August 10, 2026

The Newcastle City Council met in meeting at Newcastle City Hall, 608 Broadway Ave, Newcastle, Texas at 6:00 pm on Monday August 10th 2026, with the following members present:

MEMBERS:

Mayor:	Dickie Baynes
Council Member:	Sarah Riley
	Chad Owen
	Dustin Hobbs
	Josh Duffield (absent)
	Nick Martin
City Secretary:	Alice Winder
Public Works:	Brent Casteel

PRAYER: 6:03pm Dusty Hobbs opened in prayer.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: Dickie Baynes

PUBLIC FORUM: Pecos & Sydney Bohanan & Jerry & Tammy Mays

SCOTT CRONES W/DOS CASAS – INQUIRING ABOUT INFRASTRUCTURE ON BIG SANDY RD.- Mr. Crone stated that he was under contract to purchase 497 Big Sandy. He was asking what size of line was on Big Sandy and he asked if he could upgrade the water line on his side and a lot of discussion went on about the infrastructure. The line 2" line is what is out on Big Sandy now and he is wanting to build a RV Park. His plans are to install 24 RVs and 4 tiny homes (cabins)and he needed to know if it was feasible and if the city would have an issue with it. The mayor commented that it would be very hard for the 2" line to provide what he is needing. But more research is needed, and the city council told Mr. Crone that they would need to call him back once more research has been done. They would have to have a special meeting for all members to have time to decide.

APPROVAL OF JULY FINANCIALS-ACTION REQUIRED – Dusty Hobbs made a motion, and Sarah Riley seconded it. **Approved 4-0**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR JULY- ACTION REQUIRED- Chad Owen made a motion and Dusty Hobbs seconded it. **Approved 4-0**

DISCUSSION ON RATE INCREASES FOR WATER, SEWER & TRASH TAKING EFFECT IN SEPTEMBER INVOICES- Dusty Hobbs made a motion & Sarah Riley second it. **Approved 4-0**

DISCUSSION ON TAX RATE CALCULATION SHEET & VOTE ON A TAX RATE FOR THE YEAR 2026-2027- The city council voted on .320093. Dusty Hobbs made a motion and Sarah Riley second it. **Approval 4-0**

DISCUSSION ON DATE TO START THE DUCK HUNTING APPLICATIONS- Dusty said licenses for duck hunting are being sold so the city could start taking applications. The drawings will be conducted the same as last year.

- **Discuss and Award Bid for City of Newcastle Sewer Improvements TXCDBG Project No. CDV23-0104**
  Bids were opened at City Hall on July 14, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Kyler Norman with Corlett, Probst & Boyd reviewed the references for the lowest bidder and recommends awarding the contract to Capital Underground Utilities, LLC, in the amount of $218,410.00 for the base bid, along with Alternate 1 ($72,850.00) and Alternate 2 ($66,950.00), for a total contract amount of $358,210.00.

- **Presentation of TDA Form A1024 CDBG Section 3 Goals and Concepts as related to the CDBG Program and Grant Contract CDV23-0104.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:45-7:00pm

MAYOR'S UPDATE:

ADJORNMENT: Chad Owen made the motion, and Sarah Riley seconded it.

Dickie Baynes, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alice Winder, City Secretary