

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
July 6, 2026**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, July 6, 2026, 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, Roger Moellenberndt, and Randy Mican. City staff present included City Administrator, Tami Walker, Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller, Police Chief, Troy Brenek, and City Secretary, Mason Florus.

Visitors included Darrell Vyvjala of the Schulenburg Sticker, Drew Whittington with Government Capital Securities, Lisa Goodlander, 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 Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to accept Consent Agenda Items A, B, and C. The motion passed unanimously.

- A. Minutes from the Budget Workshop held on June 10th, 2026.
- B. Minutes from the Regular Scheduled Council Meeting held on June 15th, 2026.
- C. Payment of Current Bills.

Ms. Walker suggested to Council that since Item A depends on Item B, she asked if Council wished to swap their order on the Agenda. Council agreed.

Mayor Koopmann announced that Council will visit Item B first before Item A.

Ms. Walker led discussion on a maximum Project Budget, provided by PGAL, for the renovations of City Hall (535 N. Main) including Furniture, Audio-Video, and Security.

Ms. Walker stated that she has been in communication with Justine from PGAL, and she requested a maximum budget number Council felt comfortable with. Ms. Walker reminded Council that the "soft costs" such as furniture, AV, security, etc., were included in PGAL's low, mid-point, and high range project costs estimates.

Alderwoman Kleiber proclaimed that it's better to pay for these goods up front. Alderman Mican agreed stating that it would be easier to run all the wires now while the building is gutted.

Mayor Koopmann asked Drew Whittington with Government Capital Securities how much cost of issuances would run. Mr. Whittington replied roughly \$200,000.

Mayor Koopmann suggested the project budget be \$7.5 million.

Alderman Thomas made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Kleiber, to set the maximum project budget, provided by PGAL, to be \$7.5 million. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor then revisited Item A, and invited Mr. Whittington to lead discussion on a resolution authorizing publication of notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation, series 2026 and authorizing certain matters relating thereto.

Mr. Whittington reported numbers to Council based off an \$8 million certificate. He forecasted potential \$11.18 per month increase per \$100,000 home valuation. He suggested leaving the certificate at \$8 million since Council decided on a \$7.5 million budget max.

Alderwoman Klieber stated that the PD should be included in addition to the water well in case of excess funds.

Alderman Mican suggested also including wastewater plant improvements since staff is exploring other funding options for the water well.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Thomas, to pass the resolution authorizing publication of notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation not to exceed \$8 million to be incurred for City Hall and Police Station renovations, water and sewer system improvements including water well and wastewater plant, and contractual obligations for professional services pursuant to Subchapter C of Chapter 271, Texas Local Government Code, as amended. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Walker led discussion on Amending Electrical Rates as part of the City of Schulenburg Schedule of Fees.

Ms. Walker highlighted that this is in regards to fees for oversized loads coming through town, this does not affect utility customer's electric rates.

Alderman Mican made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Kleiber, to charge \$250 per hour for bucket truck and operator, \$200 per hour for digger truck and operator, \$200 per hour for pickup truck and operator, \$500 per hour for after hours bucket truck and operator, \$400 per hour for afterhours digger truck and operator, and \$400 per hour for afterhours pickup truck and operator. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Walker led discussion on omitting former Accounts Payable, Julie Cernosek, from the signature card for the GLO Account held at the City's Depository, Huntington Bank.

Ms. Walker informed Council while switching over accounts from Cadence to Huntington, staff realized Julie, who is now retired, is still on the signature card. The bank will need formal action to remove her from the account.

Alderwoman Kleiber made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to omit former Accounts Payable, Julie Cernorsek, from the signature card for the GLO Account at the City's Depository, Huntington Bank. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Koopman invited Chief Brenek to lead discussion on an Ordinance to prohibit and remove all amusement redemption machine game rooms in the City of Schulenburg.

Chief commented that two years ago, SPD seized numerous illegal gaming machines from business. Chief informed Council that Attorney General Paxton has issued an opinion (included in Council's Packet) on these machines. As a result, the City wishes to stay ahead of this issues and issue an ordinance banning these machines and gaming rooms inside City Limits.

Alderman Mican made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to pass the ordinance. The motion passed unanimously.

Under Mayor's Comments, Mayor Koopmann wanted to thank Public Works for putting out the flags. It really made town festive for America 250.

Municipal Court Judge, Kayla Peter's, Police Chief, Troy Brenek's Police and Conde 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.

Alderman Moellenberndt inquired about East Ave. Public Works Director, Darryl Moeller, responded that crews are going to pave Wolters Park Thursday, so they'll do East Ave. either Friday afternoon or first thing Monday morning.

City Administrator, Tami Walker, reported the following:

- Working on budget
- I purchased Christmas Decorations for \$47,956. It's thirteen swooshes for downtown and two "Seasons Greetings" signs for the north and south side of town on 77.
- Met with Kraftsman on playground equipment. The total for the playground equipment is \$367,217.06. The City has budgeted \$160,000 of that. After attending the EDC meeting, the EDC has verbally agreed to funding the rest. If approved it will be installed around November at the Sports Complex

Chief Brenek did want to ask for Council's blessing. He announced that there is potential funding through a USDA Rural Grant for PD renovations. Council agreed, he should look into it.

Chief also informed Council that the department is considering joining the 287 G Immigration Program. If they participate, the Department could earn up to \$90,000 a quarter. Aldermen Moellenberndt and Thomas along with Alderwoman Kleiber said it was worth looking into.

At 7:36, Council adjourned into an Executive Session pursuant to Local Government Code 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property) located at 605 Upton Avenue.

Council entered back into regular session at 8:12 P.M.

After much discussion, it was agreed to that terminating the non-binding agreement at 605 Upton Avenue was the most beneficial. The property owner did not respond to negotiations of an extension. Temporary housing on city property was solid option for the city council to consider. Therefore, the following action was taken.

Alderwoman Kleiber made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to purchase a portable office from Fayette Country Homes with an ADA Ramp for \$118,592.40. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Mican, to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.