

**HONORABLE MAYOR**

Anthony David Turner, MPH

**MAYOR PRO TEM**

Louie Alfaro, Place #4

**COUNCIL**

Alicia Stevens, Place #1

Shawn Weeks, Place #2

Soledad Flores, Place #3

Eduardo Chavez, Place #5



**MINUTES**

**Town of Anthony, Texas**

Monday, December 11, 2023  
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, December 11, 2023 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 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- Mayor called meeting to order at 5:34pm.**

**2.0 QUORUM**

**Councilwoman Stevens- Present**

**Councilman Weeks- Present**

**Mayor Turner- Present**

**Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro- Present**

**Councilwoman Flores- Present**

**Councilman Chavez- Absent**

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

**4.0 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.**

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

- 11-27-2023 Regular Town Council Meeting

**Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro motioned to approve 11-27-2023 regular town council meeting minutes, seconded by Councilwoman Flores. Motion passed 4-0.**

**6.0 New Business:**

6.1 Discussion, consideration, and action on sick leave policy for the Town of Anthony, Texas  
**Councilman Weeks motions to postpone item, seconded by Councilwoman Flores. Motion passed 4-0.**

6.2 Discussion on contracting 1887 Venture for Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies services  
**Mayor Turner suggests to postpone item. Councilwoman Flores motioned to postpone item, seconded by Councilwoman Stevens. Motion passed 4-0.**

6.3 Discussion, consideration and action on the Town of Anthony Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) vacancy through the Rio Grande Council of Governments (RGCG)  
**Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro motioned to move up item to 6.1, seconded by Councilman Weeks. Motion passed 4-0.**

**Melissa with the Rio Grande Council of Government wanted to advise the council that there is a vacancy for the Town of Anthony Waste Advisory Committee. She advised that it needs to get filled to send membership to TCEQ. Chief Enriquez asked if it must be a councilmember or can it be an employee. Melissa stated that it can be a department head, staff or an elected official. Councilwoman Stevens motioned to nominate Isael Martinez, the Public Works Superintendent as the Town of Anthony Waste Advisory Committee member, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro. Motion passed 4-0.**

6.4 Discussion, consideration and action on resolution designating meeting dates of the town council for the 2024 calendar year

**The Town Clerk presented a resolution draft for regular town council meetings for year 2024. Councilman Weeks suggest moving October 14th meeting to October 15 reason being a national holiday- Columbus Day. Councilman Weeks suggest moving December 23 to another day possibly November 3. Town Clerk suggest moving to December 16. Councilwoman Flores motioned to approve, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro. Motion passed 4-0. Roll Call is needed for resolution.**

**Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro- Yes**

Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro motioned to approve on hiring Daniel Martinez at \$22.00 an hour and Diana Gonzalez at \$22.00, seconded by Councilwoman Stevens. Motion passed 4-0.

The next Regular Town Council meeting is scheduled at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, December 26, 2023.

- I. ADJOURN MEETING – Councilman Weeks motioned to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Alfaro. Motion passed 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:13pm.

MINUTES PASSED AND APPROVED ON JANUARY 8, 2024.



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APPROVED BY: MAYOR  
ANTHONY DAVID TURNER, MPH

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SUBMITTED BY: TOWN CLERK  
VALERIE M. ARMENDARIZ, MPA

**Councilwoman Stevens- Yes**

**Councilman Chavez- Absent**

**Councilwoman Flores- Yes**

**Councilman Weeks- Yes**

## **7.0 Reports**

7.1 Finance- **Councilman Weeks mentions the accounting manager is currently working on the audit for FY 2021-2022. Currently in the process of implementing FundView.**

7.2 Streets- **Councilman Chavez nothing to report.**

7.3 Parks- **Councilwoman Flores mentions parks are looking great.**

7.4 Water & Sewer- **Councilwoman Stevens nothing to report.**

7.5 Administration – **Mayor Turner mentioned the Christmas Parade was a success. Thanked the local businesses that provided free drinks and sweets at the tree lighting show. Mayor Turner advises residents to download the new app provided to citizens to get up-to dates notifications happening in town.**

**8.0 The Town Council will go into a closed executive session pursuant to Section 551.074 (personnel matters) of the Texas Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or charge against an officer or employee; the open meeting will be reconvened following the closed session at which time action, if any, will be considered.**

**The Town Council went into closed session at 5:57pm.**

8.1 Town Council will go into closed session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, and duties on hiring two Police Officers for the Anthony Police Department

**Reconvene into open session and take any action if necessary:**

**Reconvene into open session at 6:11pm.**

8.1 Take action based on discussions held in closed session under Executive Session Agenda Item 8.1