



City Commission Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 05, 2023 at 6:00 PM
Commission Chambers, 124 S Bluff, Anthony, KS 67003

MINUTES

OPENING

- Welcome / Call to Order
- Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Gregory Cleveland
Commissioner Sherrie Eaton
Commissioner Howard Hatfield
Commissioner Jan Lanie
Commissioner Eric Smith

City Administrator Cyndra Kastens, Deputy City Clerk Sherri Miller, Superintendent Randy Moore, Police Chief Kenny Hodson, Sue Moyer, and Tree Board Member Bill Moyer.

ABSENT

None

- Approval of Agenda

A motion was made to approve the agenda.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland, Seconded by Commissioner Lanie.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cleveland, Commissioner Eaton, Commissioner Hatfield, Commissioner Lanie, and Commissioner Smith.

PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve November 21, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Special Appropriations:

Fund #71 ARPA - HCCF \$4,569.75 City of Anthony Match BASE Grant

Fund #34 Capital Streets - HCCF \$180,876.45 City of Anthony Match BASE Grant

Fund #34 Capital Streets - National Sign Company - \$559.28 (Overage on sign purchase, needed 20 additional signs from the original order number)

Fund #34 Capital Airport - Rinke Construction - \$13,175.00 AWOS Dirt Work

Fund #34 Capital Airport - EBH Engineering - \$1,000 AWOS Design / \$3,701.40 AWOS Const. Insp.

3. Appropriation Ordinance No 3179 \$324,915.65
4. Approve 12.05.2023 Payroll \$58,915.55
5. Approve Christmas Bonus Payroll \$3,350.96
6. Resolution No. 1138 - Local Participation in Rural Opportunity Zone Match

RESOLUTION NO. 1138

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION FOR THE CITY OF ANTHONY, KANSAS AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN RURAL OPPORTUNITY ZONE STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM CALENDAR YEAR 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF ANTHONY, KANSAS, IN THE COUNTY OF HARPER:

Section 1. Pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223, the City Commission expresses its intent to participate in the Rural Opportunity Zone (ROZ) student loan repayment program.

Section 2. Harper County has been designated a Rural Opportunity Zone pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,222.

Section 3. The City of Anthony Commission hereby obligate the City of Anthony to participate in the ROZ student loan repayment program as provided by K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223 for a period of five years, which shall be irrevocable.

Section 4. The City of Anthony agrees to pay in equal shares with the State of Kansas the outstanding student loan balance of any individual domiciled within the incorporated and unincorporated areas of the City of Anthony for a period of five years, if the domiciled individual meets the terms of qualification provided by the State of Kansas in K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 74-50,223, and the appropriate rules and regulations. The number of qualified resident individuals receiving such payments will be subject to the availability of funds.

Section 5. The maximum student loan balance for each qualified resident individual to be repaid jointly The City of Anthony and the State of Kansas shall be \$15,000 over a term of five years.

Section 6. The City of Anthony shall allocate \$ 7,500.00 a calendar year for the purpose of matching payments from the State of Kansas to qualified resident individuals. The City of Anthony shall revise its

ROZ budget on an annual basis submitting a new Resolution to the State of Kansas by January 30th each year. The City of Anthony shall submit their obligation in full to the Department of Commerce before the first day of September each year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be published once in the official city newspaper and shall be in effect from and after its date of publication.

Adopted this 5th day of December 2023 by the City Commission of Anthony, in Harper County, Ks.

7. Approve Increase of \$300 for Fire Department Christmas Party from \$1,000 to \$1,300
8. Sunrise 2nd BASE Grant - Mies Construction Pay Estimate #4 - \$228,494.16
9. Approve November 2023 Court Report

Mayor Cleveland asked if any items should be removed from the consent agenda for further review. Hearing none, a motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland. Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cleveland, Commissioner Eaton, Commissioner Hatfield, Commissioner Lanie, and Commissioner Smith.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

REGULAR BUSINESS

10. **Gregory Cleveland Selected as Mayor**

The Commissioners completed a silent ballot to select one of their members as Mayor. After collecting and reviewing the commission votes, the City Clerk announced that Greg Cleveland had been selected by the Commission to serve as Mayor for 2024-2025. Mayor Cleveland then appointed the following committees:

Commissioner of Finance – Jan Lanie – Sherrie Eaton (Vice)
Commissioner of Utilities – Howard Hatfield – Eric Smith (Vice)
Commissioner of Parks, Police, Fire – Sherrie Eaton – Howard Hatfield (Vice)
Commissioner of Street Dept., Airport – Eric Smith – Jan Lanie (Vice)

11. **Downtown Tree Planters - Tree Board, Bill Moyer**

Anthony Tree Board Member Bill Moyer was present to seek support from the Commission on the Tree Board's "Tree Planter" project for downtown Main Street. After discussing funding, maintenance, materials, and locations, the Commission gave consent for the Tree Board to

proceed with the planter boxes and thanked Bill and the Tree Board for their work on the project.

12. Banner Design Final Review Approved

Administrator Kastens presented the updated banner design based upon the Commission's last recommendations. Due to the grant deadline quickly approaching and the limitation of time, a final design was selected to keep the project moving.

13. RHID Program Update

Administrator Kastens updated the Commission on the progress of the RHID and the communications with the hospital, school, and county.

14. Ordinance No. G-2871 Moratorium on Billboards Approved

At the request of the Anthony City Planning Commission, the City Administrator presented Ordinance No. G-2871 to place a six-month moratorium on the permitting and construction of billboards in the City of Anthony, to allow the Planning Commission adequate time to draft updated policies for off-site advertising signs.

A motion was made to approve Ordinance No. G-2871 as presented.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland, Seconded by Commissioner Hatfield. A roll call vote was taken Mayor Cleveland - Yea, Commissioner Eaton - Yea, Commissioner Hatfield - Yea, Commissioner Lanie - Yea, and Commissioner Smith - Yea. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

15. Administrator Report

The Administrator provided a written report on the following: KMU CanCap Training, Airport, AWOS & Beacon Grant, BASE Grant, Anthony Lake Boat Ramp, Lead and Copper Rule, Cybersecurity, Billboards, and Housing (Builders, RHITC, Land Agreements, RHID, CDBG Housing Grant, Landbanks).

16. Chief of Police report

The Police Department reported the following activity:

Investigated one minor traffic accident.

Investigated a rape case and arrested Billy Coffey for several counts of rape, sodomy, child pornography, and aggravated indecent liberties with a child.

Helped with the Christmas parade.

17. Superintendent Report

The Superintendent reported on permits, Planning Commission, helping in front office, Cross Connection Control Regulations and other department activities.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

18. Executive Session to Discuss Staffing Processes Pursuant to “Personnel Matters of NonElected Personnel, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (1).”

At 7:25 p.m. Mayor Cleveland made a motion to go into Executive Session for ten minutes until 7:35 p.m. to Discuss Staffing Processes Pursuant to “Personnel Matters of Non-Elected Personnel, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (1).” Commissioner Hatfield seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The Commission chambers were cleared with the Commissioners and City Administrator remaining present.

At 7:35 p.m., Mayor Cleveland called the regular meeting back to order. No binding action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland, Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cleveland, Commissioner Eaton, Commissioner Hatfield, Commissioner Lanie, and Commissioner Smith.

Gregory Cleveland, Mayor

Cyndra Kastens, City Clerk/Administrator