

Minutes of September 1, 2026, Called City Council Meeting at Heritage Hall, 6:00 PM.

The Merkel City Council met for a Called City Council Meeting on September 1, 2026, at Heritage Hall, 6:00 PM. Mayor Cobbs called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and announced a quorum present. Council members present were Elaine Chaney, Collin Jacobs, Tyler Newberry, Lexi Smith and Matthew Riggan.

Prayer was led by Collin Jacobs.

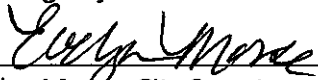
Mayor Cobb led the Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge.

Citizens were given an opportunity to comment.

Motion was made by Elaine Chaney to approve the proposed tax rate of \$0.63 cents for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2026 and ending September 30, 2027 (FY2027) and was seconded by Lexi Smith. Approved 5-0 with Councilmembers Riggan, Chaney, Jacobs, Smith and Newberry with all voting yes.

Tyler Newberry motioned to adjourn and was seconded by Collin Jacobs. Approved 5-0.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:04 PM.



Evelyn Morse, City Secretary



Ray Cobb, Mayor