

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
CITY OF HAMILTON, TEXAS  
JANUARY 14, 2021**

A regular Council Meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Hamilton, Texas was held on the 14th day of January, 2021 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 or Facebook. Citizens could also provide a citizen's presentation and address the council via Zoom connection. Instructions were given during the meeting on how to address the Council. Sign in prior to the meeting was provided through the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/yd8xo9qg>

Present for the meeting:

Mayor Pro Tem Todd Jordan	Councilmember Shelley Voges
Councilmember Cody Morris	Attorney Connie White
Councilmember George Beard	City Administrator Ryan Polster-Zoom
Councilmember Justin Slone	City Secretary Misty Boatwright

Others present: Devin Tenboer Hamilton Police Department, Grant Lengefeld Hamilton Herald News-Zoom, Main Street Director Joni Hoxsey, Hamilton EDC Director Sara Bauman, Chamber of Commerce Director Kim Hinton, Clay Boatwright Public Works Director, Chris Blanton President Hamilton County Heritage Days, Steve Farabaugh KSA, Doug Baker, Jim Eidson, Kevin Cude, Brett Partin, Chrissy Gunter, Rodney Craddick, Linda Catoe, Colin Melton, and Jason Boulton Hamilton Police Chief.

**Item No. I:** Mayor Todd Jordan opened the meeting with a Prayer and Pledge of allegiance.

**Item No. II:** Public Comments, Grant Lengefeld spoke, expressing his concern for the EDC and the Reallocation of Sales and Use Tax. Doug Baker also spoke and expressed his concern about the same issue.

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

1. Beard made a Motion to approve the December 10, 2020 Regular Council Meeting Minutes. The Motion was seconded by Morris and passed unanimously.
2. Slone made a Motion to approve the December 2020 Financial Report. The Motion was seconded by Voges and passed unanimously.
3. No report was presented for the Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department.

4. Resolution #01-21, Ordering Municipal Election for 3 City Council positions and Appointing Debbie Rudolph as Election Judge and Joyce Sommerfeld as Alternate Election Judge, passed unanimously with a Motion from Slone and a second from Morris.
5. Resolution #02-21, Declaring April 19 and 20 as Two Twelve Hour Days for Early Voting, passed unanimously with a Motion from Slone and a second from Morris.
6. Resolution #03-21, Ordering a Special Election to fill a one-year vacancy for Mayor passed unanimously with a Motion from Morris and a second from Beard.
7. Resolution #04-21, Approving NexGen Strategies to Study Water and Sewer Rates, passed unanimously with a Motion from Morris and a second from Beard.
8. Resolution #05-21, To submit a Loan Application for water distribution and wastewater collection system improvements funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund and the Clean Water State Revolving Fund of the Texas Water Development Board (TWBD), passed unanimously with a Motion from Morris and a second from Voges.
9. Resolution #06-21, Approving the Unbudgeted Expenditure of Technology Funds in the Municipal Court for software maintenance, scanner and laptop, passed unanimously with a Motion from Slone and a second from Morris.
10. Discussion of Jayson Harris Pavilion and Rodeo Arena, presented by Hamilton County Heritage Days President, Chris Blanton. No action taken.
11. Morris made a Motion to approve the Hotel & Motel Occupancy Tax Financial Report for 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2020 and Related Reports. The Motion was seconded by Voges and passed unanimously.
12. Morris made a Motion to Appoint Cheryl Lassiter on the Hamilton Main Street Board, the Motion was seconded by Slone and passed unanimously.
13. In a workshop format, Polster reviewed Sales and Use Tax explaining why it is collected and how it is distributed to the governing bodies. Polster also walked through the ways that the Sales Tax could be reallocated for different and new funds.

Ryan Polster presented the City Administrator's Report:

- Mayor Jordan introduced Brad Boulton as the newly hired Hamilton Chief of Police. He will begin working for the City of Hamilton on February 1, 2021.
- Sgt. Tenboer presented the Police Report to include Animal Control.

- Polster reported that we had a request from Multi County for additional water to be written into their contract with the City. Polster will pursue an Alternate Capacity Requirement to secure enough water for the City of Hamilton before addressing the request from Multi County.
- Polster and Karla Werkman, Code Officer, met with John Wiley, Operations Manager of Water and Sewer for the City of Killeen, TX. Mr. Wiley helped City Staff to better understand how Industrial Waste Ordinance enforcement will work.
- Texas Department of Emergency Management Reimbursement
- The Financial Audit for FY2020 is in the final stages.
- Polster stated that by contract, the water towers are being painted, the logos and the wording on the towers will stay the same.
- Polster said we are now charging fees at the Bulk Waste. Dan Bell works our trash site and he said we have had less people and no complaints at the Bulk Waste Facility.
- Polster reported on the Airport, the runway has been lengthened and charted as of Dec 31, 2020 over 5,000 ft runway now. P631 Surface treatment is a \$489,000 grant that is underway right now in planning then construction will take place in May or June. The airport needs more hangars and the price has gone up. The hangars fall into the Aviation Capital Improvement Program scheduled for 2022-2023, the Federal portion of it will be available in 2022. The design cost for the hangar unit is \$110,000. and construction is \$1,350,000 Hamilton's portion for the design is \$11,000.00 and the construction will be around \$500,000. Fuel system will be paid off in February of 2022. The airport will have an extra \$30,000 a year for debt service.

**Item No. V:** No Future Agenda Items.

**Item No. V:** At 7:28 p.m. the City Council convened into Executive Session in accordance with the following provision of the Government Code, Section 551.072  
Deliberations about Real Property; City Lake.

**Item No. VI:** At 7:55 p.m. City Council Reconvened into Open Session.

14. Sloan made a Motion to table a discussion on a reversionary agreement on the City Lake Deed until the April meeting. Voges seconded the Motion which passed unanimously.

**Item No. IX:** Mayor Jordan adjourned the meeting unanimously at 8:10 p.m. with a Motion from Morris and a second made by Slone.

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Ronald T. Jordan, Mayor Pro-Tem

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Misty Boatwright, City Secretary