

CITY OF HAMPTON
Minutes, Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday, July 23rd, 2024, 7:00pm
5784 Navarre Ave., Hampton, FL 32044

ANYONE WISHING TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL REGARDING ANY TOPIC ON THIS EVENING'S AGENDA IS REQUESTED TO COMPLETE A COMMENT CARD AND RETURN TO THE CITY CLERK. PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES.

Meeting Facilitator: Dale Wiseman, Mayor

Invocation followed by Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL – City Clerk – Councilwoman Dot Shealey, Councilmember Frank Bryant, Mayor Dale Wiseman, and Vice Chairman Douglas Williamson. Councilwoman Lillian Sams and Chair Bill Goodge were absent. Also present were City Clerk/Administrator Mary Lou Hildreth and City Attorney Will Sexton.

Public Comment - Please limit comments to 3 minutes and restrain from personal attacks, using an individual's name or making political statements.

1. Public Hearings:

- A. ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 02: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING INCLUSION OF THE CITY IN THE MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT UNIT ESTABLISHED BY BRADFORD COUNTY TO FUND THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES EACH YEAR; PROVIDING FOR THE TERM OF SUCH AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Second Reading)

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 2024 – 02 made by Councilwoman Shealey, seconded by Vice Chair Williamson. Passed 3 - 0

- B. ORDINANCE NO. 2024 – 03: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 5, 2024; PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS FOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF A PROPOSAL TO REPEAL AND REPLACE THE EXISTING CITY CHARTER WITH A NEW, COMPREHENSIVELY REWORDED AND RESTATED CITY CHARTER THAT MAINTAINS THE CITY COUNCIL FORM OF GOVERNMENT AND UPDATES OTHER PROVISIONS AS STATED HEREIN AND BELOW; ESTABLISHING BALLOT TITLES AND SUMMARIES; PROVIDING FOR THE AMENDMENT OF THE CITY CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICES; PROVIDING DIRECTION TO STAFF; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF ORDINANCE PROVISIONS; REPEALING INCONSISTENT AND/OR CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATIONS ARISING FROM CONSIDERATION AT A

PUBLIC HEARING; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Second Reading)

Motion to approve Ordinance 2024 – 03 made by Councilman Bryant, Seconded by Vice Chair Williamson. Passed 3 - 0 2. Resolutions:

A. RESOLUTION 2024 – 03: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON, FLORIDA, PRESERVING THE HAMPTON CITY HALL

Ms. Hildreth advised that there was additional language regarding the city's match that needed to be added pursuant to information received from the grant manager.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024 – 03 made by Vice Chair Williamson, seconded by Councilwoman Shealey. Passed 3 - 0

3. Proclamations:

4. Presentations:

- A. Deputy Glenn Ward, BSO Deputy Patrols – not notified of meeting
- B. Report on Water and Streets – Josh Davis, Swamp Cutters - absent
- C. Clerk/Admin Report
 - Legislative Appropriation Funds: Ms. Hildreth continues working with the engineers to see what additional funding the new well may need over and above the \$600,000 from the CDBG grant and then focus on what other water yard needs there are and prioritize their funding for the \$550,000 legislative appropriation.
 - Received notice that the Florida League of Mayors/Business Watch city catalyst grant for the new water fountains for the parks was awarded. A representative will present at a future meeting. Since no one from the city is attending the Florida League of Cities conference in South Florida she will prepare a letter of appreciation to be read during the presentation.
 - FRDAP grants – Working with the state grant manager on budget discrepancies. Awaiting contracts for both grants. The engineer is working on obtaining boundary surveys for both parks.
 - CDBG grant – Engineers are awaiting the permit from SRWMD for the well.
 - Still awaiting final close out of the SEARCH grant so engineering invoices can be submitted for reimbursement.
 - Resilience grants: The Planning grant continues to move forward. The Implementation grant is in the design and engineering phase, with additional

funding to be requested in the next cycle due to cost increases. She and the engineers are working with state grant managers by providing additional requested information.

- Lead and Copper sampling is currently in process.
- Ms. Hildreth has meeting on Thursday with FDOT, DEP and the County to review the next phase of the Rails to Trails.
- Received notification that the paint on the refurbished slides at BSMP is peeling off. Working with the vendor to rectify.
- DEP - Submitted waiver and documentation to have the fees waived and received notice that the PWS annual fees (\$500.00) have been waived.
- Street Banners – received the first estimate (\$5,700 which is for the hardware, Christmas banners and 100th anniversary banners. She will reach out to Thermacell for a possible donation. They gave \$10,000 to Bradford High School for their STEM program and feels that they may consider assisting the City of Hampton as well.
- ARC/CRH –The Community Resource Hub is now open to the public the second and fourth Tuesday of the month from 10 – 2. Another food distribution will be held on August 3rd. Reminder that the “blessing box” for non-perishable foods for the public is active. Please let your friends, family, neighbors, congregations, etc. know that there is a need for donations.
- Form 1 – Ms. Hildreth wanted to confirm with everyone that they have filed their required financial form.
- Budget and Trim time – First Hearing will be held on **9/10/24 at 6:00 p.m.**, the Final Hearing will be held during the regular meeting on **9/24/24 at 7:00 p.m.** Please mark your calendars, especially for the **Final Hearing**.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

ALL MATTERS UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA AER CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION IN THE FORM LISTED BELOW. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION ON THESE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THAT ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND WILL BE CONSIDERED SEPARATELY. BACKUPDOCUMENTAION AND STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL ON THESE ITEMS.

- A. Approval of Regular City Council Meeting Minutes from June, 2024
- B. Financials/Account Payables for June, 2024

Motion to approve consent agenda made by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilwoman Shealey. Passed 3 - 0

6. OLD BUSINESS:

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Trail-Go Grant

City Clerk/Admin

Ms. Hildreth advised this was a potential grant for amenities for the Rails to Trails, but it appears to be mainly for the maintenance of said trails (which is handled by park rangers from Gold Head Branch State Park), however, she would like to explore if the additional benefits such as signage, lighting, benches, water fountains, etc. would apply strictly to the trail and/or the trailhead (Bobbie Sheppard Memorial Park) and, if so, apply for the grant.

Motion to approve grant application based on outcome of research made by Councilwoman Shealey, seconded by Vice Chair Williamson. Passed 3 - 0

B. The Arc of Bradford Donation

City Clerk/Admin

Bradford ARC is having their annual Fall Festival and are requesting sponsorships. Last year the city donated \$1,000.00. Ms. Hildreth believes that they are an important addition to the community in general and by hosting food giveaways every other month, hosting the new Community Resource Hub twice a month and hosting the food “blessing box” and should be supported because the city is not able to provide these services.

Motion to donate \$1,000.00 to Bradford Arc made by Councilman Bryant, seconded by Councilwoman Shealey. Passed 3 - 0

C. Water Rates

City Clerk/Admin

Tabled

D. Swamp Cutters Contract

Mayor Wiseman

Ms. Hildreth had brought to the Mayor’s attention and inordinate amount of herbicide control purchases. The Mayor also expressed concern about not receiving work logs and lack of inventory control as required by their contract. Also not attending council meetings. Discussion regarding going out to bid again.

Motion to schedule a workshop for this issue made by Vice Chair Williamson, seconded by Councilman Bryant. Passed 3 – 0. Workshop scheduled for August 13, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

8. City Attorney Report - none

9. Council general announcements/discussions

Vice Chair Williamson expressed concern that the pavilion is rusting and that the signs on CR 18 prevent the county’s large tractors from mowing the right of way.

10. Adjourn

IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE CITY COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THIS SCHEDULED PUBLIC MEETING, THEY WILL NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS BASED. OTHER MATTERS OF CONCERN NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY BE DISCUSSED AS DETERMINED BY CITY COUNCIL. EX PARTE COMMUNICATIONS (SOMETIMES REFERRED TO AS LOBBYING OR INFORMATION GATHERING) BETWEEN A COUNCIL MEMBER AND OTHERS WHERE THERE IS SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION REGARDING A QUASI-JUDICIAL DECISION BY THE CITY COUNCIL MUST BE DISCLOSED BY THE COUNCIL SO THE PUBLIC MAY RESPOND TO SUCH COMMENTS BEFORE A VOTE IS TAKEN. ALL COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE AUDIO TAPED.

By:

ATTEST:

Mayor Dale Wiseman

City Clerk/Administrator Mary Lou Hildreth