Mailing Address: 275 FM 2538, New Berlin, TX 78155

Monday, August 18, 2025 – 6:30 p.m. Location: 9180 FM 775, La Vernia, TX 78121

Regular City Council Meeting - Minutes

1. Call Meeting to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call: City Secretary Roxann Pullin provided the roll call with Mayor Williams, noting a quorum of the following Council members Present: Joyce Wolfe, Beverly Felts, Jeffrey Schlichting, Greg Williford & Mike Hale

2. Opening: Pledge of Allegiance US Flag & TX Flag led by Mayor Williams. Invocation led by Council Member Williford.

3. Comments:

- a. Mayor Comments Mayor Williams provided the following:
 - Apologized for scheduling the community workday on a hot day in August. Will move community workday to a
 cooler month.
- b. County Commissioner Comments Commissioner Germann provided the following:
 - Nothing to Report.
- c. Fire Chief Comments Chief Strey's Assistant provided the following:
 - Raffle tickets for 2025 Can-Am are sold out. Drawing will be held at the Sausage Festival. New brush truck is coming next week. Zuehl road is currently closed. Budget for the VFD from Guadalupe County has been set.
- d. City Marshal Comments Chief Marshal Hatcher provided the following:
 - Reserve Marshal to be sworn in soon.
 Activity report for the dates 07/01/25 to 07/31/25
 - Total Stops- 154
 - Total citations issued- 131
 - Warnings issued- 91
 - No Through Trucks- 7
 - Speeding Equal to 10% or more- 1
 - Speeding 1 MPH- 14 MPH Over Limit- 5
 - Speeding 11-15 MPH Over Limit- 4
 - Speeding 15-20 MPH Over Limit- 2
 - Speeding 21-24 Over Limit- 1
 - Speeding 6-10 MPH Over Limit- 3
 - Defective Stop Lamp(s)- 6
 - Defective Tail Lamp(s)- 1
 - Display Fictitious, Altered, or Obscured License Plate- 1
 - Display Unclean License Plate- 1
 - Display Fictitious, Altered, or Obscured Registration Insignia- 3
 - Disregard Stop Sign- 5
 - Disregard No Passing Zone- 1
 - Disregard Official Traffic Control Device- 1
 - Driving While License Invalid- 6
 - Expired Driver's License- 2
 - Expired Registration- 16
 - Fail to Display Driver's License- 8
 - Fail to Report Change of Address/Name- 2
 - Failed to Maintain Financial Responsibility- 17
 - Failed to Maintain Financial Responsibility 2nd Offense- 4
 - Fail to Yield at Stop Intersection- 1

- Illegal Window Tent- 1
- No Driver's License (When Unlicensed)- 2
- No Seat Bely- Driver- 1
- Open Container- 2
- Operate Unregistered Motor Vehicle- 15
- Operate Vehicle w/no License Plate or One Plate- 2
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia- 6
- Operation of Vehicle Without Registration Sticker- 1
- Operation of Vehicle Under Improper Registration- 1
- Unrestrained Child <8 and <4'9-1
- Unrestrained Child- Safety Seat- 1
- Notes:
- 4 Warrant Arrest- FTA/Theft of Property \$100 <\$750, Assault causes Bodily Injury Family Violence, Probation Violation & DWI W/Open Container, Probation Violation for Human Smuggling.
- 8 Calls for Service- Disturbance, Cruelty to Animals, Lost/Missing Horse, Missing Person, Welfare Concern, Traffic Hazard x2, Criminal Trespass.
- Flock Analytics:102,512 Plate Reads (Missing 7 Days)
- e. City Council Members Comments: Council Member Jeff Schlichting provided the following:
 - Sausage festival will be a beneficial help for the VFD. Plates are \$15 each.
- f. Public Comments: This time is provided for the public to address the City Council on issues or concerns. NO CITY COUNCIL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THIS TIME. Please add your name to the sign-up list BEFORE THE MEETING. Public comment(s) may be limited to 3 minutes per speaker. You will be called upon by the Mayor during the meeting. Any person making personal, impertinent, or slanderous remarks while addressing the Council may be directed to leave the meeting.
 - Anna Luensmann-Topic: None- Did not mean to sign up to speak.
 - Eric Trammell-Topic: None-Would like to see financials for 2024.
 - Glen Muenshaw- Topic: None- Raised concerns about Dollar General outside lights. They are shining into his yard/house at night.
 - Kim Schlichting-Topic: Announcements Urged residents to attend the upcoming Commissioners Court at 10 AM on 08/19/2025. Donations needed for Sausage Festival. Raffle Tickets are still available 6 for \$5.
- g. Planning and Zoning Commission Comments: Diana Strey provided the following:
 - P&Z working on Comprehensive Plan.
- h. Other Committee Comments
 - 1. PARKS and PLAYGROUNDS Kim Schlichting provided the following:
 - Nothing to report.
- 4. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Discussion/Action on these Consent Agenda items to be acted on in a single motion.
 - 1. Minutes: City Council Meeting 07/21/2025
 - 2. Financial Reports: July 2025.

Mayor Williams read the above items into record. Council Member Joyce Wolfe motioned to approve the consent agenda items 1 through 2. Council Member Beverly Felts seconded the motion. The vote of 5-0. Motion carried.

- 5. Council Discussion/Action:
 - a. Discussion/Action Road Repairs

Mayor Williams introduced item to Council. Council Member Jeff Schlichting stated he has not obtained a second bid yet. This item was discussion only and tabled until bid is received. No Action Taken.

b. Discussion/Action Playground Maintenance

Mayor Williams introduced item to Council. Mayor Williams presented a second bid from a local resident to install new rubber vigoro mulch in the playground. The bid from Coats of Armor and the bid from local resident was reviewed. Council Member Mike Hale motioned to approve bid from local resident due to cost is much lower than Coats of Armor. Council Member Joyce Wolfe seconded the motion. The vote of 5-0. Motion carried.

c. Discussion/Action Ambulance Service

Mayor Williams introduced item to Council. Schertz EMS representative was in attendance and stated that he will reach out to Fire Chief Kurt Strey to go over a 3-year contract agreement. In the meantime, Schertz EMS and other surrounding EMS services are covering the New Berlin area since New Berlin does not have an EMS provider currently, due to Acadian Ambulance Services withdrawing from the area. This item was discussion only and tabled until contract is drawn up. No Action Taken.

d. Discussion/Action TML Cyber Liability & Data Breach Response Interlocal Agreement

Mayor Williams introduced item to Council. Interlocal Agreement was reviewed. Council Member Jeff Schlichting motioned to approve Interlocal Agreement up to \$1850.00. Council Member Mike Hale seconded the motion. The vote of 5-0. Motion carried.

e. Discussion/Action Franchise Fees

Mayor Williams introduced item to Council. Franchise Fee needs to be established with Spectrum. Currently GVEC and Southwestern Bell are paying Franchise Fees to the City of New Berlin. An Ordinance will need to be written to establish Franchise Fees to Spectrum. Council Member Mike Hale motioned to approve the writing of an Ordinance to establish Franchise Fees to Spectrum. Council Member Jeff Schlichting seconded the motion. The vote of 5-0. Motion carried.

- 6. Announcements: None
- 7. Adjournment: As there was no future business, Mayor Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:57 p.m.

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