

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2024, at 6:00 P.M.**

The Hampton City Council Regular Session Meeting was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor Steve Birdsall at 6:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were Kevin Blanford, James Davies, Jerre Grefe, Bill Hodge and Patrick Palmer. Also present were City Manager Ron Dunt and Police Chief Mark Morrison. Barry Lamos and Public Works Director Doug Tarr were absent. Mayor Birdsall invited those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag. Mayor Birdsall called for a motion to **approve the agenda**. Motion by Hodge, second by Davies to approve the agenda. Motion approved.

Council Workshop Report: Minutes from the August 19, 2024 workshop were presented by Mayor Birdsall.

Public Comment: None. **Public Hearing:** None. **Old Business:** None.

New Business: The council considered a request from Isaac Vosburg on behalf of the Hampton-Dumont School District for closure of 1st Street SW from Hwy 3 to 1st Avenue SW for a Community Tailgate to be held in Bandshell Park Thursday, September 26. (Setup will begin at 4:30 pm and the event will be done around 8:00 pm.) Motion by Davies, second by Palmer to approve Street Closure Request from Hampton-Dumont Schools. Motion approved unanimously.

The council recognized Brad Schmidt as the **August 2024 Image of Pride** recipient for a property located at 108 3rd St NW.

The council considered an application from Lance Studer to fill a **vacancy on the Planning & Zoning Commission** for the remainder of a term ending December 31, 2026 vacated by Jesse Mollenbeck. Motion by Hodge, second by Blanford to appoint Lance Studer to fill a vacancy for the remainder of a term ending December 31, 2026. Motion approved unanimously.

Bill Hittle presented a request to do a **50/50 raffle to raise money for benches for Bandshell Park**. Motion by Blanford, second by Palmer to approve a fundraising raffle for Bandshell Park Benches. Motion approved unanimously.

Approval of claims. Motion by Grefe, second by Blanford to approve the claims as submitted by Staff in the amount of \$145,363.94. Motion approved unanimously.

Consideration of Approval and Adoption of the Ordinances/Resolutions: City Manager Dunt presented **Resolution 2024-24: ESTABLISHING A HOUSING STEERING COMMITTEE AND COMMITTING \$10,000 LOCAL MATCH FOR THE IOWA RURAL HOUSING ASSESSMENT GRANT APPLICATION**. Motion by Grefe, second by Davies to approve Resolution 2024-24. Roll call vote: Ayes: Palmer, Grefe, Blanford, Hodge, and Davies. Nays: None. Absent: Lamos. Resolution 2024-24 approved.

City Manager Dunt presented **Resolution 2024-25: A RESOLUTION APPROVING RENEWAL OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF HAMPTON AND MARK MORRISON AS POLICE CHIEF.** The 3 year contract will be effective September 27, 2024 and the annual base salary is: September 27, 2024 - \$90,850.00; September 27, 2025 - \$97,663.75; September 27, 2026 - \$102,546.93. Motion by Davies, second by Hodge to approve Resolution 2024-25. Roll call vote: Ayes: Grefe, Palmer, Blanford, Davies, Hodge. Nays: None. Absent: Lamos. Resolution 2024-25 approved.

Consent Agenda: Mayor Birdsall presented the consent agenda. Motion by Grefe, second by Blanford to approve the consent agenda and the following items: Approve previous minutes as drafted from the Thursday, August 8, 2024 Regular Session; schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday, September 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers. No workshop will be held Monday, September 9 and no regular session will be held Thursday, September 12. Motion approved unanimously.

Staff Reports given by **Police Chief Mark Morrison and City Manager Ron Dunt.**

Council Reports given by Davies, Blanford, Palmer, Grefe and Hodge.

Mayor's Report given by Mayor Birdsall.

Motion to adjourn by Hodge, seconded by Palmer 6:31 p.m.

Attest:

Ron Dunt, City Manager

Mayor Steve Birdsall