

**Minutes of the July 18, 2022, Special Called City Council Meeting at Heritage Hall, 7:00 PM.**

The Merkel City Council met for a Special Called City Council Meeting on July 18, 2022, at Heritage Hall, 7:00 PM. Mayor Schramper called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM and announced a quorum present. Council members present were Matthew Riggan, Joseph Wilson, Gary Hicks, Larry Hewitt and Brady Rutledge.

Mayor Schramper led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

Prayer led by Larry Hewitt.

Citizens were given an opportunity to comment.

Motion to enter Executive Session was made by Brady Rutledge and seconded by Joseph Wilson. Approved 5-0.

Mayor Schramper entered Executive Session at 7:10 PM to discuss continuation of the Employment Agreement between the City and Steve Campbell. Executive Session closed at 8:30 PM.

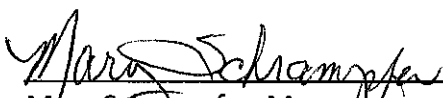
Open Meeting resumed at 8:30 PM.

Motion was made by Gary Hicks to terminate the contract between the City and Steve Campbell and seconded by Matthew Riggan. Councilman Rutledge spoke against the motion. Approved 3-2. For: Gary Hicks, Matthew Riggan, Larry Hewitt. Against: Brady Rutledge, Joseph Wilson.

Brady Rutledge motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Joseph Wilson and approved 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:37 PM.

  
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Evelyn Morse, City Secretary

  
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Mary Schramper, Mayor