



CITY OF ANSON

1301 Commercial Ave
Anson, Texas 79501

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Minutes

Anson City Council Meeting

The Anson City Council met on the 11th day of June 2018 at 6:00pm, at the Anson City Hall, 1301 Commercial Avenue, Anson, TX 79501. Members of the council in attendance of the meeting were as follows; Robert Patterson, Larry White, Linda Powell, Jeannie Free, and Mayor Pro-tem Evelyn Edwards. Also in attendance City Manager Sonny Campbell and City Attorney Chad Cowan.

Mayor Pro-tem Evelyn Edwards called the meeting to order at 6:02pm.

A. Call Public hearing to order.

Mayor Pro-tem Evelyn Edwards called the public hearing to order at 6:00pm

B. Discuss and take action on the May 14, 2018 Public Hearing Minutes.

After Council review, Larry White made the motion to approve the Public Hearing minutes as presented, and Linda Powell provided the second.

C. Discuss and take action on the May 14, 2018 City Council minutes.

After Council review, Linda Powell made the motion to approve the minutes as presented, and Robert Patterson provided the second. All approved.

D. Presentation from Citizens. No formal action may be taken. (Limit 5 minutes per spokesperson).

No Public Comment.

E. Discuss and take action on the sale of trust property known as; Lots One (1), Two (2) and Three (3) in Block Nineteen (19) of the Edmonds Addition of the Town of Anson, Jones County, Texas., (R13714) for the amount of \$507.00 from Jerry Wayne Macek, 1034 Jeanette Street, Abilene, TX 79602.

After council review, Jeannie Free made the motion to approve the sale of property R13714 for the amount of \$507.00 to Jerry Wayne Macek, and Robert Patterson provided the second. All approved.

F. Discuss and take action on the Anson Development Corporation`s approval of a loan/grant project for the purchase of new windows for Anson Opera House and whether it is suitable for use for entertainment, tourist, convention, and public park purposes and events, including stadiums, ball parks, auditoriums, amphitheatres, concert halls in the amount of \$13,000.00.

City Attorney Chad explained that the proposed project fell within the guidelines of an acceptable ADC project, but the resolution approving the project would require a second reading.



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After council discussion, Jeannie made the motion to accept the Anson Development Corporation's approval of a grant up to \$13,000.00 for the installation of new windows provided by Airtite Windows. Larry White provided the second. All approved.

G. Discuss and take action on repair and maintenance of the Anson Opera House.

City Manager Sonny Campbell informed the council that monies budgeted for the Museum/Opera House could be used in conjunction with the grant provided by the Anson Development Corporation. Mr. Campbell informed the council that up to \$13,000.00 of city funds were available for the installation of new windows and repairs needed to the west side interior wall of the Opera house.

Susan Throckmorton, a member of the Anson Opera House association, thanked Mr. Campbell for his assistance regarding the Opera House and informed the council that the Opera House was in desperate need of these windows and repairs, but is unable to fund this project.

After Council discussion, Jeannie Free made the motion to approve the use of up to \$13,000.00 for the purchase/installation of new windows and repairs to the Anson Opera House. Robert Patterson provided the second. All approved.

H. Discuss and take action on Resolution-061118 regarding AEP Utility Rates.

City Manager Sonny Campbell informed the council that the resolution was to join a collation of cities to ensure that cities receive the best possible utility rates.

Jeannie Free made the motion approve Resolution-061118 regarding AEP utility rates, and Linda Powell provided the second. All approved.

I. Discuss and take action on entering in a lease agreement with Officer Michael Prado for the use of Police Officer Canine unit "Taz".

Police Chief Jack Thompson informed the council that Taz has had four different handlers in the last two years and this was not advantageous to an effective canine unit, but through the diligent work of officer Prado and Taz, Taz is now recertified and Officer Prado has received the proper training. Chief Thompson provided the council with letters of recommendation from various police canine handlers regarding Taz's performance. Chief Thompson and Officer Prado feel that Taz is an excellent dog and would be a tremendous asset to the Police Department.

After council discussion, Jeannie Free made the motion that the city pay Officer Prado \$1.00 on a ten-year lease for Taz, the city would pay for food, and medical expenses. Linda Powell provided the second. All approved.



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- J. Discuss and take action on removing Keith Gilbert as a signature card holder from all City of Anson Checking and Saving accounts.**
Linda Powell made motion to remove Keith Gilbert as a signature card holder from all City of Anson Checking and Saving accounts, and Larry White provided the second. All approved.
- K. Discuss and take action on adding Evelyn Edwards as a signature card holder for all City of Anson Checking and Savings Accounts.**
Jeannie Free made the motion to add Evelyn Edwards as a signature card holder for all City of Anson Checking and Savings Accounts, and Jeannie Free provided the second. All approved.
- L. Discuss and take action on adding LeeAnn Blankenship as a signature card holder for all City of Anson Checking and Savings Accounts.**
Jeannie Free made the motion to add LeeAnn Blankenship as a signature card holder for all City of Anson Checking and Savings Accounts, and Larry White provided the second. All approved.
- M. Discuss and take action on Industrial Development Corporation of Anson, Inc. business.**
City Manager Sonny Campbell informed the council that the IDC board could be officially dissolved once the corporation's debt obligations have been fulfilled, and the details of all active grants would have to be evaluated. City Attorney Chad Cowan explained that he had of the information available, but he would have to compile this information and provide it to the council at a future city council meeting.
Jeannie Free made the motion to table this agenda item in order for City Attorney Chad Cowan to provide the council with additional information, and Larry White provided the second. All approved.
- N. Discuss and take action on the purchase of a Road equipment and supplies.**
City Manager Sonny Campbell explained the city's current chip seal equipment is inadequate, and while the city can properly prepare a road surface we cannot finish the road. With the inability to finish the road, the repairs/road preparation do not endure. City Manager Campbell expressed his support of purchasing a SP 300 Squeegee machine as he felt this would allow for the roads to sealed and remain in a superior for condition for an extended period of time. Mr. Campbell along with the council reviewed the quote for the SP 300 Squeegee machine at \$39,856.80 and \$20,000.00 for a tanker of liquid asphalt. Mr. Campbell explained that machine used 1-part liquid asphalt and 4-parts sand, this would allow for the liquid be used upon a much larger area. The council discussed the application of the product, various street finishing approaches, the longevity of the liquid asphalt, and the robustness of the product.



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After a lengthy council discussion, the council asked that a large demonstration be conducted on a street in Anson and that cities where this product has been implemented for an extended period of time; as this would allow for a more in-depth analysis. Jeannie Free made the motion to table the item for the approve mentioned reasons, and Robert Patterson provided the second.

O. Discuss and take action on the purchase of a secondary power supply for the water treatment facility.

City Manager Sonny Campbell provided the council a bid submitted by Keiser Electric for the purchase/installation of a new diesel Kohler Generator for the amount of \$77,519.25. Mr. Campbell explained that this was a complete "turn key" installation, and due to TCEQ requirements the Water Treatment Facility must install a secondary power supply. The council discussed the pros and cons of a diesel generator, financing options, and the necessity of having a secondary power supply.

Larry White made the motion to approve acquiring a secondary power supply for the Water Treatment Facility from Keiser Electric for the amount of \$77,519.25 and the City Manager Campbell seek the best financing options available. Jeannie Free provided the second. All approved.

P. Discuss and take action on property described in the Jones County Appraisal District records as ID # R10644 in Abstract 777-2, and being 5 acres, more or less, in T AND NO Survey No. 1, Jones County, Texas, in the northeast section of the City of Anson across from the Jones County Jail.

City Attorney Chad Cowan explained that in order to sell the property that a notice must be published twice in the newspaper and that he would prepare the bid packets.

The council along with City Manager Campbell discussed the previous attempts to sell this property, the area in which the property is located, and also decided that the buyer must pay all closing costs.

Robert Patterson made the motion that Mr. Cowan create bid packets, publish notice for the sale of property R10644, and the buyer must pay closing costs. Larry White provided the second. All approved.

Q. Discuss and take action on the Anson Hardware Account payable.

After council review, Robert Patterson made the motion to approve the Anson Hardware accounts payable, and Jeannie Free provided the second. All approved. (Linda Powell having signed an affidavit of conflict of interest prior to the meeting did not participate in the discussion nor the vote)



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R. Discuss and take action on the accounts payable.

After council review, Robert Patterson made the motion to approve the accounts payable, and Linda Powell provided the second. All approved.

S. Adjourn.

With no further business, Mayor Pro-tem Evelyn Edwards adjourned the meeting at 7:32pm.

Attest

Mayor