

MINUTES
BALMORHEA CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 10, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR JOHN L. DAVIS, IKE WARD(6:09PM), DANNY VASQUEZ III,
ROSA DOMINGUEZ, JOSUE MENDOZA (6:26).

MEMBERS ABSENT: JOY LEWIS

STAFF PRESENT: SANDRA NAVARRETE, GREG PERRIN-ABSENT, RUSSELL MORRIS.

VISTORS: ROBERT SNYDER, ESEQUIEL DUTCHOVER

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Davis at 6:12 pm.
2. Mayor John L. Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Ike Ward made a motion, seconded by Danny Vasquez to approve minutes for February 3, 2025, Motion Carried 4-0.
4. Rosa Dominguez made a motion, seconded by Ike Ward to approve bills and adjustments as presented for January 2025/February 2025. Motion Carried 4-0.
5. Item was not presented. Will be presented at next month Regular Meeting.
6. Rosa Dominguez asked if there was an issue with the employee's job description. The mayor responded that the employees needed to receive a paper copy of their job descriptions if one was not given at the time of hiring. The difference between one employee and the other depends on what is going on during the day. Once we stop contracting Corny as much it puts it over on the city employees. Ms. Dominguez asked if the city would be hiring High Schools kids to help during the summer because there has been issues in the past. Mayor Davis responded it doesn't have to be an issue if you separate the kids. The city has agreed to help the water district this summer, so we hope there will be plenty for the kids to do. The mayor added he would like to see the employees use additional pickups so that one employee is not waiting on the other. We have 3 working trucks. Russell Morris stated that the F450 truck has issues getting through Jerry Moore's ranch to read meters. Mayor Davis added he would rent out a skid steer and work on the road. Tools that will be needed need to be purchased before the summer clean up starts. Depending on the number of people we hire for the summer we need to supervise the work and keep them separated. Mayor Davis stated that the only time both full-time employees must be together is if they are working on something big that takes two employees.

7. Reports

- A. ESD 1&2 report was presented by Robert Snyder. Mr. Snyder reported that the station will possibly be ready in April. The completion of the station has been delayed due to plumbing issues. The station is around 98% complete.
- B. The City Clerk informed the city council that the next meeting will return to the daylight savings time and the meetings will begin at 7:00pm.
- C. Russell Morris reported that the city was required to do water quality samples for this quarter. Mr. Morris added he still didn't know where the city stands with TCEQ on corrosion control. Mayor Davis stated that the city would start in-house training for the employees that is required. The training will be for confined space, manholes and H2S gas. Mr. Morris stated he had finished his 20-hour groundwater production course which is required to take the C license test.
- D. Rosa Dominguez reported that the BEDC had voted to complete the painting of the floor at the McKnight building.
- E. Rosa Dominguez stated that the Balmorhea Event Committee was getting ready for the Memorial Day Festival. Ms. Dominguez added she would submit the funding application to the city council at next month's meeting and is waiting on the health inspector from Reeves County regarding health permits.

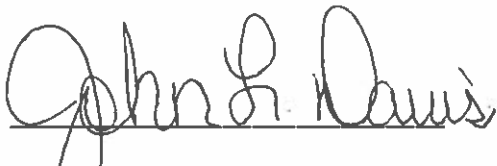
8. Mayor Davis explained that the matching funds would be provided by the Pecos Economic Development Corporation for this grant. Ike Ward made a motion, seconded by Rosa Dominguez to approve resolution authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the Downtown Revitalization Program. Motion Carried 4-0.

9. Ike Ward made a motion, seconded Danny Vasquez to consider an order of cancellation of the General Election on May 3, 2025 and declare each unopposed candidate to office.

10. Mayor Davis stated that the money for the continuation of the downtown fencing would be coming out of the street pavement account. We will be doing the sections from Houston to Austin Street. Mayor Davis added he would like to get it done before Memorial Day Weekend. Rosa Dominguez made a motion, seconded by Ike Ward to continue the downtown fencing project. Motion carried 4-0.

11. Ike Ward made a motion, seconded by Rosa Dominguez to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 pm. Motion Carried 4-0.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 14 DAY OF April, 2025.


JOHN L. DAVIS, MAYOR


SANDRA NAVARRETE, CITY CLERK