

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025, at 6:10 P.M.  
(Followed a Special Session)**

The Hampton City Council Regular Session Meeting was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor Steve Birdsall at 6:10 p.m. Council members in attendance were James Davies, Jerre Grefe, Bill Hodge, Barry Lamos and Patrick Palmer. Ward III is vacant. Also present were City Manager Ron Dunt, Public Works Director Doug Tarr, and Police Chief Mark Morrison. Mayor Birdsall called for a motion to **approve the agenda**. Motion by Lamos second by Davies to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

The Mayor read the **City Leadership Statement**.

**Council Workshop Report:** Mayor Birdsall presented minutes from the March 24, 2025 Council Workshop and read a **Proclamation** declaring April 2025 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

**Public Comment:** Don Warneke updated the council on a demo project at the corner of Hwy 65 and 140<sup>th</sup> Street. Marilyn Moser spoke in support of Jeanne Fay for the Ward III vacancy. Dick Lukensmeyer spoke in support of Bill Holmstrom for the Ward III vacancy. Joslyn Stock voiced support for Crystal Wolverers and Jeanne Fay for the Ward III vacancy.

**Public Hearing:** None.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** The next item of business was **to appoint to the Ward III Council vacancy to serve until the canvassing of the November 2025 election**. Motion by Lamos, second by Hodge to appoint Bill Holmstrom to fill the Ward III vacancy until the canvassing of the November 2025 Election. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Lamos, Davies, Hodge; Nays: Palmer and Grefe. The appointment passed 3 to 2. Holmstrom immediately was given the Oath of Office and took his seat with the council.

The council considered **Pay Estimate #6 from Henkel Construction in the amount of \$813,152.50 for Water Treatment Plant Improvements**. Mike Shoup from V & K provided details. Motion by Grefe, second by Lamos to approve Pay Estimate #6 from Henkel Construction in the amount of \$813,152.50. Motion approved unanimously.

Consider the **final draft of the FY26 Budget, set hearing for April 24, 2025 at 6:00 pm in the city council chambers and authorize city staff to publish notice in the April 9, 2025 edition of Hampton Chronicle**. Motion by Davies, second by Palmer to approve the final draft of FY26 Budget, set public hearing for April 24, 2025 at 6:00 pm in city Council Chambers and authorize city staff to publish notice in the April 9, 2025 edition of the Hampton Chronicle. Motion approved unanimously.

**Approval of claims.** Motion by Hodge, second by Lamos to approve the **claims as submitted by Staff** in the amount of \$957,419.33. Motion approved unanimously.

**Consideration of Approval and Adoption of the Ordinances/Resolutions:** City Manager Dunt presented the first reading of Ordinance 405 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HAMPTON, IOWA, CHAPTER 165, ARTICLE 4, SECTION 2 TO CHANGE THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO RE-ZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY (First Reading). A public hearing will be held at the council meeting on Thursday, April 10. Motion by Palmer, second by Grefe to approve the first reading of Ordinance 405. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Palmer, Hodge, Lamos, Grefe, Davies, Holmstrom; Nays: None. Motion approved unanimously.

**Consent Agenda:** Mayor Birdsall presented the consent agenda. Motion by Grefe, second by Lamos to approve the previous minutes as drafted from Thursday, March 13, 2025 Regular Session; schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday, April 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers; and cancel the April 7, 2025 workshop. Motion approved unanimously.

**Staff Reports** given by Police Chief Mark Morrison, Public Works Director Doug Tarr, and City Manager Ron Dunt.

**Council Reports** given by Davies, Grefe, Hodge, Holmstrom, Lamos, and Palmer.

**Mayor's Report** given by Mayor Birdsall.

**Motion to adjourn** by Grefe, seconded by Palmer at 7:00 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Attest:

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Ron Dunt, City Manager

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Mayor Steve Birdsall