

REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, February 10, 2014
7:00 p.m.

A Regular Meeting of the Anahuac City Council was held in the Council Chambers of Anahuac City Hall located at 501 Miller Street, Anahuac, Texas on Monday, February 10, 2014 at the above noted time.

There were present:

Miguel Anderson	Mayor Pro Tem
Amanda Hornsby-Abshier	Alderdwoman
Linda Palmer	Alderdwoman
Hall Whitley	Alderman
Richard Ferguson	City Attorney
Deck Shaver	City Administrator
Julie Harvill	City Secretary
Dan Irby	Public Works Director

Those not present:

Cheryl Sanders	Mayor
Danny Thompson	Alderman
Richard Baker	City Attorney

Guests:

Dayna Haynes	The Progress
Mary Wilkins	Citizen
Jeff Leavins	Engineering
Keith Zotzky	Engineering

Regular Meeting

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson called the regular meeting to order at 7:01p.m. Alderman Whitley led the invocation and Alderdwoman Palmer led the pledges.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 1 comments from the audience, Mayor Pro Tem Anderson asked City Secretary if anyone signed up to speak before council, City Secretary informed Mayor Pro Tem no one had signed up to speak.

Mayor Pro tem moved to item 2 discussion and possible action on citizen's agenda request:

- a. Mary Wilkins – Asking for adjust off sewer portion of bill due to a water leak. A motion to give a credit of \$53.70 was made by Alderdwoman Hornsby-Abshier. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whitley, all were in favor and the motion carried.

- b. Gary Hillyard – Mr. Hillyard was not present for the meeting, City Staff informed Mayor Pro Tem and Council that Mr. Hillyard wanted to discuss one of his church members water bill due to the bills extremely high and also to informed council that the plumber he used had informed him that when the new meters were placed in the ground the company had busted several of the citizens lines. No action was taken on this item.

Mayor Pro Tem moved to item 3 discussion and possible action on Water System Capital Improvements including Water Treatment Plant Rehabilitation, Raw Water Pond and Transmission Main, Water Distribution Main Construction, and amending the current engineering agreement with Carroll and Blackman Engineers Inc. to include the design and construction of water mains and related system improvements. A motion to change the agreement to include the engineering design for replacing the water lines and also to start the process of having the water lines on Lee Ave, Main St, and Kansas St. was made by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whitley, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 4 discussion and possible action on Bookkeeper's Report and related matters for:

- a. October 2013
- b. November 2013
- c. December 2013
- d. January 2014

A motion to approve the October 2013, November 2013, and December 2013 bookkeepers report pending the continuing corrections of areas where coding needed to be done was made by Alderwoman Palmer. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whitley, all were in favor and the motion carried. January 2014 report was not presented due to the report not being ready in time for the meeting; it will be placed on the March agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 5 discussion and possible action on agreement with Chambers County for the 2014 election. A motion to approve the agreement was made by Alderman Whitley. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 6 discussion and possible action on Order of Election for 2014. A motion to approve the Order of Election for 2014 was made by Alderman Whitley. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 7 discussion and possible action on Resolution No. 2014-02-01, Election Resolution. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Alderman Whitley. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Palmer, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 8 discussion and possible action on agreement with Chambers County Mosquito Control regarding aerial spraying in the corporate limits of Anahuac. A motion to approve the agreement was made by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whitley, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 9 discussion and possible action on Ordinance No. 2014-01-02, an ordinance adding Code Enforcement Officer in Chapter 94 streets and sidewalk of the City Ordinance Book. A motion to approve the ordinance was made by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Palmer, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 10 discussion and possible action on Ordinance No. 2014-02-01, an ordinance by the City of Anahuac, Texas ("City") denying the rate increase request of Entergy Texas, Inc. Filed on September 25, 2013; setting just and reasonable rates for Entergy Texas, Inc. for service within the municipal limits; requiring Entergy Texas, Inc. to file updated tariffs in compliance with approved rates; finding that the meeting complies with the open meeting act; making other findings and provisions related to the subject; and declaring an effective date. A motion to approve the ordinance was made by Alderman Whitley. The motion as seconded by Alderwoman Palmer, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 11 discussion and possible action on an ordinance of the City of Anahuac, Texas, adopting amendment number 1 to the original budget of the City of Anahuac, Texas, for the fiscal year 2013-2014, as adopted by Ordinance 2013-09-01; establishing the water system capital fund loan proceeds; finding that the meetings at which this ordinance is considered are open to the public; providing for severability and the repeal of conflicting ordinances; and providing other details relating to the passage of this ordinance. A motion to approve the ordinance was made by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whitley, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 12 discussion and possible action on closing our water meter project. City Administrator Shaver, Public Works Director Irby, and City Secretary Harvill informed council that we were still having problems with the meters, we still have meters that are running backwards, meters that have the wrong k factors on them. A motion to not make final payment until everything is working properly was made by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Palmer, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 13 discussion and possible action on options for acquisition of an excavator. Council requested Public Works Director to bring back more information regarding purchasing or lease to purchase option for the March 2014 meeting. No action was taken on this item.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 14 discussion and possible action on accounts payable. A motion to approve accounts payable except for the payment to Republic Meters was made by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Palmer, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 15 discussion and possible action on approval of minutes from January 13, 2014. A motion to approve the minutes with the correction of changing City Attorney Richard Ferguson to being here instead of not here was made by Alderwoman Palmer. The motion was seconded by Alderman Whitley, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem moved to item 16 discussion and possible action on adding City Administrator Deck Shaver to the bank accounts, signature cards, online access, and transfer rights. A motion to have Mr. Shaver to all of the above was made by Alderman Whitley. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Hornsby-Abshier, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 17 discussion and possible action on department reports. City Administrator Shaver gave council an update on Citizen Alissa Swonke's concern regarding dogs running at large from the January 2014 meeting. Mr. Shaver informed council that the next day Code Enforcement Official Kerry Mobley picked up 5 dogs and that a response to her concerns was being sent to her. No action was taken on this item, information purposes only.

With no further business needed to be brought before council, Mayor Pro Tem Anderson moved to item 18 and asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Whitley. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Palmer, all were in favor and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

**Cheryl Sanders, Mayor
City of Anahuac**

**Julie Harvill, City Secretary
City of Anahuac**