

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council of the City of Brazos County, Austin County, Texas, convened in regular session Thursday, January 15th 2026, 7:01 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 7:01 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
Charles Kalkomey, Alderman
Neil Howard, Alderman
Shelly Main, Alderman

Joe McSloy and Dave Carrasquillo were absent. Mayor Ray certified there was a quorum. Also present were City Secretary Jan Shelton and approximately four city residents.

4. Public Comments

None.

5. New Business

a. Interlocal Agreement for Road Maintenance – consideration and action as appropriate

Mayor Ray said the yearly interlocal agreement between the city and the county is up for renewal. Neil Howard made a motion to accept the interlocal agreement for road maintenance. Shelly Main seconded, and motion carried.

b. Ordinance 2026-01 Set Date of Election – consideration and action as appropriate

Mayor Ray announced the election will be May 2nd. Three Aldermen at Large seats are up for reelection. Applications are available until February 13th. Charles Kalkomey made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-01 set date of election. Shelly Main seconded, and motion carried.

c. Lake – consideration and action as appropriate

Mayor Ray reported four-wheeler activity in the lake bed and stated his concerns of liability if someone was injured on city property. Mayor Ray recommended posting a sign restricting motorized vehicles on city property or dividing it up and selling the portions to property owners on the lake. Charles Kalkomey said the city previously looked at what to do with the lake and recommended legal advice for wording on a sign. Discussion followed. Charles Kalkomey made a motion to get advice from the attorneys. Neil Howard seconded, and motion carried.

6. Old Business

a. Roads – Update; consideration and action as appropriate

Neil Howard said nothing to report. Mayor Ray said within a couple of weeks the county will begin replacing the Chew Rd bridge with a culvert and resurface Chew Rd from Brazos Hill Ln to Zaruba Rd. They also plan to lay a base and pave Zaruba Rd. Discussion followed.

b. Culverts & drainage – Update; consideration and action as appropriate

No report.

c. Water department – Update; consideration and action as appropriate

Mayor Ray reported TCEQ has approved the installation of the new tank and disconnection of the old tank. Kaluza will send us the wording to put together an advertised bid package and the city will run it in the newspaper. Mayor Ray said there were no distribution system water leaks only one small coupling leak between the booster pump and the motor which has been fixed and new meters have been ordered. Discussion followed.

7. Consent Agenda – consideration and action as appropriate

Mayor Ray said the city and water system realized an increase in funds due to property taxes and water rates. Discussion followed. Mayor Ray asked if there were any comments. Hearing none, Neil Howard made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Charles Kalkomey seconded, and motion carried.

8. Comments – Mayor/Council/City Secretary

Neil Howard questioned the legality of a new fence installed at the end of River Ridge Rd down to the Brazos River. Mayor Ray said there is an access easement for the property owners and the fence is not an issue. Mayor Ray reminded council that the February meeting is scheduled for the 19th at 7:00 pm. A city resident asked if there was any news from Aspen Fiber and the mayor said no. A couple of city residents said they had ordered Starlink internet service for \$80.00 a month.

9. Adjourn

Neil Howard made a motion to adjourn. Shelly Main seconded, and motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.



Jan Shelton, City Secretary

02/19/2026
Date