



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 28th day of April 2025, at 6:00pm at the Anson City Hall, 1301 Commercial Avenue, Anson, TX 79501. Members of the council in attendance Robert Patterson, Linda Powell, Gilbert Baladez, Misti Seay, and Mayor Richard Abila. Also in attendance Cody Burleson, City Secretary LeeAnn Blankenship, Police Chief Daniel Graziose, City Attorney Chad Cowan, and City Manager Sonny Campbell. Mayor Richard Abila called the meeting to order at 6:00pm and Robert Patterson provided the opening prayer.

- A. Presentation from Citizens. No formal action may be taken. (Limit 5 minutes per spokesperson).**
None.
- B. Discuss and take action on the April 14, 2025, City Council meeting minutes.**
Misti Seay motioned to approve the minutes. Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.
- C. Discuss and take action on a RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2025 AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO**
D'Anne Carson, representing Government Capital, explained the loan was for \$850,000, on a 15-year note, and the exact interest rate will be determined. Ms. Carson explained funds can be expended for roads, water treatment, sewer, water lines, downtown improvements, and various infrastructure projects. City Manager Sonny Campbell explained that after the various projects are completed any remaining funds can be used to pay off debt. Linda Powell motioned to authorize publication of notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation, series 2025 and authorize certain other matters relating thereto for the amount of \$850,000 on a 15-year term. Robert Patterson seconded. Mayor Abila asked each member of the council to cast a vote of Aye or Nay: Linda Powell-Aye, Robert Patterson-Aye, Misti Seay-Aye, Gilbert Baladez-Aye, and April Buchanan-Absent. The motion carried with 4 votes of Aye and 1 Absent.
- D. Presentation of the Q1 Quarterly Financial Report.**
City Secretary LeeAnn Seay presented the Q1 Quarterly Investment Report.
- E. Discuss and take action on a quote to repair damage to the Anson Opera House Roof.**
City Manager Sonny Campbell presented the council with an estimate from Clear Fork Roofing to repair/replace the shingle roof of the Opera House and to replace the Anson City Hall Roof. Mr. Campbell explained that he would like to have a copper-colored metal roof installed as it would increase the longevity of the roof and be aesthetically pleasing. The total cost of the Opera House new roof is \$61,364.00, of which the city's insurance policy will cover \$37,134.00 leaving \$24,230.00 that the city must provide. The cost to replace City Hall is \$42,132.00, which will be paid by the city's TML insurance policy. Linda Powell motioned to approve the estimate from Clear Fork Roofing Company to



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replace the Anson Opera House roof for \$61,364.00 and the Anson City Hall roof for \$42,132.00. Robert Patterson seconded. All approved.

F. Discuss and take action on Ordinance #958 amending the Zoning Ordinance as it applies to Recreational Vehicles. (Second Reading)

City Attorney Chad Cowan informed the council that the ordinance was not fully prepared and asked the council to continue to review the ordinance. City Manager Sonny Campbell requested that the agenda item be tabled. Tabled.

G. Discuss and take action on Ordinance #959 regulating the Anson City Park, including hours of operation and lighting at the park. (Second Reading)

City Manager Sonny Campbell informed the council that he had a meeting with an AEP field engineer and they will replace, repair, and upgrade the lighting in the park areas. The council discussed rules and regulations at City Parks. -Tabled.

H. Discuss and take action on Ordinance #960 Declaring the MTC Bluebonnet Detention Center Critical Infrastructure. (First Reading)

Police Chief Daniel Graziose explained that he was informed of a public demonstration that was planned to be held at or near the MTC Bluebonnet Detention Center on May 5, 2025. Chief Graziose explained the facility has gained national attention and the demonstration could range from 5-500 people. Chief Graziose presented the council with what he believes is evidence to designate the facility as critical infrastructure and a basic plan on how to ensure that the demonstration remains peaceful and orderly. City Attorney Chad Cowan explained that he would need more time to research the legality of the complex situation regarding public demonstration and the area of the MTC Bluebonnet Detention Center. First Reading no action taken.

I. Discuss and take action on the accounts payable.

Misti Seay motioned to approve the accounts payable and Gilbert Baladez seconded. All approved.

J. Adjourn.

Linda Powell motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:43pm and Misti Seay seconded. All approved.