

CITY OF ANGLETON SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES 120 S. CHENANGO STREET, ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515 TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTS THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE ANGLETON CITY COUNCIL IN THE ORDER THEY OCCURRED DURING THE MEETING. THE CITY COUNCIL OF ANGLETON, TEXAS CONVENED IN A MEETING ON TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2024, AT 6:00 P.M., AT THE CITY OF ANGLETON COUNCIL CHAMBERS LOCATED AT 120 S. CHENANGO STREET ANGLETON, TEXAS 77515.

DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Mayor Wright called the Council Meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT

Mayor John Wright
Mayor Pro-Tem Travis Townsend
Council Member Cecil Booth
Council Member Terry Roberts
Council Member Tanner Sartin
Council Member Christiene Daniel

City Manager Chris Whittaker City Secretary Michelle Perez City Attorney Judith El Masri

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Daniel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Council Member Booth led the invocation.

CITIZENS WISHING TO ADDRESS CITY COUNCIL

There were no speakers.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discussion and possible action to extend the Disaster Declaration to July 20, 2024.

Upon a motion by Council Member Booth and seconded by Council Member Roberts, Council approved consent agenda item 1. Discussion and possible action to extend the Disaster Declaration to July 20, 2024. The motion was passed on a 6-0 vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

2. Update, discussion and possible action on the aftermath of Hurricane Beryl from Jamie Praslicka, Emergency Management Coordinator.

Jamie Praslicka, Emergency Management Coordinator, presented the agenda item and provided updates of the aftermath of Hurricane Beryl. She stated that Texas New Mexico Power had 29 line crews working within the city, 1,674 residents were without power with 85% being restored. The shelter currently has 53 residents and is set to close on Friday. Ms. Praslicka stated that in a matter of two days 404 debris loads had been picked up. There is a citizen drop off for debris at Bates Park in which is picked up throughout the day. Chipping of debris is located at Welch Park, and they hope to utilize it for burning that Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has already approved. Ms. Praslicka stated that she has requested a disaster recovery group from the State and County for residents to have access to Federal Emergency Management Administration (FEMA) insurance and other resources.

Colleen Martin, Director of Human Resources, addressed council and gave an estimated list of damage costs. A buy down deductible insurance was purchased which will lower deductibles. The chart provided to council listed locations that were covered by windstorm insurance. The second chart that was provided listed locations that are not covered by windstorm insurance. Windstorm insurance was purchased on city facilities and included pump machinery at Sebesta Road. Henderson and Anderson Road are not covered by windstorm, but the lift stations are covered. Ms. Martin stated that a windstorm adjuster came out to look at locations and would be back to look at additional properties.

Hector Renteria, Assistant Director of Public Works, addressed council and stated that all of the water facilities are operating normally. Lift stations 23, 7, 11. are still without power but do have portable generators to continue operating. The department was working on cleaning out ditches and compiling a list of easements or rights-of-way that do not have power lines in. The list will be handed over to debris management to help take care of it. The water was clearing up from the reservoirs and is perfectly safe to drink. He stated that it has been treated to TCEQ standards. During the storm the rainfall gauges around town had an average of 6.75 inches. As of now the department is working on clearing ditches but will soon need to transition and work on sewer repairs and/or water breaks that have not yet been repaired.

Megan Mainer, Parks and Recreation Director, stated Crowder would be working on debris cleanup at Bates and Dickey Park. Staff was working back to schedule and doing assessments on downtown streetlights. At the recreation center the revenue loss since last year was about \$18,000 dollars in daily revenue. In rentals there was a loss of about \$425 and \$635 in recreation program losses because of cancellations that could not get pushed back. The track program had refunds issued to all participants. Summer camp and swim lessons were pushed back as well but will commence once reopened. Ms. Mainer stated that staff would be gearing up for reopening once the red cross moves out. On Friday the facility would be cleaned up and will open for operation on Saturday. The Freedom Park Concession stand roof was secured so that no more damage incurred due to the upcoming rain. She stated that there had been discussions to potentially

replace the scoreboards at both complexes, but she believes the warranty is out. The solar lights at B.G. Peck and Freedom did not sustain any damage.

Otis Spriggs, Director of Development Services, stated that the permit services being extended for emergency repairs were proceeding greatly. Texas New Mexico Power will be waving some of the emergency inspections in some instances and the roof repairs would be accommodated later on as well due to involvement with the insurance companies. Mr. Spriggs stated that Code Enforcement had collected photos of the damages on the commercial side signage and will be provided in future reports possibly at the beginning of the month.

Lupe Valdez, Chief of Police, stated calls of service for EMS, Fire and Police Department were up. There were 2 fatalities related to heat not due to the storm.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Wright stated that he understood people were upset with the power outages during the storm but appreciated that the city was ready to respond in order to get back up and running. The water never went down, and the debris is now being picked up, that says a lot about what we did as a city. We did a good job. To the staff that worked the storm, you all were incredible so thank you. To the council, thank you for the emergency meeting. Everyone was there and ready to give leadership and to keep us going.

Council Member Sartin stated that he's been attributed to compliments about how the city handled the storm. He stated that the response has been great. Great job.

City Manager Whitaker stated that some of the toughest jobs were in the call center.

Mayor Wright stated that he received a compliment and wanted it noted by everybody. Mayor Wright stated that a State of Texas Emergency Assistance Registry (Stear) resident told him that Sarah did an outstanding job and checked on this particular resident every day while in the shelter.

Mayor Pro-Tem Townsend thanked the front-line workers for all their hard work. He stated that there were a lot of people who weren't city employees who volunteered their time. He stated that it is important that we recognize the groups and individuals who worked diligently and has given so much of their own time. It's part of what makes a small city great. It's the people in the community willing to work and support their neighbors. Thank you to those who helped.

Council Member Roberts would also like to thank the city. He stated that everyone did a fantastic job and was well organized in lining out everything. He appreciated all the long hours that was put in. Council Member Roberts stated that Angleton is a great place to live, and it was great to see a lot of people coming out to help each other.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council held an executive at session at 6:47 P.M. pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained therein:

- 3. Discussion and possible action to deliberate Economic Development pursuant to Section 551.087 of the Government Code; findings of Consultant and Commercial Properties.
- 4. Discussion and possible action to Deliberate on the possible purchase of real property pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; Evaluate possible future alignment of an East West collector road.

OPEN SESSION

The City Council adjourned Executive Session at 7:42 P.M. and reconvened into Open Session pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551 Texas Government Code and take action, if any, on item(s) discussed during Closed Executive Session.

3. Discussion and possible action to deliberate Economic Development pursuant to Section 551.087 of the Government Code; findings of Consultant and Commercial Properties.

No action was taken.

4. Discussion and possible action to Deliberate on the possible purchase of real property pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; Evaluate possible future alignment of an East West collector road.

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 P.M.

These minutes were approved by Angleton City Council on this the 22nd day of October, 2024.

	CITY OF ANGLETON, TEXAS
	John Wright Mayor
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Michelle Perez, TRMC City Secretary	