

CITY OF HAMPTON
Minutes, Council Workshop Meeting
Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 6:00pm
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 – Mayor Dale Wiseman, Councilwoman Dorothy Shealey, Councilwoman Lillian Sams, and Vice Chair Douglas Williamson. Chair Bill Goodge and Councilman Frank Bryant were absent. City Clerk/Administrator Mary Lou Hildreth and City Attorney Will Sexton were also present.

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

1. Public Works Contract

Mayor/Council

Discussion regarding excessive weed killer purchases. Mayor Wiseman asked what are the options regarding the recent bill. City Attorney Sexton stated we could either send the invoice back to the vendor and advise them that Mr. Davis is not an authorized purchaser on behalf of the city or pay it and deduct that amount from Swamp Cutters payment. Consensus was to send it back to the vendor and also send Swamp Cutters a letter advising that they have purchased materials that were not used exclusively for the City of Hampton and requesting reimbursement, unless they can provide a detailed log of its use.

Mayor Wiseman said the bigger issue is to decide what we need to do overall about Swamp Cutters, as we do not receive logs and there is absolutely no inventory control and both are required in the contract. Also the fact that he does not attend meetings reflects poorly. There is obviously a problem. In addition, the contract was designed to do the manual meter reading and now that time has been cut to less than an hour.

Discussion regarding options to go out to bid. Mayor Wiseman believes at the very least we will save money. We need to move on and have separate contractors if need be. The consensus of the council was for staff to bring options for a new facilities maintenance contractor and water maintenance contractor.

This item will be on the next regular council meeting agenda.

2. Adjourn

IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL NAY 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 REFERED TO AS LOBBYING OR INFORMAITON 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 TAKE. ALL COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE AUDIO TAPED.

By:

ATTEST:

Dale Wiseman, Mayor

Mary Lou Hildreth, City Clerk/Administrator