



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 27th day of March 2023 at 6:00pm at the Anson City Hall 1301 Commercial Avenue, Anson, TX 79501. Members of the council in attendance Gilbert Baladez, Linda Powell, Misti Seay, April Buchanan, and Mayor Sara Alfaro (arriving at 6:20pm.) Also in attendance City Manager Sonny Campbell, City Attorney Chad Cowan, and Police Chief Daniel Graziose.

Linda Powell called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

- A. Presentation from Citizens. No formal action may be taken. (Limit 5 minutes per spokesperson).**
None.
- B. Discuss and take action on the March 13, 2023 Public Hearing minutes.**
Misti Seay motioned to approve the Public Hearing minutes, and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.
- C. Discuss and take action on the March 13, 2023 City Council meeting minutes.**
Misti Seay motioned to approve the minutes, and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.
- D. Discuss and take action on the 2023-2024 City of Anson Budget.**
Gilbert Baladez motioned to approve the 2023 -2024 City of Anson Budget and April Buchanan seconded. Mayor Alfaro asked each member of the council to cast a vote of Aye or Nay; Gilbert Baladez-Aye, Misti Seay-Aye, Linda Powell-Aye, April Buchanan-Aye, and Robert Patterson-Absent. The council voted to approve the 2023-2024 budget with 4 votes of Aye and one absent.
- E. Discuss and take action on the Industrial Development Corporation`s approval of a grant to the Anson Girls Bluebonnet Softball facility for Home Plate Pad for the amount of \$6,957.00.**
Sonny Campbell informed the council that the IDC board had approved a grant for a home plate with batter`s box mat for the Bluebonnet Softball facility.
Misti Seay motioned to approve the IDC`s grant to the Bluebonnet Softball Facility to purchase a Home Plate with batter`s box mat for \$6,957.00, and April Buchanan seconded. All approved.
- F. Discuss and take action Resolution#032723 cancelling the 2023 City of Anson General Election.**
April Buchanan motioned to approve Resolution #032723 cancelling the 2023 general election, and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.



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- G. Presentation from Police Chief Daniel Graziose recognizing outstanding police officer performance.**
Chief Graziose introduced the newly hired officer, Eli Carrasquillo. Officer Carrasquillo introduced himself and provided his employment history. Chief Graziose recognized Officer Patrick Huston for his work in tracking down a counterfeit money operation. Madison Lovett was recognized for her efforts in organizing the evidence room. Officer James Blankenship was recognized for his tremendous work ethic and many skills. Chief Graziose read a letter of commendation regarding Animal Control Officer Dusty Schneemann's exceptional performance preventing what could have been a disastrous car chase.
- H. Discuss and take action on the Party in the Park event.**
Sonny Campbell shared that the Chamber was not planning on having the September Party in the Park Event, so he would like for the city to host in their place. Sonny explained he would like the event to be called the "City of Anson Appreciation Day-Party in the Park". Misti Seay motioned to approve moving forward with the "City of Anson Appreciation Day- Party in the Park". April Buchanan seconded. All approved.
- I. Discuss and take action on Emergency Medicals Services. (The council may adjourn into executive session as set out in Texas Gov`t Code 551.071 consultation with attorney.)**
Sonny Campbell updated the council on the city's \$110,250.00 allocated for EMS funding, potential contributions from the City of Hawley, Jones County, and the Anson General Hospital, and that a month-to-month EMS service may be possible. Chief Graziose discussed purchasing equipment and having the police department trained to provide basic EMS service if a traditional service can not be obtained.
Misti Seay motioned to enter a 1-year contract with Metro Care for EMS services at \$110,250.00. April Buchanan seconded, and all approved.
- J. Discuss and take action on approving or denying the application for a tax abatement by Fierce Eagles Choice Properties 1 LLC for the real property known as, Lot 3-4, PT of 5, Block 187, in the Buie Hanna Morrow Addition to the Town of Anson with an address of 1704 Commercial.**
Misti Seay motioned to table this agenda item, as the applicant was unable to attend. April Buchanan seconded. All approved.
- K. Discuss and take action on the accounts payable.**
April Buchanan motioned to approve the accounts payable, and Misti Seay seconded. All approved.
- L. Adjourn.**
Linda Powell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:52pm, and April Buchanan seconded. All approved.