

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Brazos Country, Austin County, Texas, convened in regular session Thursday, June 19th 2025, 7:06 pm, at St. Mary's Catholic Church Faith Formation (Education) Building, 10471 Grotto Rd, Sealy, Texas.

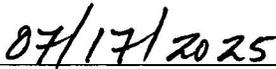
- 1-2. **Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation** - Mayor Bob Ray called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm. He led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag and offered the invocation.
3. **Roll Call and Certification of a Quorum** - Council members present were:
Bob Ray, Mayor
Dave Carrasquillo, Alderman
Neil Howard, Alderman
Shelly Main, Alderwoman

Joe McSloy was absent. Mayor Ray certified there was a quorum. Also present were City Secretary Jan Shelton and approximately thirteen city residents.
4. **Appoint replacement council member – consideration and action as appropriate** – Mayor Ray asked for a nomination to replace Albert Sykes. Neil Howard moved to nominate Charles Kalkomey for the Alderman-at-Large position. Shelly Main seconded and motion passed.
5. **Swear in new council member** – City Secretary Jan Shelton administered the oath of office to Charles Kalkomey as Alderman-at-Large.
6. **Public Comments** – None.
7. **Old Business**
 - a. **Roads – Update; consideration and action as appropriate** – Neil Howard said he has not seen any potholes on the roads and has no other news.
 - b. **Culverts & drainage – Update; consideration and action as appropriate** – Dave Carrasquillo reported stabilized sand is needed in some places in section five and he will contact Brown Landscaping about mowing the Hidden Creek ditch and will monitor it for erosion.
 - c. **Water department – Update; consideration and action as appropriate** – Mayor Ray reported he and Shelly Main met with Hot Taps and they are finalizing the valve map with a list detailing the areas the 67 valves isolate. A guest asked how many fire hydrants the city has and Mayor Ray said none, because the water lines in our system are not large enough to support a hydrant. Mayor Ray said he received a quote from Michael Carman of \$58,00.00 with a 4-year warranty, for the repair of the old pressure and ground storage tanks. Mayor Ray said the tanks would be out of service for three weeks for the repairs. Discussion followed. Mayor Ray recommended council work these numbers into the proposed budget at next month's meeting.
8. **New Business**
 - a. **Aspen Fiber Networks – consideration and action as appropriate**
Mayor Ray recommended a franchise agreement with Aspen Fiber Networks for use of the city right-of-way and a performance bond or escrow account to cover any damage to the city water lines.
9. **Consent Agenda – consideration and action as appropriate** – Mayor Ray asked if there were any comments regarding the items in the consent agenda. Hearing none, Mayor Ray asked for a motion to accept. Neil Howard made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Shelly Main seconded, and motion carried.

10. **Comments – Mayor/Council/City Secretary** – Mayor Ray reminded council that the July meeting is scheduled for the 17th at 7:00 pm. Mayor Ray asked for 2025-2026 budget recommendations. Dave Carrasquillo requested next month's agenda include Austin County Emergency Management (ACEM) for an update of the services they provide. Mayor Ray said the contact for ACEM is Roy Mercer.
11. **Adjourn** – Charles Kalkomey made a motion to adjourn. Shelly Main seconded, and motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.



Jan Shelton, City Secretary



Date