



**Acts of
City Council of Hinton
Regular Meeting
Tuesday September, 15 2015
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 Pat Jordan, and Councilwoman Roberta Sorg were present. Councilman Larry Meador attended by teleconference. City Manager Cris Meadows and City Attorney Richard Gunnoe were also in attendance. Councilman Bob Basham was absent due to an illness.
2. Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance – Cris Meadows led the prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of Agenda – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
4. Approval of Minutes- Councilman Meador moved to approve the minutes of the August 2015 regular city council meeting. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion. 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. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
6. Approval of Financial Report August 2015 and Levy order– Cris presented the financial report and also stated that the levy was up this year and he would run it in January. Councilman Meador moved to approve the financial report and the levy election. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
7. Approval of building permits – Councilman Meador moved to approve the building permits. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion. The motion passed on a vote of 3-0. Councilman Jordan abstained from voting on his permit.
8. Appearance of Citizens – none appeared
9. Discussion and or action regarding trees– Councilwoman Sorg stated the she believed all the trees in the streetscape needed to be cut down and replaced with a smaller more ornamental tree. These trees were planted about 1984 and have a normal lifespan of about 20-25 years. Some of the trees have cracked the sidewalk and it is a problem that needs addressed. Councilman Meador moved to solicit separate proposals for removal of the trees, repairing of the sidewalks, and replacement of the trees with smaller trees to be selected at a later date and to look for a grant to pay for this. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
10. Discussion and or action regarding purchase of a new police cruiser – Chief Snavelly commented on the need for a new cruiser at a total price of 30,000. Council discussed the need for one and the problems with the engine in the Jeep. Councilman Meador moved to approve the purchase of a police car up to \$32,000. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
11. Discussion and or action regarding property acquisition – Mayor Blankenship asked that for legal purposes the council go into executive session to discuss property acquisition. Councilman Jordan moved to go into executive session to discuss property acquisition. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0. Council returned from executive session and Mayor Blankenship stated that no votes were taken. Mayor Blankenship then asked for a motion for the overlook park on Park Ave to be turned over to the city attorney Richard Gunnoe to handle title issues. Councilman Jordan moved as such. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.
12. Adjournment – Councilman Jordan moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 3-0.

Cris C. Meadows/ City Manager

Joseph M. Blankenship/ Mayor