MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
OF THE ANNA CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 15TH, 2026

The Anna City Council met in regular session at Anna City Hall at 5:00 p.m. on the September 15th, 2026. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Hartline. The roll call went as follows: Present were Commissioner Torie Carter, Commissioner Michael Bigler, Commissioner Kathy Bryan, and Mayor Steve Hartline. Other members present were City Administrator Dori Bigler, Treasurer Angela Webb, Public Works Manager Jordan Chamness, and Police Chief Barter. Fire Chief Bowen was absent.

Mayor Hartline opened up the floor for public communications.

Ty Peterson with AFSCME Council 31 Local 141 approached the council urging them to adopt a resolution in favor of keeping Choate MHC operating at full capacity. He reiterated that layoffs of the magnitude proposed will be devastating to Union County and the surrounding areas.

Mayor Hartline made the announcement that after 39 years of service to the city, 15 years as a Police Officer, and 24 serving as the Mayor, he will not be seeking re-election in April 2027.

City Administrator Bigler gave a few project updates. We received $7 Million in Principal forgiveness for the WWTP project. The ITEP project is in full swing and at the Right of Way Acquisition phase. We are receiving proposals for our website revamp. The new scoreboards will be installed on Friday. The SIMA quarterly meeting is being hosted in Anna. We are working with Ameren for an EV charger in town. Finally, the annual IML conference is being held in Chicago and she will be in attendance.

Mayor Hartline asked if there were any Consent Agenda items the Council would like to pull for further discussion for a separate vote.

The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval.

A. *Minutes of the September 1, 2026 Regular Session*
B. *Minutes of the September 1, 2026 Closed Session*

C. *Approve the September 2026 Accounts Payable List*
D. *Ordinance 2026-12; Amending Section 38-3-81 of the Revised Code of Ordinances*
E. *Resolution 2026-39; Approving a Parade Permit for the Holiday Parade*
F. *Resolution 2026-40; Approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Anna and the Illinois Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council Regarding Lateral Hire Officers*
G. *Resolution 2026-41; Urging IDHS to Reverse their Decision to Downsize Services at Choate Mental Health and Development Center*
H. *Authorize Up to $50,000 of Police Capital Equipment for Used Electric Chevy Blazer & Equipment*
I. *Green Street Drainage Improvement Project*
    a. *Approve Horner Shifrin Invoice #81289 of $15,300.00*
J. *ITEP Project*
    a. *Approve Horner Shifrin Invoice #81402 of $21,580.87*
K. *Applications for Exclusive Use of Property*
    a. *Rural Health for Staff Appreciation on October 7, 2026 at the Amphitheater*
L. *Applications for Special Event Liquor License*
    a. *StarView Vineyards at Colorfest on October 10, 2026*
M. *Zoning Applications*
    a. *Anna Heights Baptist Church at 100 Turner Avenue*
    b. *Paul McIntire at 203 Holly Terrace*
    c. *William & Nancy Hooks at 119 Evergreen Drive*

A motion was made by Commissioner Bigler and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be RESOLVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Bigler, Commissioner Bryan, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

New Business Item #1 was tabled pending a discussion in closed session.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be RESOLVED TO APPROVE THE HIRE SHANE JONES AS A FULL-TIME/PART-TIME LABORER TO SERVE AS CODE ENFORCEMENT. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Carter, Commissioner

Bigler, Commissioner Bryan, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bigler and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be RESOLVED TO APPROVE TRICK OR TREAT HOURS FROM 6-8PM ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31ST, 2026. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Bigler, Commissioner Bryan, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A discussion was had regarding parking on W Davie from Green to Spring. An Ordinance will be drafted for the next meeting.

New Business item 5 was tabled for now as we received no bids.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bigler and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be RESOLVED TO AWARD THE ANNUAL OIL AND CHIP PROJECT TO ILLINI ASPHALT CORP AT THE RATE OF $1.55/LINEAR FOOT. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Bigler, Commissioner Bryan, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter and Seconded by Commissioner Bigler that it be RESOLVED TO ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 5:33PM. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Bigler, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

Open session resumed at 6:01pm.

A motion was made by Mayor Hartline to nominate Don Denny to the vacancy on City Council. There was no second to the motion so it died on the floor.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bryan and Seconded by Commissioner Bigler to NOMINATE DAVE PRATHER TO FILL THE VACANCY ON THE ANNA CITY COUNCIL UNTIL THE NEXT GENERAL ELECTION.

A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Bigler, Commissioner Bryan, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bigler and seconded by Commissioner Carter that it be RESOLVED THAT THE REGULAR SESSION ON THE ANNA CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 15th, 2026 BE ADJOURNED AT 6:05PM. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Bigler, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.