

Mayor Paul Gohman called the Regular City Council meeting on May 15, 2025, to order at 5:31 p.m. and a quorum was established. The meeting was held at the city hall chambers, 114 S Washington St., Bronte, Texas. In attendance were Mayor Paul Gohman, council members Mayor Pro Tem Mike Bailey, David Scott, Zach Davidson, Hendrik Van Der Merwe. Newly elected council member Everett Bedford was absent. Staff present were Ricky Royall, Teresa Ballard and Tara Robinson.

Mayor Paul Gohman led the Pledges of Allegiance and the invocation.

Citizens Comments – Agenda #4 Solid Waste Collection, Removal and Disposal services

- Joe Spano, Republic Services;
- David Ratliff, CWS
- Dale Garner, AEL

Monthly Reports

Fire Department meeting on April 14th with eleven volunteers attending the meeting. Training was on April 28th with eight volunteers attending the training. There were two calls outs for power pole in road and diesel spill.

EDC - No report

Depot – On-going renovations to the Depot. There will be an open house Memorial Day after the Veterans Memorial Ceremony.

Animal/Ordinance/Municipal – Reports we all emailed to council.

Permits – one permit was approved for a fence.

Regular Agenda

1. Swearing-in Ceremony

Mayor Paul Gohman administered the oaths of office two newly elected officials Hendrik Van Der Merwe and returning council member Zach Davidson.

- 2. Discuss/Act – Building and Standard Commission Board:** Consider replacing Everett Bedford and Gwen Dyess. Mayor Gohman presented two names to consider; RA Morris and Joey Lockett would be on willing a sit on the board. David Scott made the motion to approve RA Morris and Joey Lockett to the building and standard commission board; Zach Davidson seconded the motion. Vote 3/0 motion carried.

- 3. Discuss/Act – Water Plant Land:** Consider resolution authorizing the mayor to sign at closing the purchase of land from Tim and Tina Smith as specified in Exhibit “A” survey. Mike Bailey made the motion to authorize the mayor to sign closing documents to purchase land from the Smith’s; Zach Davidson seconded the motion. Vote: 4/0 motion carried.

- 4. Discuss/Act – Sanitation:** Consider issuing RFP or renegotiate with Republic Services for Solid Waste Collection, Removal and Disposal services. Contract ending September 30, 2025. Mayor Gohman introduced the three company representatives, Joe Spano with Republic Services, David Ratliff with CWS and Dale Garner with AEL. Mayor Gohman reported this is an action agenda item and asked

for discussion or comments. David Scott thoughts are Republic Services have given good service to the city and does good things for the community but the business side says we need to be good stewards and go out for an RFP. Mike Bailey agrees as well that competition is healthy, It gives this council the information to make the best decision for the community. David Scott made the motion to go out for an RFP; Zach Davidson seconded the motion. Vote: 4/0 motion carried.

Discuss/Act - Consent Agenda:

5. Regular City Council Minutes April 24, 2025; April Aging Report; Balance Sheet and Revenue and Expenditures. Mike Bailey made the motion to approve consent reports as presented; Hendrik Van Der Merwe seconded the motion. Vote: 4/0 motion carried.

Informational Reports

Mayor – Teresa and I went to grant training by Lisa Rine, grant administrator with CVCOG. Tara will also get grant training soon. Starting to work on the budget and will schedule budget workshops soon.

Utility Director – Michael attended class earlier this month for his wastewater training license; TX dot added road construction from main street toward Robert Lee on Hwy 158. It was not in the original plan, but it was added, and construction should be completed soon.

City Secretary – A donation was given to the cemetery from Bill and Patsy Green memorial for Mr. Luttrell for \$100.

City Council – David Scott would like to have Cemetery on the next agenda. The mayor reported it can be added at the budget workshop.

With no further business Mayor Gohman adjourned the city council meeting at 5:59 pm.

ATTEST: Teresa Ballard
Teresa Ballard, City Secretary

Paul Gohman
Paul Gohman, Mayor

