

CITY OF EAST TAWAKONI FEBRUARY 17, 2026 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

1. Mayor called the Council meeting to order at: 7:00pm

ROLL CALL Terri Rose John Disch Chuck Moore Ed Fortuna
 Ken Reed
Quorum: Yes No
Staff: Heather McClaskey Rick South Kyle Washburn Jeff Swaggerty John Hall
 Lane Martin Adella Atherton
Other: Clint Cross
Visitors: #25

3. PLEDGES LED BY Mayor

4. INVOCATION GIVEN BY Mayor

5. The Consent items are considered to be self-explanatory and will be enacted with one motion:
Approve minutes of Regular CC Meeting of JANUARY 2026
Approve Bills for JANUARY 2026

Motion: Approve January 2026 Minutes & Bills

made by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
Second by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
In favor: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
Opposed: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
Motion: Carries Fails

6. Citizens Comments

Citizens, who wish to address the Council, may discuss matters not on the agenda and who have not previously expressed to the Council or City Hall a desire to discuss such matters. Anyone wishing to speak should sign-up on the provided sheet, prior to the start of the meeting. Presentation shall be limited to three (3) minutes each. The only response from the Council can be a to request these items to be placed on a future agenda for discussion or action

Cynthia Willis- Water conservation and leak repairs. Leak on Fullerton Road when will it be fixed? Club Park Court, 155 Oak leaf when will those leaks be fixed? We are loosing over a million gallons a year with all the leaks.

Jordan Anderson- Has concerns for building a new building when we have bigger issues with roads and water issues. Concern about not having funds for deferred maintenance if spending more money on a building consider cheaper options, other items need to come first.

HL Thomas – Concerns regarding the roads through town. Club Circle water leak still not fixed, starting to erode the roads. Water department needs more help.

7. Discuss and Approve if Necessary:

- a. Police Department:
- b. Permits/License and Court:
- c. Code Enforcement/Animal Control –
- d. Fire Department – 29 calls/22 medical
- e. Economic Development Corp – Race across the bridge 5/9/26
- f. Planning & Zoning -
- g. Spirit of East Tawakoni- April Get me Egged/4-10 & 4-11 Plant Sale/4-17 Guys & Gals BINGO
- h. Library – Tuesday & Thursday after school program 430-730/Thursday 11-2 game day
- i. Water Department –

8. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny the Adoption of a Resolution authorizing an application for financial assistance from the Texas Development Board

Motion: Approve Resolution

made by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Second by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 In favor: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Opposed: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Motion: Carries Fails

9. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny Hiring USCA as the financial advisors for the TWDB grant process

Motion: Approve hiring USCA

made by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Second by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 In favor: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Opposed: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Motion: Carries Fails

10. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny Front and Rear Building line changes for 514 Briggs Blvd.

Motion: Approve Request

made by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Second by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 In favor: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Opposed: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Motion: Carries Fails

11. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny moving \$18,137 from the lift station budget line to the wastewater treatment plant line to repair boat at sewer plant

Motion: Approve and move to Capital expenditures

made by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Second by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 In favor: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Opposed: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Motion: Carries Fails

12. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny design for the Pd/City Hall building and selecting a designer to draw up official blueprint

Motion: Approve Tripple M designs to draw up official blue print and pay with PD fundraiser funds

made by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Second by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 In favor: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Opposed: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Motion: Carries Fails

17. Council Comments

18. Mayor Comments

1. Law suit by Frontier Communications:

a. No change in status – no further actions have been taken by either party.

2. Opening for Water/Sewer Field Tech

a. Due to a recent employee termination, the city has posted an open Employment Requisition for a field tech. Two applications are currently under review

3. Interlocal Agreement with Rains County

a. Still waiting on action by Rains County to present a new agreement for city council to review and vote to approve or decline the proposal.

4. Ethics Refresher Training

a. A 90-minute training session consisting of a formal review of the City's Ethics policy was conducted with all department employees. The curriculum covered the primary elements of Ethical Standards including Sexual Harassment, Hostile Work Environment, and Unethical and Unlawful Discrimination.

5. Delinquent Water & Sewer Tap Installations

- a. The Water/Sewer department has initiated action to address the backlog of water & sewer taps. Significant process has been made this month.

6. Work on City Park Playground Equipment

- a. The swing set that was reported to be unstable has been repaired with two sets of legs on each end and new chains and hardware has been installed for additional safety features. Work continues on the large complex with multiple features. The unit is now stable and preparation for painting has begun

7. Primary Elections

- a. During the month the City hosted two candidate forum venues for local citizens to "Meet & Greet" individuals running for public office. Candidates and citizens expressed appreciation for the opportunity to discuss issues and interact with multiple candidates.
- b. Early Voting Began 8:00 am today and will end 7:00 pm Friday, 27 February. Election Day is Tuesday March 3, 2026; 7am – 7pm.

19. Executive Session

20. Re-convene from Executive Session

21. City Council to discuss and or take action from Executive Session

Motion:

made by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Second by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 In favor: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Opposed: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Motion: Carries Fails

22. Motion to Adjourn

Motion: To adjourn

made by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Second by: Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 In favor: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Opposed: All Terri John Chuck Ed Ken
 Motion: Carries Fails

Meeting Adjourn @ 9:03 PM

Approve


Harold Chandler, Mayor

Attest


Heather McClaskey, City Secretary