

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, Dan Morrison is absent and all other members present. Danny Garza does the prayer and Boyd Sauter leads the pledge.

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)**

Signed in: Joseph Marie Sr, Joseph Marie Jr, Shawn from Aqua Services, Danelle, Jeff Passons, Sandy Hoffmeyer, Cornelia Haynes, Susan and Thomas Toney

Mr. Seidel asks who does zoning here? Bradley Gray states we don't have any specific zoning right now but with the Comprehensive Grant they will help with that. Mr. Seidel says the property next to him has a lot of vehicles parked there and could be environmental issues. Bradley Gray states he did speak to Mr. Castleberry and it didn't go that well, but he would go by the property and take a look at the vehicles there and we might be able to revisit the Ordinance, speak to city attorney and the resident can report issues to EPA or TCEQ for waste at the Donna St address.

Consent Items:

1. Approve Council Meeting May 12, 2026 Minutes
 - a. Dana Joslin motions to approved May 12, 2026 Minutes, Boyd Sauter seconds this and passes.
2. Approve May 2026 Financials
 - a. Dana Joslin motions to approve May 2026 Financials, Boyd Sauter seconds this and passes.

Mayors Report:

1. Murchison Farmers Market dates are June 13th and June 27th
 - a. Will be held from 9-12 pm on the 13th and 27th
2. Update on Mural for Water tank
 - a. EDC approved the funds to be used for a mural to be painted on the water tank. The previous person backed out, waiting to speak to the 2nd person we have spoken to for ideas.
3. Update on Well 1 demo
 - a. Terry Davis has demo and removed debris from the area. 6 in line was hit about 2 feet down, was capped for now so Jeremy can figure out what line it goes to once it dries out some.
4. Mayor hired temporary mower
 - a. 2 quotes were received and the mayor went with Torance Mclean to mow until we have a maintenance position filled.

Water Report by Jeremy Crocker: Jeremy was out town but appeared on Zoom and Shawn from Aqua Services is in attendance as well. The monthly report was printed for all members to review if they had questions. Hickman Electric was here to deal with the water well issues we kept having with the switch flipping off. No other issues since the monitor was installed. The tank levels will take more time to get the information back but Jeremy will check on it.

1. Update on filtration system at well #1, take action if necessary

- a. Samples were sent off, well 2 had iron level of 0.32mg/L. Were advised we don't need a filter. Currently we are working on alternatives to blend the water with well 1 when it is ready to be active. We will be getting prices on variable frequency drives in order to run both wells at the same time to mix the water property.
2. TCEQ letter received
 - a. The letter received was from our most recent TCEQ inspection 3-31-2026, Information is attached.
3. Update on Water use Survey and Water loss Audit from TWDB
 - a. Water use Survey has been submitted; Water Loss Audit will be submitted by the end of this month.
4. Discuss Water meters ordered and take action if necessary
 - a. Have spoken to supplier, we did place an order for 6 meters but we have not received them, we should receive them this week as there was a mix up with the delivery. There was a second invoice for the meters sent by mistake and credited back to our account.
5. Any other water/sewer related issues
 - a. Contractors found a line feeding water at the old plant that is being torn down, We were able to cap it off, in spare time we will locate the line further see how we can disconnect it.
6. Discuss and consider accepting renewal of contract with Aqua Services that expires June 10, 2026
 - a. Emailed signed contract was sent
7. Discuss material break down cost for the water/sewer tap fees in relation to 3rd St duplex
 - a. See attached document for break down of materials and fees.

Old Business:

New Business:

1. Joseph Marie Jr is requesting approval for a build at 9829 Cardinal St.
 - a. Joseph Marie Jr is wanting a modular home built if approved with a shop and car port. He has his own connections for water and sewer contractors. Sewer manhole is by the left of the property, gas line is there. 20x20 shop, will add decking at some point if ok.
 - i. Danny Garza motions to approve permit for build on 9829 Cardinal St, Dana Joslin seconds this and passes.
2. Thomas Toney is requesting approval of a manufactured home to be put at 9463 Live Oak St.
 - a. Mr. Toney is wanting to purchase a mobile home that's 2100 square foot and put on the property they own on Live Oak as they haven't felt safe where they are and want to move here. Wanting the home to go where the temp pole is for electricity, will face off of Live Oak, will do a pad for it and drive way. He will do most of the work himself. Would like a water tap if needed, doesn't need sewer. The have all of Fowler St mail boxes in front of the street also and tried to ask the post office to move them but they said no. Skylier will speak to the post master about the mail boxes.
 - i. Danny Garza motions to approved the permit for a new mobile home on Live Oak, Boyd Sauter seconds this and passes.
3. Discuss and possibly take action on Water/Sewer tap fees
 - a. Discussed the fees we have and from Jeremys break down of the tap on 3rd was discussed also as a recent break down of fees.
 - i. Dana Joslin motions to leave tap fees as they are currently, Bobbett Bandy seconds this and Danny Garza opposes. Passed still.
4. Discuss and possibly take action on email from Griffin Communications concerning merger between Union Pacific and Norfolk Southern
 - a. Letter was received and read over and draft was given to the city in case we wanted to respond to the merger.
 - i. Boyd Sauter motions to not respond at this time, Danny Garza seconds this and passes.
5. Remove Torance Mclean from all bank signatory and financials for all City of Murchison and EDC accounts, add Dan Morrison to all bank signatory and financials for all City of Murchison and EDC accounts.
 - a. Danny Garza motions to remove Torance Mclean from all financials and bank signatory and add Dan Morrison to all bank signatories and financials for City of Murchison and EDC accounts, Boyd Sauter seconds this and passed.
6. Discuss possible bidding on tax sale for Property at 9428 3rd St with guidance from Attorney at the request of EDC
 - a. Taxes are owed on the property and if not paid it will come up for Auction, EDC approved to look into it and reached out to the City attorney as it would go before council also. The city attorney did respond that it would be considered a project that is voted on and has to allow 60 day's notice, gives timeframe for anyone to object. He did say another option is for the city to purchase and sell to EDC so the 60 days wouldn't apply. Nothing is posted on the tax sell site yet.

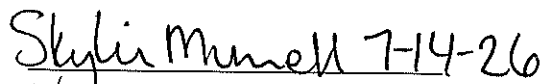
- i. Danny Garza motions for the city to seek out the bid if it comes up for auction for 9428 3rd St for \$15,000.00 set aside to auction, Bobette Bandy seconds this. Passes

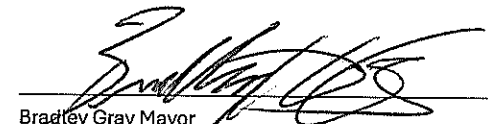
Executive Session: The City Council will convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074 review City maintenance position candidates

Went into Executive Session at 7:42 pm to interview for Maintenance position, Interviews began at 7:45 pm.

7. Discuss and possibly take action on maintenance applications received
 - a. Back in open session at 8:44pm to discuss the maintenance position after interviews were conducted.
 - i. Danny Garza motions to accept Charles Mitchell for the maintenance position starting him at \$17.00 an hour for 6 months until review to determine a raise possibly. Boyd Sauter seconds this and passes. Charles will be contacted to see when he can start.

Adjournment: Next meeting will be July 14, 2026 at 6pm, Danny Garza motions to adjourn and Boyd Sauter seconds, meeting is over at 8:50pm


Skyler 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 June 4, 2026 at 7:57 am 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.

Bradley Gray Mayor

