

**HONORABLE MAYOR**

Anthony David Turner, MPH

**MAYOR PRO TEM**

Louie Alfaro, Place #4

**COUNCIL**

Alicia Stevens, Place #1

Shawn Weeks, Place #2

Todd Wolford, Place #3

Eduardo Chavez, Place #5



**MINUTES**

**Town of Anthony, Texas**

September 9, 2024  
REGULAR MEETING  
at 5:30 p.m.

Anthony Town Hall,  
401 Wildcat Drive  
Anthony, Texas 79821

Notice is hereby given of a regular meeting of the Town of Anthony Council, to be held on Monday, September 9, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., Town Hall, 401 Wildcat Drive, Anthony, Texas 79821, for the purpose of considering the following agenda items. All agenda items are subject to action. The Town of Anthony Council reserves the right to meet in a closed session for consultation with the Town Attorney on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL- Mayor Turner called meeting to order at 5:36pm.**

**Mayor Turner, Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro, Councilwoman Stevens, Councilman Weeks, Councilman Wolford, and Councilman Chavez were present.**

**2.0 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- Mayor Turner led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**3.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS AND RECEIPT OF PETITIONS:** *[At this time, anyone will be allowed to speak on any matter other than personnel matters or matters under litigation, for length of time not to exceed two minutes. No Council discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with law – GC, 551.042.]*

**No one signed up for public speaking.**

**4.0 Approve the Minutes of the following Town of Anthony Council Meetings:**

- 08-26-2024 Regular Town Council Meeting
- 08-27-2024 Special Town Council Meeting
- 09-03-2024 Special Town Council Meeting

- 09-05-2024 Special Town Council Meeting  
**Councilwoman Stevens motioned to approve 8/26/24 Regular Town Council Meeting, 8/27/24, 09/03/24, and 09/05/24 Special Town Council Meetings, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro. Motion passed 5-0.**

## **5.0 New Business:**

### **5.1 Presentation on Retirement of Judge, Ida Gardner**

**Chief Enriquez honored the retirement of Judge Ida Gardner and presented a plaque.**

### **5.2 Swearing in of Anthony Municipal Court Judge, Eunice Reyes**

**Judge Eunice Reyes was sworn in as the Anthony Municipal Court Judge.**

### **5.3 First Reading of an Ordinance** of the Town of Anthony, Texas enacting the municipal budget for fiscal year 2024-2025; adopting schedule of fees for city services; city funding municipal purposes; authorizing expenditures; and providing for repealer, and severability clauses

**No action taken.**

### **5.4 First Reading of an Ordinance** of the city council of the Town of Anthony, Texas, approving the 2025 ad valorem tax rate and levy of assessed valuation of all taxable property within the corporate limits of the city; providing for penalties and interest; and providing for the following: findings of fact; severability; savings clause; publication and effective date.

**No action taken.**

### **5.5 Public Hearing on an Ordinance** of the Town of Anthony, Texas enacting the municipal budget for fiscal year 2024-2025; adopting schedule of fees for city services; city funding municipal purposes; authorizing expenditures; and providing for repealer, and severability clauses

**No public hearing.**

### **5.6 Public hearing** on the proposed tax levy to adopt the Voter- Approval Rate \$0.820510 for tax year 2025.

**No public hearing.**

### **5.7 Discussion and action** on the Town's contribution towards the El Paso Area Transportation Services, LGC regarding the bus routes for fiscal year 2025.

**Annete Gutierrez and Xavier Banales with the Rio Grande Government gave a presentation of the town's current agreement with EPATS for FY 2024. The town contributed \$24,100 to ensure the bus routes through the Town would remain in service with EPATS taking over. The contribution for FY 2025 is anticipated to increase to \$30,100. Annete Gutierrez and Xavier Banales gave a presentation on the justification for increasing the fees and how the Town's contribution will be spent. Councilman Weeks motioned to approve, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro. Motion passed 5-0.**

**5.8 Presentation on flock safety for the Town of Anthony, Texas**

**David and Hector gave a presentation on Flock Safety regarding services and equipment for the Town of Anthony. Chief Enriquez mentioned he applied for a grant by the appropriations act that falls in line to the services equipment provided by Flock Safety.**

**5.9 Discussion and action on hiring Oscar Gallegos as a police officer for the Anthony Police Department**

**Chief Enriquez asked Council to allow him to hire Oscar Gallegos as a police officer. Chief Enriquez mentioned he could not continue with the hiring of Mr. Flores and is asking the council to allow him to replace Flores with Gallegos. Councilman Chavez motioned to approve, seconded by Councilman Weeks. Motion passed 5-0.**

**6.0 Reports**

**6.1 Public Works Department- Mark with Parkhill, gave a thorough report on the water and sewer plants.**

**6.2 Finance Department- Nothing to report.**

**6.3 Anthony Police and Municipal Court Department- The Chief gave a thorough report from the Anthony Police and the Municipal Court Department.**

**6.4 Administration Department- Mayor Turner stated that the Blood Drive was a success, gave Farmer's Market updates, mentioned an upcoming clean up event to revamp the Baseball field at the Ernie Rascon Park. Asked council to come up with ideas for repairs upgrades and expansion for the water and waste water and streets.**

The next Regular Town Council meeting is scheduled at 5:30 PM on Monday, September 23, 2024.

ADJOURN MEETING – Councilman Chavez motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:40pm, seconded by Councilman Weeks. Motion passed 5-0.

MINUTES PASSED AND APPROVED ON SEPTEMBER 23,2024.



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SUBMITTED BY: TOWN CLERK  
VALERIE M. ARMENDARIZ, MPA

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APPROVED BY HONORABLE MAYOR  
ANTHONY DAVID TURNER, MPH