President and Lawrence Cotter remains Vice President
    a. Dan Morrison motions to accept and Boyd Sauter seconds this and passed.
4. EDC will present check to Rooted for the approved Grant, October 19, 2026, 6pm
    a. Boyd Sauter motions to move forward with the Grant agreement and check, Dan Morrison seconds this and passed.
5. Discuss and consider Maintenance and City Secretary salary increase
    a. Council discusses increasing pay for maintenance and secretary pay.
        i. Bobette Bandy motions to give city secretary a $2 an hour raise effective immediately and will be updated for budget 2027, Boyd Sauter seconds this and passed. Boyd Sauter motions to start pay for maintenance at $20 an hour, Dan Morrison seconds this and passed.
6. Discuss and possibly take action on Maintenance applicants
    a. Mayor spoke to applicants and would like to give Jesse Joslin the opportunity for the position and can start immediately.
        i. Boyd Sauter motions to hire Jesse Joslin to start tomorrow at $20 an hour, Bobette Bandy seconds this and passed.

Adjournment: Next meeting will be November 10, 2026 at 6pm, Bobbett Bandy motions to adjourn and Boyd Sauter seconds this and meeting is over at 7:08pm.

Skylier Murrell 11-10-2026
Skylier Murrell City Secretary

John Chism Mayor

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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 October 7, 2026 and will remain so posted for at least 3 business days preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

John Chism Mayor