



City Commission Regular Meeting

Tuesday, September 15, 2026 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 Greg Cleveland
Commissioner Sherrie Eaton
Commissioner Jan Lanie
Commissioner Eric Smith
Commissioner Howard Hatfield

City Administrator Melinda Ewertz, City Superintendent Larry Berry, Police Chief Kenny Hodson, Randy and Jacquie Wiseley, Joseph Hanby, James Valentine, Dennis Lauver via Zoom.

- Approval of Agenda

Mayor Cleveland asked to add discussion of the Anthony Elementary Traffic Concerns, and to discuss the Health Nuisance Order for Joseph Hanby after Item No. 11 on the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Randy Wiseley shared his concerns about people swimming near the boat ramp and impeding boaters from loading/unloading from the dock.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve September 1, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Approve 09.08.2026 Payroll \$62,819.46
3. Appropriation Ordinance No. 3247 \$102,491.58

5. Approve Investment:

Bank of the Plains-Electric Reserve CD 5000001270 for \$100,000 into a CDAR for 12 months @ 4.27% with interest posted in Electric Reserve Fund.

Bank of the Plains-Electric Reserve CD 5000001262 for \$35,000 into a CDAR for 12 months @ 4.27% with interest posted in Electric Reserve Fund.

Bank of the Plains-Electric Reserve CD 5000001254 for \$100,000 into a CDAR for 12 months @ 4.27% with interest posted in Electric Reserve Fund.

Bank of the Plains-Electric Reserve CDARS 1031891295 for \$1,000,000 into a CDAR for 12 months @ 4.27% with interest posted in Capital Improvement Fund.

6. Special Appropriations:

Fund 41 - Elect. Utility - KMEA - Solar Labor - \$3,967.00

Fund 61 - Mun. Fight Addiction - Amazon - Narcan Refills - \$2,657.60

Fund 83 - EL Eq. Repl. - Border States - Sunrise 2nd Lighting - \$1,099.30

7. Approve Resignation of Justin Francis from Anthony Recreation Board

8. Approve Appointment of LeAnn Hodson to Replace Rebecca New on Anthony Housing Authority Board - Position Expires July 31, 2028

9. Approve Re-Appointments of Kent Olds and Dorothy Nickels to the Anthony Housing Authority Board - Positions Expire July 31, 2028

Mayor Cleveland asked if any items should be removed from the consent agenda for discussion. Commissioner Hatfield requested to pull Item No. 4 to discuss. A motion was made to approve the consent agenda as amended by removing Item No. 4.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland, Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS - NONE

REGULAR BUSINESS

4. **Approve Surplus of Recreation Equipment**

Commissioner Hatfield asked to discuss Item No. 4 from the consent agenda. The Commissioner discussed if the city would have any use for the rec's porta potties before they

are offered for sale. The Rec Commission already has a person interested in purchasing them for their septic service business. A motion was made to table the approval of Surplus of Recreation Equipment.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland, Seconded by Commissioner Smith.

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

10. **Approve Request to Waive Municipal Hall Rental Fees for Open Gym - James Valentine of First Pentecostal Church**

James Valentine was present to request use of the Municipal Hall by the First Pentecostal Church for open gym on Sundays for two hours. After discussion, a motion was made to approve the request to waive Municipal Hall rental fees for open gym by the First Pentecostal Church on Sundays from 6-8pm with a contingency of flexible schedules for other Hall events.

Motion made by Commissioner Hatfield, Seconded by Commissioner Eaton.

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

11. **Approve City Property Purchase Agreement and Broker Agreement - Dennis Lauver via Zoom**

Dennis Lauver, broker for the land purchase agreement between the City of Anthony and Casey's General Store, was present via Zoom to answer any questions the Commission. The purchase agreement and broker agreement has been reviewed by the City Attorney. A motion was made to approve signing the City Property purchase agreement and broker agreement.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland, Seconded by Commissioner Hatfield.

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

12. **Discuss Health Nuisance – Joseph Hanby**

Mr. Hanby was present to discuss his health nuisance order for his property on S. Kansas. Mr. Hanby requested a public hearing after being served the order, but did not appear for the hearing. The Commission heard Mr. Hanby and his concerns of paying for the clean up. No binding action was taken.

13. **Anthony Elementary Traffic Concerns – Trisha Moritz, Anthony Elementary**

Administrator Ewertz received an email from Elementary School Principal Trisha Moritz about the traffic on S. Lincoln after school during pick-up. Police Chief Hodson and the Commission discussed the potential change of one-way traffic, and no parking on S. Lincoln next to the school. At this time, no binding action was taken.

14. ***Untable - Approve Ordinance No. S-327 Vacating Street Right-of-Way N Bluff * Roll Call Vote***

A motion was made to untable the approval of Ordinance No. S-327 Vacating Street Right-of-Way N Bluff.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland, Seconded by Commissioner Hatfield.

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

After discussion of the ordinance, a motion was made to approve Ordinance No. S-327.

Motion made by Mayor Cleveland, Seconded by Commissioner Lanie.

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

Roll Call Vote: Voting Yea: Mayor Cleveland, Commissioner Eaton, Commissioner Lanie, Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Hatfield

15. **Discuss Airport Fuel System - Administrator Ewertz**

Administrator Ewertz updated the Commission on the Airport AV Fuel System. The software is no longer compatible and needs to be upgraded. Utility Administrative Assistant Callie Carpenter has attempted to make contact with a sales representative with no success to purchase the upgrade at the time of this meeting. The Administrator is working with EBH consultant Darin Neufeld about the new AV Fuel system and if that component of the system can be installed prior to the new Jet-A tank system.

16. **Discuss Neighborhood Revitalization Program - Administrator Ewertz**

Administrator Ewertz provided information about the new county Neighborhood Revitalization Program and how this would affect the City of Anthony and collection of property tax for ad valorem taxes. The public hearing will be on Monday, September 28th at 10am at the County Commission meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

17. **Chief of Police Report**

Police Chief Hodson provided a police department activity report to the Commission.

18. **Administrator Report**

Administrator Ewertz provided a report of city activity to the Commission.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

19. **Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Matters Pursuant to "Personnel Matters of NonElected Personnel, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (1)."**

At 7:25p.m., Mayor Cleveland made a motion to enter executive session to Discuss Personnel Matters Pursuant to "Personnel Matters of NonElected Personnel, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b) (1)" for 20 minutes until 7:45p.m. Motion seconded by Commissioner Lanie. The Commission Chambers were cleared leaving on the Commissioners present.

At 7:45p.m., Mayor Cleveland made a motion to extend executive session for 15 minutes until 8:00p.m., seconded by Commissioner Lanie.

Melinda Ewertz entered the meeting at 7:50p.m.

At 8:00p.m., Mayor Cleveland made a motion to extend executive session for 15 minutes until 8:15p.m., seconded by Commissioner Smith.

At 8:15p.m., Mayor Cleveland made a motion to extend executive session for 10 minutes until 8:25p.m., seconded by Commissioner Lanie.

At 8:25, Mayor Cleveland call 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 Lanie.

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

Gregory Cleveland, Mayor

Melinda Ewertz, City Clerk/Administrator