

REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 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, August 10, 2015 at the above noted time.

There were present:

Cheryl Sanders	Mayor
Janice Jircik	Mayor Pro Tem
Danny Thompson	Alderman
Miguel Anderson	Alderman
Deidre Crews	Alderwoman
Hall Whitley	Alderman
Richard Ferguson	City Attorney
Richard Baker	City Attorney
Ken Bays	City Administrator
Julie Harvill	City Secretary

Those not present:

Amanda Hornsby-Abshier	Alderwoman
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Guests:

Dayna Haynes	The Progress
Raymond Franks	Waste Management
Linda Tarver	Citizen
Deidre Crews	Citizen
Chris Jircik	Citizen

Regular Meeting

Mayor Sanders called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Alderman Thompson led the invocation and Alderman Anderson led the pledges.

Mayor Sanders informed Council Members, and Citizens that Item 3, Item 15, and Item 16 were being pulled from the agenda.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 1 comments from the audience, no one signed up to speak.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 2 consideration and possible action to appoint Council Member to fill unexpired term of Hall Whitley. A motion to appoint Charlie Henry was made by Alderwoman Crews. The motion as seconded by Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Henry took Oath, took his seat and joined the meeting.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 3 present Proclamation to Mrs. United States 2015 Katie Garza. Mayor Sanders pulled this item from the agenda.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 4 citizen agenda request:

- a. **Stephanie Welch** – Citizen requested her item be pulled and placed on the September 14, 2015 meeting.
- b. **Donald Drier** – Requesting an adjustment to his sewer portion of his bill due to a water leak. If approved the credit would be for \$9.70. A motion to approve the credit was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried.
- c. **Linda Haskins** – Questions regarding moving manufactured home into a lot on Work. Council requested Ms. Haskins meet with or get in contact with Mr. Bays to provide the City with a site plan of what she wants done at the location. Mr. Bays informed Ms. Haskins he would call her and set up a time for her to come to City Hall and he would assist her with the site plan.
- d. **Kevin DeFusto**- Requesting credit for sewage due to filling of a pool; also wants to know why sewage is charged with a pool is filled and the water is never dumped into the sewer system. A motion to deny the credit was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 5 consideration and possible action on Gator Fest Activities. Council reviewed the traffic plan and Deputy Gilbert Phillips stated they would not have deputy at the four way stop at 563 unless traffic started backing up. A motion was made by Alderman Thompson to approve the traffic plant for Gator Fest. The motion was seconded by Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 6 consideration and possible action regarding the school shooting off fireworks at school functions. Vance Tarter's son was present at the meeting and Council informed him that during the Burn Ban no fireworks would be allowed to shot off. Council also requested that the fire department be contacted to be at the site on standby and also requested a copy of insurance for shooting off the fireworks. A motion to allow the fireworks to be shot at the School football games pending contacting the fire department and receiving copy of insurance was made by Mayor Pro Tem Jircik. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Crews, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 7 consideration and possible action on D'Oliver Transportation. Demetria Halley with D' Oliver Transportation spoke to Council and informed them about the service they could provide to the citizens.

Council requested that Ms. Halley submit more information and a copy of their brochure to City Secretary Harvill. No action was taken on this item.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 8 consideration and possible action on City Water Plant Project, City Sewer Projects, and related engineering matters, including but not limited to the following:

- a. Pay Request # 1 for Contract B in the amount of \$39,330.00.

A motion to approve Pay Request # 1 for Contract B in the amount of \$39,330.00 was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Jircik, all were in favor and the motion carried. Council Members and Mayor will meet at the water plant on August 21st at 9:00 a.m. for a picture for The Progress.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 9 consent agenda items: Bookkeeper's Report for July 2015, Accounts Payable, Minutes from July 13, 2015 meeting. A motion to approve all consent agenda items was made by Mayor Pro Tem Jircik. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Crews, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 10 consideration and possible action to approve agreement with Utility Specialties for Part-time assistance with Water and Wastewater Plant. A motion to approve the agreement with Utility Specialties was made by Mayor Pro Tem Jircik. The motion was seconded by Alderman Thompson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 11 consideration and possible action to approve contract for building inspection with Bureau Veritas. A motion to approve the contract pending attorney approval was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 12 consideration and possible action on repairing or purchasing pumps for the Lift Stations and blower for the sewer plant. A motion to approve the purchase of two pumps in the amount of \$6,521.00 each was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Crews, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 13 consideration and possible on the following:

- a. Revising the budget calendar
- b. Raising taxes
- c. Sitting dates for public hearings, and sitting the effective tax for 2015-2016.

A motion approving the revised budget calendar, a \$.02 tax increase, was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried. A motion sitting the public hearing dates of August 24th, and August 31st of 2015 was made by Alderman Anderson. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Crews, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders move to item 14 consideration and possible action on the following:

- a. Removing Hall Whitley from all bank accounts and signature cards
- b. Adding Janice Jircik to all bank accounts and signature cards

A motion approving both was made was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 15 consideration and possible action to accept resignation of Municipal Development District Board Member Dayna Haynes. Mayor Sanders pulled this item from the agenda.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 16 consideration and possible action to appoint and re-appoint members to the Municipal Development Board.

- a. Re-appoint – Danny Thompson and Janice Jircik to new two year terms effective August 1, 2015
- b. Appoint – Deidre Crews for a two year term effective August 10, 2015 and Cheryl Sanders to a two year term effective August 1, 2015.

Mayor Sanders pulled this item from the agenda.

Mayor Sanders moved to item 17 consideration and possible action on department reports.

Mayor Sanders informed Council that she and Mr. Bays had met with State Representative Wayne Faircloth and he stated he would try to help find assistance for the City. City Secretary Harvill informed Council that the gentleman with RG3 Meters had come out and met with employees and trained them on using the computer and installing meters and helped with correcting some of the issues. Information purposes only no action taken.

With no further business needed to be brought before Council, Mayor Sanders moved to item 18 and asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Thompson. The motion was seconded by Alderman Anderson, all were in favor and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

**Cheryl Sanders, Mayor
City of Anahuac**

**Julie Harvill, City Secretary
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