

## Nordheim City Council Meeting

Monday February 23, 2026

The regular meeting of the Nordheim City Council was called to order at 5:57 p.m. by Mayor P. Garcia. Council Members present R. Garcia, L. Baucum, F. Warwas, D. Pfeifer, and R. Hale . City Secretary K. Caves and City Clerk M. Knight present.

Visitors: None

**Minutes from September were mailed for pre approval.** R. Garcia motioned to approve the minutes, second by F. Warwas. All approved

### **New Business**

**Utility Truck:** K. Caves presented a list for the council to look over about the new utility truck that was purchased. K. Caves needed to know about the decal label for the truck. Do we want to do a magnetic sign, or do what was done in the past and get some sticky letters to add on to the truck. The council discusses it over and wants to go by and get a nice magnetic decal. They would like to see what companies around would do it and online. A tool box for the back of the truck was discussed and was dismissed to not have one on the truck. Having a step-up/running board added to the truck. The council has suggested looking at junk yards, and a few different locations with prices to get one. Maintenance light: the maintenance crew has complained that the caution light on the truck has not been staying on while the truck is turned off. F. Warwas suggested to check the outlets on the truck and report back after this.

**TML Insurance:** K. Caves called TML about getting the car insurance for our new truck which was not an issue, however they brought up that we have not contacted them and finished on the quote changes and estimates for our account. The list of items TML sent back to the council to look over and add a value to them. The council does not believe all of these items should be insured. K. Caves also mentioned about the quotes increasing for the General Liability limit to \$1 million- which would cost additional \$50 annually. TML also sent a formal proposal for coverage which included quotes for Law Enforcement Liability, Errors & Omissions Liability, and Cyber Liability/ Data Breach Response. R. Hale asked do we have any liability rental insurance on the Recreational Center? K. Caves is not sure if we do or not but will look into the insurance on the recreational center and bring it to the next council meeting. Council members mentioned to have signs up in the recreation center not liable for accidents. The cyber liability and data breach response council agrees to go ahead with this form. Bid/ proposal summary for law enforcement the council does not see necessary since we do not have any law enforcement in our city. The Errors & Omissions the council does agree to the proposal of 500,000 limit 1,000 deductible with the annual contribution of 1,136. R. Hale motioned to purchase the Cyber Liability and Data Breach Response and the Errors &

Omissions second by L. Baucum all approved. K. Caves asked that the council take the time and a good look over the list of items that needs to be valued for TML.

**Waste Connection Brush Pick-up and May Dumpster Date:** M. Knight talked with waste connection about brush pick, they discussed the May 5 date is the pick-up for limbs only not trash and tires. They will pick-up the week of May 5th and then Saturday May 9th the company will set up a garbage truck, and 2-3 dumpsters. The Saturday May 9th will be no charge but the days for the limb pick-up there will be charges. The limb pick-up will be \$45 per ton. The company will be charging us by the ton so we would not know the exact amount. So the question is do we want to have a budget we would like to stay under and the company will stop pick-up when they reach this limit. There is going to be a limit and rules to how the limbs are put out on the road and also for the trash dump date on May 9th. Our office will be sending out a letter with the water bill so everyone who has trash with the city will know what the plan is. M. Knight wanted to make May 9th a good day and no events will be happening on this date. Their company is planning to be here from 8am to noon. We are not staying and keeping the dumpsters after this time frame. The Limbs will be pick-up curbside at the homes. For Saturday it is a one time deal only and we will not have the dumpsters for the entire day and night. It was asked, is it with-in our budget to do this? This arrangement was not included in our budget but since we did not use all the money that was budgeted for the truck we should be able to do this the one time. L. Baucum motioned to do a \$2,000 limit for the brush pick-up, second by R. Garcia all approved.

**Extended Warranty for Office Generators and Surge Protectors:** M. Knight presented, this is for the Generac outside. We had someone come out to do maintenance on it and the cost was \$400.00 that we paid. The company is recommending that we get a surge protector. They said to pick one either high or the low. The generator does not have any protection as of right now so if it gets hit by lightning that's it. The price on the surge protectors is a one time payment and the company will install them. The company also suggests that we get a valve adjustment at 25 hours; we are currently at 6 hours, which is still about a year away or more. The extended warranty we can still warranty under the extended warranty depends on how many months we have left when we tell them that we want it. We are able to purchase an extended warranty until June 6, 2028. If we want one now it is between \$1200 - \$1400 on the device. The surge protector is a one time cost, the value adjustment is a one time cost, the extended warranty is possibly an annual cost. The warranty is for the generator. Council asked for more information about the warranty. Is it annual or not and what does it cover? Council agrees to get the high voltage surge protector at \$325.00. Valve adjustment we can wait till the time comes when we need it.

#### **Mayor's Report:**

- Letting the council know and remind them to go over duties and handbooks for employees of the city. The council will be having a closed session next meeting.

- P. Garcia has gone to Yorktown City Hall and got an employee handbook (est. 1987) to compare to what we have and will be presented at the closed session next month.
- Steer Flyers, P. Garcia did not receive a flyer and wanted to make sure they were sent out. K. Caves and M. Knight has confirmed the flyers have been sent out with the bills. Just certain accounts did not receive a letter due to business or multiple accounts.
- B. Ckudre came and addressed P. Garcia about painting and sprucing up the town.
- “Welcome to Nordheim” signs will be taken care of by the Friends of Nordheim.

**Emergency Liaison Report:** The burn ban has been extended to May 24, 2026. We need to self police for this and make sure our town understands the importance of not burning at this time.

**Water & Sewer:** R. Garcia went to his monthly Hot Wells meeting and reported that Texas is running out of water. The sewer is working ok but the grass is extremely dry.

**Fire:** Saturday alarm went off and Monday it went off. These were pager tests.

**Parks:** Nothing new, just dry.

**Streets:** Broadway and 9th potholes, 4th and 72 right in front of Mr. Johns house the trench across the road is sinking in, Broadway and 2nd potholes, 2nd and 72 the transition to the highway and us.

**Museum:** Nothing new, Last weekend of April we will have market days.

**Bills:** R. Hale motioned to approve the bills, D. Pfeifer second the motion all approved.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Lights: AEP came in after our council meeting last month and he went to talk to Mr. Wilson at the school about the lights for the area of the school. Now for the lights for 4th and Broadway, what AEP has told us is that if the pole has electricity running through the pole it wont cost us anything to have a light installed we just pay for the usage. If the pole has no electricity then the cost would be \$1100-\$3000 each.
- Mid-Coast Hurricane & Disaster Conference in Victoria, Texas on April 15-16, 2026. The cost for the general attendee is \$150 for both days. They have multiple workshops and preparation for the hurricane session. Council members suggest that the city pay for K. Caves to go.

Adjourn 7:20 P.M. (19:20)