Minutes of May 15, 2025, Called City Council Meeting at Heritage Hall, 6:00 PM.

The Merkel City Council met for a Called City Council Meeting on May 15, 2025, at Heritage Hall, 6:00 PM. Mayor Schrampfer called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and announced a quorum present. Council members present were Elaine Chaney, Collin Jacobs, Brady Rutledge, Rode McElreath and Matthew Riggan.

Prayer led by Brady Rutledge.

Mayor Schrampfer led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

Citizens were given an opportunity to comment.

The Council entered executive session at 6:02 pm under Texas Gov't Code Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters). Executive session ended at 7:06 pm.

The Council reconvened to open meeting at 7:07 pm.

Rode McElreath motioned to move forward in offering the City Manager position to Matthew Hitt and for Matthew Riggan to negotiate the employment contract. Brady Rutledge seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

Brady Rutledge's motion to adjourn and seconded by Matthew Riggan. Approved 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:36 PM.

Evelyn Morse, City Secretary

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