



**Acts of  
City Council of Hinton  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday April, 16 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 Councilman Larry Meador, Councilman Pat Jordan and Councilman Bobby Basham were all present. City Manager Cris Meadows, Fire Chief Ray Pivont, Police Chief Snavelly, and City Attorney Richard Gunnoe were also in attendance. Councilman Tommy Oxley was absent.
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 March 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. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
6. Approval of Financial Report March 2013 – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the financial report March 2013. Councilman Meador 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 and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
8. Approval of Levy Rates for 2013-2014 Fiscal Year - Councilman Jordan moved to approve the Levy Rates. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
9. Appearance of Citizens – Rick Moorefield reported to council that the city was awarded a grant for \$4500.00 to begin revisions to the strategic plan and he would be working with the City Manager on the details. Stuart Oxley asked about more work being done on the Incinerator Road council stated that it would be done if it was needed.
10. Discussion and or action regarding Brooks Sewer Project – Council discussed the project was ahead of schedule. Councilman Jordan moved to approve the payment of the invoices. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
11. Discussion and or action regarding Gold Coast Project – Nothing was discussed
12. Discussion and or action regarding hiring a fireman – Chief Pivont recommended Josh Dawson to be hired to replace Jason Hall who recently resigned. Councilman Basham

moved to approve hiring Josh Dawson based on the chief's recommendation. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.

13. Discussion and or action regarding hiring policeman – Chief Snavely recommended hiring Patrick Hephner be hired to replace Joe Stewart who just left us to go work for Beckley Police Department pending background medical evaluations. Councilman Meador moved to hire Patrick Hephner based on the chiefs recommendation pending all required tests. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
14. Discussion and or action regarding city audit – Cris went through the audit findings and explained what was needed to correct them. Mayor Blankenship stated he had found some retired accountants willing to donate their time to help get some of the problems corrected. Councilman Jordan moved to accept the audit as presented. Councilman Basham seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
15. Discussion and or action regarding salary scale – Mayor Blankenship stated that Councilman Oxley had asked that the scale be put back on the agenda but he was not here to discuss it. Councilman Meador moved to work on the salary scale after the first six months of the next fiscal year. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
16. Discussion and or action regarding city drug testing – Council discussed the policy and asked that we get public comment on it and bring it back to the next meeting.
17. Adjournment – Councilman Basham moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Meador 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