CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, July 6, 2026, at 7:07 pm

Mayor Jake Lanes called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm on Monday, July 6, 2026.

The City Attorney addressed the issue of City Council members; there was a tie with declared running member Ruth Gruber and undeclared running member Robert Kappelhoff. Robert Kappelhoff told the city auditor that he was no longer interested in the position. City Council positions went to Bobby Strom and Ruth Gruber. The mayor position was declined by undeclared candidate Terry Kramer, who got the most votes in the election. The position remains with the current Mayor Jake Lanes until he resigns, or a successor is elected and qualified to fill the office.

Swearing in by Mayor Lanes of Bobby Strom and Ruth Gruber as council members.

Roll call: Joel Linneman, Bobby Strom, Ruth Gruber

Swearing in by Mayor Lanes of Jan Linneman as City Auditor.

Appointing of City Auditor, Jan Linneman. 1st: Ruth Gruber 2nd: Bobby Strom; City Attorney, John Warcup. 1st: Ruth Gruber 2nd: Joel Linneman. City Engineer, Pribula Engineering. 1st: Joel Linneman 2nd: Ruth Gruber.

Minutes from previous meeting were tabled.

Approval of monthly bills: 1st: Joel Linneman 2nd: Bobby Strom

OLD BUSINESS: Update was given on rural water by Jim Olson, Blue Water Consulting.

NEW BUSINESS: Retail Beer & Liquor licenses given to Johnnys Bar and The Beehive Fuels. Motion to approve 1st: Ruth Gruber, 2nd: Bobby Strom.

Blue Cross & Blue Shield: Voted to hold credit on account. 1st: Ruth Gruber, 2nd: Bobby Strom.

Raising Waste Management rates were tabled until we find out if they are raising their rates.

Law Enforcement: Discussed options, have a Townhall meeting with the Sheriff's Department giving options.

CCR Report will be put on City of Emerado website

Motion to Adjourn meeting: Ruth Gruber; Meeting was adjourned by Mayor Lanes.