

April 6, 2026
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF ANTHON, IOWA

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Mayor Pro Tem Connie Westphal called the special meeting of the Anthon City Council to order on April 6, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. Council members present were Ruth Groth, Ross Baldwin, Anthony McFarland, Joel Westphal, and Connie Westphal. Also present – Cristy Nelson, Jeff Collins, Mike Umbach, Amy Buck, and Allyson Dirksen.

AGENDA: Motion by McFarland, second by Groth, to approve the printed agenda as presented. Carried 5-0.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT: The Council completed the annual personnel review of Public Works Superintendent Jeff Collins.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF MAINTENANCE EMPLOYEE: The Council completed the annual personnel review of Maintenance Employee Mike Umbach.

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE 21.5(1)(c): Motion by McFarland, second by J. Westphal to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c) for the annual review of the Deputy City Clerk at 5:48 pm. Passed with a record vote as follows: ayes – McFarland, J. Westphal, Groth, Baldwin, and C. Westphal; nays – none. Motion by J. Westphal, second by Groth to resume open session. Passed with a record vote as follows: McFarland, J. Westphal, Groth, Baldwin, and C. Westphal; nays – none. Open session resumed at 6:40 pm.

CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO IOWA CODE 21.5(1)(i): Motion by Baldwin, second by McFarland to go into closed session pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(c) for the annual review of the City Clerk at 6:46 pm. Passed with a record vote as follows: ayes – McFarland, J. Westphal, Groth, Baldwin, and C. Westphal; nays – none. Motion by J. Westphal, second by Baldwin to resume open session. Passed with a record vote as follows: McFarland, J. Westphal, Groth, Baldwin, and C. Westphal; nays – none. Open session resumed at 7:38 pm.

REMOVAL OF CITY CLERK: Motion by J. Westphal to remove the City Clerk and to direct the City Attorney to draft the written order of removal consistent with Iowa Code; second by Baldwin. Passed with a record vote as follows: McFarland, J. Westphal, Groth, Baldwin, and C. Westphal; nays – none.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Groth, seconded by J. Westphal, to adjourn. Carried 5-0. Mayor Pro Tem proclaimed the meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Connie Westphal, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Allyson Dirksen, City Attorney