

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 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, Barry Lamos and Patrick Palmer. Also present were City Manager Ron Dunt, Public Works Director Doug Tarr, and Police Chief Mark Morrison. 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 Blanford, second by Palmer to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

Council Workshop Report: Minutes from the October 7, 2024 workshop were presented by Mayor Birdsall.

Public Comment: Lisa Rodriguez introduced herself as the new event chair for Franklin County Relay for Life and gave an update on their planning. The **2025 Relay for Life** will be held at the Franklin Wellness Center on September 13, 2025 from 11:30 – 4:00 pm. Ms. Rodriguez asked the council to waive the fees for food trucks at the event. The council will put this request on a future council workshop agenda for discussion.

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

New Business: Pat Palmer presented his nomination for the **October 2024 Image of Pride**. Motion by Palmer, second by Blanford to award the October 2024 Image of Pride to Dave and Mary Booth for property located at 927 Federal Street North. Motion approved unanimously.

City Manager Dunt presented the FY2024 Annual Financial Report to be submitted to the state. Motion by Hodge, second by Davies to **acknowledge the FY2024 Annual Financial Report submittal**. Motion approved unanimously.

Jerre Grefe presented a request for **street closure for Halloween Howl** on behalf of the Chamber. Motion by Davies, Second by Grefe to approve Chamber request for road closures during the Halloween Howl event. Motion approved unanimously.

City Manager Dunt presented the agreement for the Rural Housing Needs Assessment Grant. Motion by Palmer, second by Grefe to acknowledge the **Rural Housing Needs Assessment Grant agreement** and authorize the City Manager to sign. Motion approved unanimously.

Approval of claims. Motion by Palmer, second by Lamos to approve the **claims as submitted by Staff** in the amount of \$170,823.89. Motion approved unanimously. City Manager Dunt pointed out a purchase of a used street sweeper for use this fall which will save the city \$11,500 compared to renting a street sweeper for a month.

Consideration of Approval and Adoption of the Ordinances/Resolutions: City Manager Dunt presented the **second reading of Ordinance 404: “AN ORDINANCE ADDING**

CHAPTER 52 “NOISE” TO THE HAMPTON MUNICIPAL CODE OF 2017”. Motion by Hodge, second by Palmer to approve the second reading of Ordinance 404. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Davies, Hodge, Lamos, Blanford, Palmer and Grefe. Nays: None. Second Reading of Ordinance 404 approved.

Consent Agenda: Mayor Birdsall presented the consent agenda. Motion by Grefe, second by Lamos to approve the consent agenda and the following items: Approve previous minutes as drafted from the Thursday, September 26, 2024 Regular Session; schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday, October 24, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers; approve alcohol licensing for Koerner-Whipple Pharmacies, Inc., 104 1st Street NW, Hampton. Motion approved unanimously.

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

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

Mayor’s Report given by Mayor Birdsall.

Motion to adjourn by Hodge, seconded by Davies 6:45 p.m.

Attest:

Ron Dunt, City Manager

Mayor Steve Birdsall