

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2010, 5:30 P.M.**

The Hampton City Council Regular Session was called to order at City Council Chambers by Mayor Protem Karen Schmidt at 5:30 p.m. Council members in attendance were Steve Harms, Craig Eckhardt, James Davies, Bill Hodge and Richard Lukensmeyer. Mayor Protem Schmidt invited those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag. Mayor Protem Schmidt called for a motion to approve the **agenda**, with the amendment to delete the New Business item for Franklin County's Joint Agreement for an Urban Renewal Plan (to be rescheduled for a later date). Motion by Davies. Second by Harms. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment: Mayor Protem Schmidt invited those wishing to make public comment to address the Council. **Debbie Kalousek** of **Main Street Hampton** addressed the Council to invite them to attend a T.I.F. Financing Seminar to be held March 17th. She also voiced concerns and comments regarding recent information of the deteriorating condition of the bandshell at Bandshell Park, encouraging the Council to make repairs.

Dave Heyden, Friends of Beeds Lake, provided a recap of the past 20 years of lake improvements and requested signatures on a letter of support from the City. Tim Moreau, Veenstra & Kimm, has been hired to conduct a sediment removal feasibility study for the group and explained the proposal. Lawrence Green, NRCS, reviewed a watershed survey draft. Heyden will meet with the Finance & Personnel Committee to request funding for the feasibility study.

Committee Reports: **Finance and Personnel** report given by Schmidt; next meeting scheduled for March 1st, at 5:30 p.m. **City Services** report given by Harms; next meeting scheduled for March 2nd., at 5:30 p.m. **Public Assets** report given by Hodge, reading minutes of their February 26th meeting.

New Business: **Tim Moreau and Andy Smith of Veenstra & Kimm, Inc.**, addressed the Council and fielded questions regarding discussions on considerations for changes to the **sidewalk plan for the Highway 65 Project**. This matter will be placed on the March 9th Council agenda for consideration of Council action.

Motion by Hodge, seconded by Davies, to approve the **CDBG pay request to Huisenga Construction** for project at **611 7th Street SW** in the amount of \$10,568.00. Following discussion regarding costs of some items listed on the request, a vote was taken. Motion failed with a unanimous vote of nay. Dunt to consult Simmering-Cory Consultants for answers to questions.

Motion by Davies, seconded by Hodge, to approve the **CDBG pay request to Huisenga Construction** for project at **612 8th Street SW** in the amount of \$6,064.00. Motion approved unanimously.

Mayor Protem Schmidt called for a motion to **approve claims**. Motion by Harms to approve claims, as recommended by the Finance Committee, minus the previously denied pay request in the amount of \$10,568.00; new total **\$119,589.55**. Seconded by Eckhardt. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Harms to approve the **Consent Agenda**, including previous minutes as drafted from the February 9, 2010, Regular Session, scheduling a Special Goal Setting Session for Friday, March 5, 2010, at 12:00 noon, at City Council Chambers, scheduling the next Regular Session for Tuesday,

March 9, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers. Second by Hodge. Motion approved unanimously.

Staff Reports given by **Captain Jim Hilton**, Police Dept. - The 2010 Explorer is in use, four nuisance notices were served, with two resolved, and 20 snow removal tickets were issued in February. **Doug Tarr**, Public Works Director - Requested a consensus for how the Council wants the code for sidewalk snow removal enforced. Council agreed Tarr should enforce the code as written and issue municipal infractions to property owners for non-compliance. **Ron Dunt**, City Manager, had nothing to report.

Council Reports given by **Davies** - Thanked Dave Heyden for his presentation and reminded everyone of Lt. Governor Judge's visit at North Side School, and the Simon Estes concert next week. **Harms** - Expressed thanks to Dave Heyden. **Hodge** - Nothing. **Eckhardt** - Commended the snow removal crew on doing a good job and commented that the City needs to consider a street assessment policy for street improvements. **Lukensmeyer** - He plans to invite the DNR Forester to attend a future Council meeting. **Mayor Protem Schmidt** had nothing to report.

Motion to adjourn by Lukensmeyer at 6:53 p.m. Second by Hodge. Motion approved unanimously.
Adjournment 6:53 p.m.

Attest:

Ron Dunt, City Manager

Mayor Protem Karen Schmidt