

REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 11, 2015
6:30 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, May 11, 2015 at the above noted time.

There were present:

Cheryl Sanders	Mayor
Danny Thompson	Mayor Pro Tem
Miguel Anderson	Alderman
Janice Jircik	Alderwoman
Richard Baker	City Attorney
Ken Bays	City Administrator
Julie Harvill	City Secretary
Robin Deville	Maintenance & Repair Foreman

Those not present:

Richard Ferguson	City Attorney
Amanda Hornsby-Abshier	Alderwoman
Hall Whitley	Alderman

Guests:

Dayna Haynes	The Progress
Toby Davis	Engineer Consultant, Carroll & Blackman
Kristie Hadnot	Public Management
Robbie King	Anahuac Area Chamber of Commerce
Dave Wilcox	Wilcox Drug Store
Jimmy Sylvia	County Judge
Larry George	Commissioner Precinct 2
James Hopper	Superintendent AISD
Cerida Rivon	Citizen
Georgia Tarver	Citizen
Bubba Lancon	Anahuac Area Chamber of Commerce
Heather Hawthorne	Chambers County Clerk
Frederick Carvin	

Regular Meeting

Mayor Sanders called the regular meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. Alderman Anderson led the invocation and Alderwoman Jircik led the pledges.

Mayor Sanders briefly informed everyone that tonight's meeting was not a town hall meeting with Q & A, that it was a regular scheduled Council meeting that had been posted according to law last week.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 1 comments from the audience, two people signed up to speak. The first person to speak was County Judge Jimmy Sylvia. Judge Sylvia first stated he wanted to make it known that there was no intentions on moving the court house out of Anahuac. He stated he preferred to have his jail close to the courthouse due to the inmates having to come to court and if the courthouse/jail was moved he would have to bus the inmates to and from and would mean more positions and more money for the County. Judge Sylvia stated that a committee was developed in December of 2013 to look at the options for development of new County buildings. The committee members are as follows: Mark Huddleston, Brain Hawthorne, Tim Sims, Bobby Hall, Heather Hawthorne, Rusty Seneca, Sarah Cerrone. Judge Sylvia also informed Council that on January 13, 2015 a resolution was passed and that on the May 24th meeting agenda he would suggest that two citizen's be added to the committee. His recommendations would be to add Carroll Wilborn and said he would recommend the Mayor or anyone else the Council wanted to recommend. The Mayor stated she would like to be a member of the committee therefore he will submit her name.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 4 discussion and possible action on awarding Contract A and Contract B to the successful bidders. A motion approving Contract A and Contract B contingent of the commercial development permits from the County made by Alderwoman Jircik. The motion was seconded by Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 5 report on the City's Infrastructure:

Kristie Hadnot presented a list of improvements the City has done and/or working on doing. She stated that the City had completed the Drainage Project which cost the City about \$5 million dollars, the replacement of some water lines which cost the City about \$10 million dollars, bids accepted for the water treatment plant and raw water pond, and she stated 2 more grants have been submitted. Information only, no action taken on this item.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 6 consideration and possible action on authorizing letter to State Legislator opposing House Bill 1688 and Senate Bill 643. A motion approving the letter to be sent was made by Mayor Pro Tem Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried.

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

- a. **Keitha Cooper** – Update on manufactured home located at 902 Oak. A motion to do what the City Ordinance and enforce the City's Ordinance was made by Alderwoman Jircik. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Thompson, Alderman Whitley was in favor, Alderman Anderson was not in favor. The motion carried with 3 yays and 1 nay.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 3 consent agenda items: Bookkeeper's Report for April 2015, Accounts Payable, Minutes from March 23, 2015 and minutes from April 13, 2015 meetings, Ordinance No. 2015-04-03, amendment to Ordinance No. 2015-04-02, relating to Floodplain Damage Regulations. A motion to approve all consent agenda items was made by Mayor Pro Tem Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 7 discussion and possible action choosing a date for a special meeting to swear in new Council members and appointing a new Mayor Pro Tem. A motion was made by Alderwoman Jircik to have the meeting on May 18, 2015 at 11:30. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Thompson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 8 discussion and possible action on department reports. No action was taken on this item.

With no further business needed to be brought before Council, Mayor Sanders moved to item 9 and asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tem Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

**Cheryl Sanders, Mayor
City of Anahuac**

**Julie Harvill, City Secretary
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