

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
December 1, 2025**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, December 1, 2025, at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas. The elected officials present included Mayor, Connie Koopmann, Alderwoman, Kathy Kleiber, Aldermen, Greg Thomas, Frank Wick III, Roger Moellenberndt, and Clarence Ahlschlager. City staff present included City Administrator, Tami Walker, Police Chief, Troy Brenek, City Inspector, Billy Nunn, and City Secretary, Mason Florus.

Visitors included Darrell Vyvjala of the Schulenburg Sticker, Chairperson of the Planning and Zoning Commission, Tina Bohlmann, Bradley Loehr with BEFCO Engineering, and Michael Ohnheiser.

Mayor Koopmann called role. Mason Florus said a prayer over the meeting and its members. Mayor Koopmann led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Alderman Wick made a motion, seconded by Alderman Thomas, to accept Consent Agenda Items A, B, and C. The motion passed unanimously.

- A. Minutes from the Regular Scheduled Council Meeting held on November 17, 2025
- B. Payment of Current Bills
- C. Quarterly Investment Report – Third (Amended)

Planning and Zoning Commission Chairperson, Tina Bohlmann, presented to Council the results from their latest meeting on a Replat Request for the property located at 1133 August Street, Schulenburg, Texas, for the purpose of splitting a single lot into two separate lots.

Ms. Bohlmann informed Council that the resident is wanting to put in a "Mother-in-Law Suite" on the back half of the property. There also is an easement for another driveway.

Ms. Bohlmann announced that there was no opposition and the Commission voted to grant the request and spilt the one lot into two.

Alderwoman Kleiber made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to approve the replat. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker led discussion on amending the Employee Health Benefits Defined Contribution for City Employees and Authorizing City Administrator to select Insurance Broker.

Mrs. Walker informed Council that due to forecasted increases by the insurance brokers, the City budgeted a 17% increase for employee health benefits. The current numbers will put the City very close to that mark.

Staff is suggesting a \$1,200 defined contribution (up from \$1,000 last year) to supply employee only coverage for health, dental, vision, and life insurance for all fulltime employees.

Mrs. Walker noted that the City did shop with other local brokers through Higgenbotham but will continue to stay with the Heaney Group.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ahlschlager, to set the defined contribution at \$1,200 and authorize City Administrator to select Insurance Broker and Consultant Services. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Koopmann invited Bradley Loehr with BEFCO Engineering to present to Council on awarding a bid for Waterline and Sewerline Improvements on East Avenue.

Mr. Loehr informed Council that on Friday, November 21st, a bid opening was held with four companies responding. The bids varied from \$541,078.56 to \$337,275.69. Loehr continued that the project is going to be replacing the waterline on East Ave. from H.N. Schwartz to Summit, and replacing the sewer line on East Ave and continue South towards Prime Products. Much of the existing sewer line is old clay pipe. This project is utilities only and will consist of no drainage or street improvements. The City is providing most of the material.

Mr. Loehr stated that WJC and Mercer have both worked for the City and BEFCO in the past and were close in their estimates. However, BEFCO recommends WJC as the lowest responsible bidder.

Mayor Koopmann asked for a timeline on the project. Mr. Loehr answered 90 days. Alderman Ahlschlager asked if this was a budgeted item, Mrs. Walker replied that it is. Next Alderman Ahlschlager followed up if this project will be underbudget. Mr. Loehr interjected that the City is still waiting on some dollar amounts coming in for some material but to his knowledge, it still should be under budget.

Alderman Ahlschlager made a motion, seconded Alderwoman Kleiber, to award WJC Constructors Services LLC the bid for the amount of \$337,275.69. The motion passed unanimously.

Under Mayor Comments, Mayor Koopmann announced that she, Alderwoman Kleiber, and Alderman Moellenberndt attended the Community Thanksgiving Service. The Service was at the Baptist Church this year and Mayor praised the different congregations for making it a great service. Alderwoman Kleiber agreed stating the service was a great sense of community and what Thanksgiving is all about.

Mayor Koopmann reminded everyone of the upcoming lighted Christmas Parade. Mayor also stated that she probably won't be able to attend the next meeting, so she wanted to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays.

Municipal Court Judge, Kayla Peters', Chief Brenek's Police and Code Enforcement, Library Director, Thadious Polasek's, Fire Marshal, Steve Strickland's, and Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller's reports were all included in Council's Packets.

Alderwoman Kleiber asked Chief about the code violations and how the warnings work. Chief replied that after a warning is issued, the resident has ten days to comply. Subsequent warnings are usually for new violations.

Chief informed Council of the incident that occurred in town this morning, as an individual was running up and down Highway 77. He wanted to thank other law enforcement agencies and 4 civilians who stopped to assist to detain the subject without incident.

Alderman Wick asked if there should be anyone at the Sports Complex after dark. Chief replied that curfew is at 11:00 P.M., so as long as it's before then, individuals have a right to be in the Complex.

City Administrator, Tami Walker, reported the following to Council:

- Mason and I have been meeting with Insurance Brokers for Employee's benefits
- BEFCO informed the City of WJC's Pay AP #5. The paperwork came in after the deadline to post the agenda. For transparency purposes, the check amount to be cut is \$101,551.85.
- Attended an EDC Meeting
- Contract has been sent to the attorney for review for the interior demolition of City Hall (535 N. Main).

Alderman Ahlschlager made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to adjourn the meeting at 6:58. The motion passed unanimously.