



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 18th Day of May 2020, at 6:00pm at the Anson City Hall, 1301 Commercial Avenue, Anson, TX 79501. Members of the council in attendance Robert Patterson, Larry White, Evelyn Edwards, Linda Powell, Leticia Hernandez, and Mayor Sara Alfaro. Also in attendance City Manager Sonny Campbell and City Attorney Chad Cowan.

Mayor Alfaro called the meeting to order at 6:01pm, and Robert Patterson provided the opening prayer.

- A. Presentation from Citizens. No formal action may be taken. (Limit 5 minutes per spokesperson).**
Josh Ramos, Trey Goza, and Robert Pippin spoke of their ideas concerning the Anson North Lake and how the Friends of the Anson North Lake volunteers and the city can work together.
- B. Discuss and take action on the April 27, 2020 City Council meeting minutes.**
Linda Powell made the motion to approve the April 27, 2020 City Council meeting minutes, and Larry White provided the second. All approved.
- C. Discuss and take action on an application from Steve Urich to close the Alley that runs north and south in between lots 1-5 & 6-10 in BLK 11, McGaughey Subdivision.**
Evelyn Edwards made the motion to approve the application from Steve Urich for alley closure, and Robert Patterson provided the second. All approved.
- D. Discuss and take action on passing an Order continuing a Declaration of Local State of Disaster for the City of Anson. The Council may adjourn into executive session as allowed in Texas Gov't Code § 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney).**
The Council discussed on whether or not to extend the disaster declaration and determined that no action be taken on this agenda item.
- E. Discuss and take action on the purchase of equipment to facilitate the repair of city streets.**
City Manager Sonny Campbell informed the council that a tack distributor trailer and a spreader box could be purchased for \$27,640.00.
Leticia Hernandez made the motion that Sonny purchase the equipment that would best suite the city's needs not to exceed \$27,640.00, and Robert Patterson provided the second. All approved.



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F. Discuss and take action on opening of the Anson City Pool.

The council discussed the regulations the pool would have to abide by if opened due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, and the pros and cons of opening the pool. Linda Powell made the motion to not open the pool this year. The motion died with a lack of a second. Leticia Hernandez made the motion to table the item, and Robert Patterson provided the second. The motion carried with four votes of aye and one nay.

G. Discuss and take action on appointment of interim Police Chief. (The Council may adjourn into executive session as allowed in Texas Gov't Code 551.074, Personnel Matters.)

The council adjourned into executive session at 7:41pm to deliberate personnel matters. The council reconvened into open session at 7:51pm. Evelyn Edwards made the motion to appoint Coy Sanchez as interim Police Chief, and Leticia Hernandez provided the second. All approved.

H. Police Report discuss and or take action on:

a. Police Report for the month of April

Interim Police Chief Coy Sanchez provided the council with a report of police activity for the month of April 2020.

b. Purchase of a new patrol unit.

Interim Chief Sanchez and the council discussed the purchase of a 2020 Chevrolet C150 patrol unit for \$29,579.73 and the future of the current patrol units. Larry White made the motion to approve the purchase of a 2020 Chevrolet C150 truck not to exceed \$29,579.73 from Lawrence Hall Chevrolet-Buick-GMC, and Evelyn Edwards provided the second. All approved.

I. Discuss and take action on the Anson Industrial Development Corporations, Inc. grant to fund improvements to the Anson City Parks not to exceed \$30,000.00 of improvements.

Linda Powell made the motion to approve the IDC grant to be used at the Anson City Park for installation of bathroom facilities and improvements at the Anson North Lake. Robert Patterson provided the second. All approved.



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J. Discuss and take action on the Anson Development Corporation, Inc.'s creation of a stimulus package for Businesses in the City of Anson, that have lost revenue due to COVID-19. (The council may adjourn into Executive Session as allowed in Texas Government Code 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney.)

City Attorney Chad Cowan explained what the stimulus package would provide and the requirements the applicants must meet.

Evelyn Edwards made the motion to approve the ADC's creation of a stimulus package for businesses within the City of Anson, and Leticia Hernandez provided the second. All approved. (Larry White and Linda Powell having signed an affidavit of conflict of interest did not participate in the discussion nor the vote.)

K. Discuss and take action on the Anson North Lake, including but not limited to the discussion of improvements or repairs to be made, the source of funding of such and also the creation of a committee to provide guidance on repairs or changes to be made to the North Lake. (The council may adjourn into Executive Session as allowed in Texas Government Code 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney.)

The council adjourned into executive session at 6:35pm for consultation with attorney. The council reconvened in open session at 7:17pm. Leticia Hernandez made the motion " I motion to create an advisory committee of 5 people who must be either a resident of the city or an owner of property within the city limits. This committee will make recommendations to the City Manager about improvements to the North Lake, organize volunteers for workdays, and do fund raising for the lake (if they choose). The decisions of what improvements to make and how to spend funds for the lake rests with the City Manager and the City Council." Linda Powell provided the second. All approved.

City Manager Sonny Campbell informed the council that he could rent an extended reach excavator for a week for \$4,900. This would be used to continue the work at the Anson North Lake. Robert Patter made the motion to approve the rental for \$4,900, and Linda Powell provided the second. All approved.

L. Discuss and take action on the Anson Hardware accounts payable.

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



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M. Discuss and take action on the accounts payable.

Leticia Hernandez made the motion to approve the accounts payable, and Evelyn Edwards provided the second. All approved.

N. Adjourn.

Linda Powell made the motion to adjourn at 8:28pm, and Evelyn Edwards provided the second. All approved.

Mayor