

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE
CITY OF HAMILTON, TEXAS
JUNE 9, 2022**

A regular Council Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Hamilton, Texas was held on the 9th day of June, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall, 200 East Main, Hamilton, Texas.

The City Council meeting was open to the public. To allow for remote participation, people could view and listen to the meeting live via Zoom. Citizens could also provide a citizen's presentation and address the council via Zoom connection. Instructions were given during the meeting about how to address the Council. Sign in prior to the meeting was provided through the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/2p8pmywn>

Present for the meeting:

Mayor Rodney Craddick
Mayor Pro Tem Todd Jordan
City Administrator Ryan Polster
Council Member Gary Haggard

Council Member George Beard
Council Member Richard Buchanan
City Attorney Connie White

Absent: Council Member Doug Baker, City Secretary

Others present: Police Chief Brad Boulton, Danny Watson Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department, Daniel Thatcher, Vicki Beard, Kayla Schraub Hamilton Main Street, and Jamie LaDuke Hamilton Economic Development, Maurice Schwanke of Bureau Veritas, Johnny Clepper, Teresa Clepper, Collin Melton, Lacy Alexander, Reagan Reich, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Orner.

Item No. I: Mayor Craddick opened the meeting with a Prayer and Pledge allegiance.

Item No. II : The public hearing was called to order at 6:02 pm - Polster presented information during the public hearing, which included a summary of the INTERA Report. INTERA Incorporated, under contract to provide services to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, was tasked to perform an assessment of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives for the property located at 400 W Grogan St. Hamilton, Texas. This public hearing was held on June 9th at 6:00 pm over the ABCA (Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives) Polster stated the report will be available for 90 days at City Hall. The public hearing was closed at 6:04 pm unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Buchanan.

Item No. III: Public Comments. No present person spoke and no one commented on Zoom

Item No. IV: The following agenda deliberations were discussed and/or action taken:

1. Jordan made a Motion to approve the May 5, 2022 Called Council Meeting Minutes and May 12, 2022 Called Canvass Meeting Minutes. The Motion was seconded by Beard and passed unanimously.
2. Jordan made a Motion to approve the May Financial Report. Motion was seconded by Haggard and passes unanimously.
3. Danny Watson presented the Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department report. No action was taken.
4. Jeremy Shell with Boucher Morgan and Young presented the Fiscal Year 2021 Financial Audit Report. Shell presented an unqualified opinion, which is the highest level of assurance that the accounting firm can give, that the City's financial statements are materially correct allowing the financial government to make sound, financial decisions. Jordan made a Motion to accept the Audit. Motion was seconded by Beard and passed unanimously.

5. Maurice Schwanke presented additional services offered by Bureau Veritas and an agreement that would keep Bureau Veritas on standby for the services. Haggard made a Motion to approve the agreement, which was seconded by Jordan and approved unanimously.
6. Resolution #14-22, approving Fireworks display sponsored by Isaac Partain and detonated by Liberty Fireworks, to be held on the third of July, was approved unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Buchanan.
7. The Mayor deferred this item until the July Meeting: Consideration and/or Action of Amendment to Code of Ordinances Appendix B Zoning Sec. VII: - Zoning Districts; Purpose, Uses, and Conformance to Comprehensive Plan. Hamilton Square Overlay.
8. Ordinance #01-22, amending Code of Ordinances Chapter 2 Administration; Article II Officers and Employees; Division 1; Sec. 2-28. City Secretary. Haggard asked that the Ordinance allow the City Secretary to reside in Hamilton County or surrounding counties. The Motion passed with a rollcall vote: Haggard, Jordan, and Buchanan voting in favor, and Beard opposed.
9. Resolution #15-22, approving Reagan Reich to the Hamilton Economic Development Board of Directors. Completing a two-year term from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2023, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.
10. Resolution #16-22, approving Alicia Saldana to the Hamilton Historic Mainstreet Board of Directors, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Beard.
11. Resolution #17-22, conducting Nominations and Voting to Elect the Hamilton City Council Mayor Pro Tem position. Haggard nominated Beard, and Beard nominated Jordan. Jordan was approved with a 3-1 vote, Haggard voting for Beard.
12. Resolution #18-22, authorizing Appointment of Brooke Tomlinson to the City Secretary position, was approved by a rollcall vote, with Jordan, Buchanan, and Haggard voting to affirm, with Beard opposing.
13. Resolution #19-22, authorizing Reappointment of Beccy Rowe to Municipal Court Clerk position, passed unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.
14. Resolution #20-22, authorizing Reappointment of Randy Mills to the Municipal Judge position, passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Jordan.
15. Reducing or releasing Lien on 401 N Reagan, best described as SE 75X100 OF 3 BLK 18 (2) WAGNER (Property ID 17178), .2755 Acres, was denied unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Beard.
16. Haggard made a Motion to Table the abandonment of Undeveloped Road of North Hall in the Durham Heights Addition to the town of Hamilton, Hamilton County TX, until Mr. Orner could bring back a survey for the portion that is to be abandoned and a market analysis of the same property. motion was seconded by Buchanan and passed unanimously.
17. Resolution #21-22, approving the Reappointment of David Lengefeld to the Board of Directors of the Upper Leon River Municipal Water district, passed unanimously with a Motion from Haggard and a second from Jordan.
18. Ordinance #02-22, approving the Amended Plat for the proposed 3.8 acres of Land Owned by Piper Oaks LLC. in the Indian Oaks Subdivision, James

Hamilton Survey No. 17, A-412, was approved unanimously with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Beard.

Ryan Polster presented the City Administrator's Report.

Mayor Craddick presented the Community Center Report

Chief Bolton presented the Police Report to include Animal Control

Polster reported on grants and improvements to include: Highway 36 W water line moving project, street light upgrades along highway 281 and 36, the Fly-In 5-K and airport report, the newly elected officials training in Belton, the Standpipe water tower chlorine residual project, the Brownfields grant submission update, Code Red communications with hospital, school, and county, the Alternative Capacity Requirement which is nearing completion, reappointing a board to parks and recreation, City Hall external windows update, generator grants through CTCOG, high hazard potential grant program through TCEQ, and a street repair update.

Item No. V: Future Agenda Items: Polster will look into appointing the City Attorney Connie White, the downtown overlay, park board appointments, and Haggard will bring a report on his street investigation with the City of Burnett.

Item No. VI: Mayor Craddick adjourned the Regular Council Meeting unanimously at 8:24 pm with a Motion from Jordan and a second from Haggard.

Rodney Craddick, Mayor

Brooke Tomlinson, City Secretary