

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2010, 5:30 P.M.**

The Hampton City Council Regular Session was called to order at City Council Chambers by Mayor Diane Weldin at 5:30 p.m. Council members in attendance were Steve Harms, Craig Eckhardt, Karen Schmidt, James Davies, Bill Hodge and Richard Lukensmeyer. Mayor Weldin invited those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag. Mayor Weldin called for a motion to approve the **agenda**, with the amendment to delete the item of Veenstra & Kimm, Inc., on the Highway 65 Project sidewalk discussion (rescheduled for 02/23/10, due to weather). Motion by Hodge. Second by Harms. Motion approved unanimously.

Public Comment: Mayor Weldin invited those wishing to make public comment to address the Council; none.

Committee Reports: **Finance and Personnel** report given by Schmidt. Motion by Schmidt, seconded by Eckhardt, to approve the proposed FY10-11 Budget, setting Public Hearing for Tuesday, March 9 2010, at 5:30 p.m., at City Council Chambers. Motion approved unanimously. **City Services** report given by Harms; next meeting scheduled for March 2nd. **Public Assets** report given by Hodge; next meeting scheduled for February 16th.

New Business: City Manager Dunt reviewed details of a proposed **FAA grant application** for airport improvements. Motion by Hodge, seconded by Harms, to authorize the Mayor to sign and submit the grant application to FAA for the proposed airport improvements. Hodge verified that the grant was still a 95%/5% split. Motion approved unanimously.

City Manager Dunt commented on information received from Water's Edge Aquatic Design regarding recommendations for services needed in preparation for the bidding process on the new aquatic center. Motion by Eckhardt, seconded by Harms, to authorize City staff to arrange for **Clapsaddle-Garber Associates to conduct a survey and Terracon to perform soil borings at the proposed site of the new aquatic center**, as recommended by Water's Edge Aquatic Design. Following much discussion, motion approved unanimously.

Mayor Weldin called for a motion to **approve claims**. Motion by Schmidt to approve claims, as recommended by the Finance Committee, totaling **\$484,262.21**. Seconded by Harms. It was noted this amount includes the final payment to on the 1998 Water Tower Bond; \$271,995.50. Eckhardt commented the City pays too much for animal pound fees; people need to take better care of their pets. Motion approved unanimously.

Motion by Lukensmeyer to approve the **Consent Agenda**, including previous minutes as drafted for publication from the January 26, 2010, Regular Session, the February 1, 2010, Special Budget Workshop Session, and scheduling the next Regular Session for Tuesday, February 23, 2010. Second by Davies. Motion approved unanimously.

Staff Reports given by **Chief Ray Beltran**, Police Dept., reminded motorists to not park in the streets when the Snow Ordinance is in effect and advised there have been instances of deer coming into town to feed; many are dying from starvation, according to the D.N.R. **Doug Tarr**, Public Works Director, commented on the written report he provided to Council. **Ron Dunt**, City Manager, explained a request he'd submitted to the County Treasurer for tax abatement on an assessment for Imperial Road; also, that he's working with attorneys in regard to property donated to the cemetery.

Council Reports given by **Davies, Schmidt, Lukensmeyer, Eckhardt and Hodge**, expressing gratitude to City crews in their snow removal efforts. **Lukensmeyer**, also, reported on a meeting he'd

had with the State Forester regarding planning for tree stewardship in City parks. Harms had nothing to report. **Mayor's Report** given by **Mayor Weldin**, thanking Davies for opening the theatre for a matinee on snow days.

Motion to adjourn by Hodge at 6:10 p.m. Second by Schmidt. Motion approved unanimously.

Adjournment 6:10 p.m.

Attest:

Ron Dunt, City Manager

Mayor Diane Weldin