

MINUTES
BALMORHEA CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

MEMBERS PRESENT: MAYOR JOHN L. DAVIS, ROSA DOMINGUEZ,
JULIE LEWIS, JOY LEWIS, DANNY VASQUEZ III (2:10 PM-
IN PERSON (2:39 PM-PHONE)

MEMBERS ABSENT: IKE WARD

STAFF PRESENT: SANDRA NAVARRETE

VISTORS: NONE

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Davis at 2:06 pm.
2. Mayor John L. Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Old Business:

1. Julie Lewis explained that after receiving 3 backhoe estimates from John Deere, Kubota and New Holland. New Holland had the better price of \$69,394.00. Original price was \$104,094.00. The city received a discount from Source Well of \$36,433.00, that dropped the price. Julie Lewis added that in addition to being the better offer she spoke to Reeves County Water District Manager Jacob Sanchez, and he stated that he and his crew would be willing to train the city employees on how to work the backhoe being that the water district owns a New Holland backhoe. If the city is interested in an extended premier warranty, it would cover everything. Mayor Davis stated that the city also needed to buy an accessory that is called a grabber for this equipment. After some discussion Rosa Dominguez made a motion, seconded by Julie Lewis to purchase a New Holland backhoe in the amount of \$69,394.000. With the exception that the front grabber will be purchased separately. Motion Carried 4-0.

New Business:


1. Joy Lewis stated that after reviewing the invoices that Corny Reimer submitted some of the work could have been done in house. Julie Lewis added that one of the invoices reflected mileage but did not give a description of what the milage was for I will not agree to pay it. Invoices need to be better description on what you are doing. Mayor Davis stated if the council has questions on any invoice take them out and question Mr. Reimer. Rosa Dominguez stated


she had a question on an invoice that reflected a service call for \$1,500. Mayor Davis responded that was paid to the tech guy for the installation of floats at the sewer lift station.

City clerk stated that on invoice #3009 Mr. Reimer had charged the city 2 hours at \$85.00 per hour to relocate a dumpster and that was a first, because it would only take approximately 10 minutes to do the work. City Clerk added that on the invoices that reflected parts purchased by Mr. Reimer, Russell Morris the water operator claimed he was not aware of where these parts were. City Clerk added that with direction from the council she has asked Mr. Reimer for receipts to be attached on any future purchases. Mayor Davis responded it should be Russell's responsibility to be on top of water leaks and know what is being used. Joy Lewis added Mr. Morris needs to keep a list of all parts inventory and order immediately when he needs to replace what was taken. City Clerk asked the Mayor Davis if the parts that Mr. Reimer invoiced were in the city's possession. Mayor Davis responded if he invoices parts, we probably used them, or Mr. Morris should have them. Joy Lewis added with the slow months ahead the employees need to start an inventory list and organize what they have or purchase what is missing and always be prepared for leak repairs. Rosa Domiguez made a motion, seconded by Danny Vasquez III to approve invoices #3002-3016 in the amount of \$14,950.22 to Corny Reimer. Motion carried 4-0.

2. Rosa Dominguez made a motion seconded by Julie Lewis to adjourn the meeting at 2:55 pm. Motion Carried 4-0.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 14 DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025.


JOHN L. DAVIS, MAYOR


SANDRA NAVARRETE, CITY CLERK