



**Acts of  
City Council of Hinton  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday September, 17 2013  
7:00 p.m. -- Hinton City Hall**

1. Call to order/Roll Call – Mayor Joe Blankenship called the meeting to order and the record showed that Council President Larry Meador was absent; Councilwoman Roberta Sorg, Councilman Pat Jordan, and Councilman Bobby Basham were all present. City Manager Cris Meadows, Chief of Police Derek Snavelly, and City Attorney Richard Gunnoe were also in attendance.
2. Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance – Lynn Maddy led the prayer and the pledge of allegiance.
3. Approval of Agenda – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
4. Approval of Minutes- Councilman Jordan, moved to approve the minutes of the August 2013 regular city council meeting. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
5. Approval of Paid Invoices – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the paid invoices. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
6. Approval of Financial Report August 2013 – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the financial report August 2013. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
7. Approval of Building Permits – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the building permits. Councilman Basham seconded the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 4-0.
8. Approval of Annual Financial Report for 2012-1013 – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the annual financial report. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote fo 3-0.
9. Appearance of Citizens – Veronica Gillette presented a petition for council to provide more humane animal cages to the dog warden. Council stated they would look into it. Tommy Oxley stated that Fayette Street needed paved.
10. Discussion and or action regarding Brooks Sewer Project – Councilman Basham moved to approve the payment of \$62,933.40. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
11. Discussion and or action regarding Gold Coast Project – Councilman Basham moved to approve the payment of \$115,002.60. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
12. Discussion and or action hiring auditor – Council discussed the ability to save money by hiring an outside accounting firm to perform the annual audit instead of using the state auditor's office. Councilman Jordan moved to hire and outside firm to preform the annual audit. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.

13. Discussion and or action regarding the transfer of property- Council discussed the transfer of the property that was given to us by Dr. Shamma at the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave and Ballangee Streets. The property will be transferred to the Building Commission so they can work out a lease with Mountain Plex Properties which plans on developing it into an open green space and dining area for their restaurants and other facilities in that area. Councilman Basham moved to transfer the property to the Building Commission. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
14. Discussion and or action regarding waterslide repairs – Cris stated that there had been many injuries on the slide this year and several kids went to the hospital to get stiches where the city insurance ended up paying claims. Cris recommended a national company called Slide Renu to come and fix it. Their proposal was \$52,000.00 and he has checked their references and not many companies specialize in this field. Council stated that no real money had ever been put back into the slide, it is a major attraction for the water park in the summer and it is a safety issue. Councilman Basham moved to approve the quote by Slide Renu for the repairs. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
15. Discussion and or action regarding municipal codification – Cris stated that the city code had not been professionally reworked since 1989 and was overdue for an overhaul. There are many outdated ordinances and we have picked a company used by many citys that are close to us. Councilman Jordan asked if they will come here and meet with us. Cris stated yes but it is extra with Municode but still less than the other company he received a quote from. City Attorney Richard Gunnoe agreed that it was a good price and a very large task that would take over a year to complete. Councilman Jordan moved to accept the proposal with Municode. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
16. Discussion and or action regarding fire civil service – Mayor Blankenship announced the chamber has appointed a new representative to the fire civil service board. Their appointment is Terry McIntire. Councilman Jordan moved to approve the appointment of Terry McIntire to the fire civil service board. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0.
17. Discussion and or action regarding public right of way restoration ordinance – Cris discussed that utilities continue to tear up our streets but never get a permit and also never fix them back the way they should. He would like a code that gives specific instructions to the utility companies on their responsibilities. Richard stated that there was one in place already but must have never been enforced. Cris thinks it needs to be more specific in the trench repair section and that we should notify the utilities.
18. Discussion and or action regarding smoking on public property ordinance – Council discussed the need to regulate smoking in public areas because of the issues at the pool this summer and in other places like the little league park.
19. Adjournment – Councilman Basham moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.

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Cris C. Meadows/ City Manager

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Joseph M. Blankenship/ Mayor