

Minutes for March 13, 2025, Regular meeting of the Buckholts City Council. In attendance were Mayor Terri Eaton, Council member Keith Janicek, Council member Tony Villanueva, Accountant Kristi Stegall, Bill Lawson with LWWS, City Secretary, Linda Hauk and Chief of Police Shawn Newsom. Citizens in attendance were Chris Marrs, Ricky McCall and Jim Reed from CTGOG.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – 5:45p.m.
2. **INVOCATION** – *Given by Councilman Mayor Eaton*
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - *said by all*
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**- *No comments*
5. **ACTION ITEMS**
 - a. **Discuss/Review/Approve Minutes from the January 16,2025 and the February 13, 2025, Regular meetings**– *Motion to approve was made by Mayor Eaton and seconded by council member Villanueva*
 - b. **Discuss/Review/Approve February Financial statements and other expenditures** – *Motion to approve was made by Mayor Eaton and seconded by Council member Villanueva*
 - c. **Discuss/Review/Approve Racial Profiling Report** – *Chief went over the report and the Mayor made the motion to accept the report which was seconded by Council member Villanueva*
 - d. **Discuss/Review/Approve Resolution authorizing the creation of the Central Texas Regional 9-1-1 emergency communications district** – *Jim Reed said all residents pay .50 cents, whether on phone bill or cell bill. That currently goes to the state comptrollers they decide how much of that gets appropriated back to run 9-1-1. That's normally about 75%. A bill was passed about 6 years ago that said if a council of governments wanted to get out of the state's system, and get all the money back for our citizens, they could do that. That's what they are asking to do. It's called an emergency communications district. It has no taxing authority. Cannot raise the fee any higher. 9-1-1 service will stay identical to the way it is, currently, at least for the short term. Your citizens will pay the .50 cents, it'll go to the comptroller and instead of it being subject to the state taking a little bit off the top they send all that money back to them for 9-1-1 purposes. Every municipality in the council of governments region has to pass a resolution. Once the last resolution is passed, we become a district. Targeting mid-August to get all this done. After a brief discussion on the 9-1-1 addressing situation a motion to approve resolution was made by Council member Janicek and seconded by Council member Villanueva*
 - e. **Discuss/Review/Approve Municipal Maintenance agreement between the City of Buckholts and TxDOT** – *Motion to approve was made by council member Janicek and seconded by council member Villanueva*
 - f. **Discuss/Review/Approve resolution approving agreement between the City of Buckholts and TxDOT** – *Resolution was not necessary because the city has no City Manager*
 - g. **Discuss/Review/Approve ordinance approving agreement between the City of Buckholts and TxDOT**- *Motion to approve was made by Council member Janicek and seconded by council member Villanueva*

6. STAFF REPORTS

WATER/SEWER – *Bill said they did a walk through on the water valve project. Some things that still need to be done. Gonna mark where every valve is and get GPS coordinates for each. Also, gonna put in a medallion for easy location. The mayor wants everything done on the punch list before she signs off on it. That will take care of the water situation. Sewer project is about 25% complete. They are ahead of schedule. At the end of this project a discussion between the town and the contractors as to ow the roads will be put back. Council member Janicek said these roads have got to be taken care of. The black dirt, when it rains,*

is slick and causing problems. Residents are getting stuck. These are things that need to be addressed. Bill said if the weather holds, they will be ahead of schedule.

Chris Marrs said that yesterday he received an email, from CTWS, that went out to 23 other groups, this is for phase one of their master plan for the doc curb expansion. He presented a revised contract percentage for customers with RAW water available. This is figured using the difference in ultimate build up, total gallons available, minus the current million gallons per month. They will discuss this at their next meeting, March 18th. The meeting on the 18th they will just discuss. There will not be a final decision made on it at that time. Chris advised that he could not make it to this meeting. After speaking with Lee Kelley today, he asks that someone from the City of Buckholts, please attend that meeting. Chris has a prior commitment and cannot make this meeting. Lee would like someone from the city to be there. Chris said that when speaking with Mr. Kelley he was advised that this was a probability of expansion and has to do with the raw water we have left in the lake. The 9 municipalities listed are the only nine remaining, with raw water. So, what they are doing is asking to pay on the potential of us having an expansion over the next 20 years. There is a potential to sell our raw water. But that has to go through with BRA. And they have to get involved and tell you how much it can be sold for. If we were to sell the RAW water, if we think there is the potential to grow in the next 20 years, which would max out our system. All this is a probability depending on which way things go. It's not set in stone that it's going to happen. They are doing this to try and prepare for the growth in this area.

ADMINISTRATION – *Linda just wanted to make sure everyone got their schedule for the upcoming budget process.*

POLICE DEPARTMENT – *Still trying to get the car back. Got everything coordinated and ready to go when they do come back.*

COUNCIL – *Nothing to add*

MAYOR – *The county commissioners court had an agenda item to move the Tax collections to the MCAD. They thought they were in agreement but at the last meeting the tax accessor collector said she wants to keep it at her office. Have been so many issues with the new tax accessor collector. Having so many issues. Trying to get all entities together. She does not see and issue with sending a letter of intent that we would be willing to discuss the change with more information.*

7. ADJOURN – *With nothing further to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 6:54p.m.*

Signed this _____ day of March 2025.

Terri Eaton, Mayor

Linda R. Hauk, City Secretary