

CITY OF EAST TAWAKONI MAY 19, 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 ☒ Clint Cross ☐ Jeff Swaggerty ☒ John Hall
☐ Lane Martin ☐ Adella Atherton

Other:

Visitors: #15

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 April 2026
Approve Bills for April 2026

Motion: Approve April Minutes and April Bills

made by:	☐ Terri	☐ John	☒ Chuck	☐ Ed	☐ Ken
Second by:	☐ Terri	☐ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☒ Ken
In favor:	☐ All	☐ Terri	☒ John	☒ Chuck	☒ Ed
Opposed:	☐ All	☐ Terri	☐ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed
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

7. Discuss and Approve if Necessary:

- Police Department:
- Code Enforcement/Animal Control –
- Permits/License and Court:
- Fire Department –
- Economic Development Corp – 107 people for Race Across the Bridge
- Planning & Zoning -
- Spirit of East Tawakoni- Bake Sale in July/Parade July 4th/ET will be in Emory Veterans Parade with a Trailor with all ET Veterans
- Library –
- Water Department –

8. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny to authorize the Mayor to Sign agreement with Grant Works for the TPWD Grant

Motion: Approve Mayor to sign

made by:	☐ Terri	☒ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☐ Ken	
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In favor:	☐ All	☐ Terri	☒ John	☒ Chuck	☒ Ed	☒ Ken
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9. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny request of variance to construct an accessory building on an empty lot located across the street from the residence of the applicant

Motion: Table to send out letters to adjoining property to get their input first

made by:	☐ Terri	☐ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☒ Ken	
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In favor:	☐ All	☐ Terri	☒ John	☐ Chuck	☒ Ed	☒ Ken
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Motion:	☒ Carries	☐ Fails				

10. To discuss and possibly take action or no action if agenda item 9 is approved, to approve or deny permit/plans due to size structure

Motion: No action needed since Item 9 was Tabled

made by:	☐ Terri	☐ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☐ Ken	
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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 Skill games for Amusement for Lake Front known as Docs

Motion: Deny application

made by:	☐ Terri	☒ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☐ Ken	
Second by:	☐ Terri	☐ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☒ Ken	
In favor:	☐ All	☐ Terri	☒ John	☒ Chuck	☒ Ed	☒ Ken
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12. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny combining four (4) lots into one (1) lot 549 Tawakoni Dr (PID #7127,7128,7138,7137) – Indian Hills Subdivision

Motion: Approve combing lots into 1 lot

made by:	☐ Terri	☒ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☐ Ken	
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13. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny 2025 Audit – Mike Ward

Motion: No action needed, Mike Ward didn't make meeting

made by:	☐ Terri	☐ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☐ Ken	
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In favor:	☐ All	☐ Terri	☐ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☐ Ken
Opposed:	☐ All	☐ Terri	☐ John	☐ Chuck	☐ Ed	☐ Ken
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14. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny Petition for Creation of an Emergency Services District, Hunt County part of East Tawakoni

Motion: No Action Needed

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15. To discuss and possibly take action or no action to approve or deny regarding mowing properties that are not in compliance with Code Enforcement

Motion: Until another resolution is found, City to take care of lots, negotiate costs be allocated to each property as tax lien, case by case basis

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16. To discuss and possibly take action or no action letter received by the city. *The Council reserves the right to adjourn into closed session during the discussion of this item to discuss the matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)*

Motion: Adjourn and Discuss

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17. Executive Session

Consultation with City Attorney

18. Re-convene from Executive Session

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

Motion: No Action Needed

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20. Council Comments

Ken: Code Enforcement following up with people after they are applying for permits to make sure they are doing the work as they stated in their application

21. Mayor Comments

1. Law suit by Frontier Communications

a. No further updates until actions are taken by legal counsel

2. Opening for Water/Sewer Field Tech

a. Two hire offers made and accepted by candidates who are currently employed.
The public works department is now at full staff level.

3. Staff Social Media Training:

- a. Refresher Training on use of social media by Government Officials will be conducted by end of month

4. City Park Play Ground:

- a. Paint preparations on City Park Playground Equipment will resume as weather permits.

5. Park Grant:

- a. Grand submittal plans in work and looking promising for making the cut for final consideration by the review committee

6. City wide clean up conducted last week was well received by citizens who filled up multiple 40ft dumpsters

7. National Police Week May 10-16th:

- a. East Tawakoni Police Chief, Rick South, Sgt. Jeff Swagerty and Patrol & Code Enforcement Officer John Hall were among several East Texas Law enforcement personnel recognized in a 2-page photo tribute in the recent Rains Co. Leader. From all the citizens of East Tawakoni, thank you for your service to our community.

8. Race Across the Bridge:

- a. The 6th Annual Race Across the Bridge was held on Saturday May 9th. Thanks to Chuck Fitz for posting the start of the 5k race and the first finisher of the Victory Dash on the front and last page of the Rains Co. Leader. A total of 107 racers participated in their choice of 3 events: A 400yd Victory Dash for Special Need individuals, A nautical Mile Fun Run and a 5k Race. Every participant received a medal as they crossed the finish line. The event was sponsored by the EDC and staffed by a multitude of volunteers and city employees. Big thanks to DOT for sweeping the bridge clean for runners, several volunteers registering the racers, ETVFD for cone placement & traffic safety, Fire Dept for emergency management in Terri Rose's absence due to an injury, John Disch & Troy Barker for Start/Finish Line Set-up & teardown, 10 plus citizens who drove their golf carts to shuttle runners to and from the starting line, Dawn & Paul Avritt for hydration station, Texas Game Warden, Dwayne Noble for water safety patrol boat & Kevin Featherston as he paced runners from his pontoon boat blasting Music to Run by and our own Police

department with all safety measures coordinated by Chief South. Proceeds collected by the EDC will be contributed to the City Park Fund.

22. Motion to Adjourn

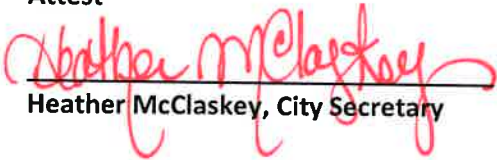
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Meeting Adjourn @ 9:02 PM

Approve


Harold Chandler, Mayor

Attest


Heather McClaskey, City Secretary