



**Acts of  
City Council of Hinton  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, April 20, 2021  
7:00 p.m. – City Hall**

1. Call to order/Roll Call – Mayor Jack Scott called the meeting to order, and the record showed that Council President Pat Jordan, Councilman Jim Leslie, Councilman Larry Meador, and Councilwoman Roberta Sorg were all present.
2. Approval of Agenda – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Meador seconded the motion, and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.
3. Approval of Minutes- Councilman Jordan made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.
4. Appearance of Citizens – Kent Bartgis spoke about the property transfer at Hinton Landing and Mayor Scott gave an update on the difficulties in the transfer of property.
5. Department Heads briefs – Public Works Director Billy Dan Gill talked about the clean-up efforts and that he was a couple of days behind but that they were getting a lot of stuff removed from the city. Fire Chief Ray Pivont spoke about a new hydrant being installed at the top of Locust Street. Police Chief Nathan Allen spoke about activity and said they had 124 calls for service and 22 traffic citations along with 29 misdemeanor reports and 9 felony arrests over the last month. The chief also gave a commendation to Officer John Ward for rescuing someone from a house with a gas leak. John entered the house on a well-being check to find the man passed out and he carried him out to safety. He also gave a commendation to Sargent Tad Withrow for entering a burning building which he thought may have been occupied and rescued some family pets. City Manager Cris spoke about the finances of the city. Davie Madison stated that he had given out 1 correction notice and 3 tow stickers. Candice Helms gave a report on the current grants she had been working on. She talked about the playground project, the cleanup near the grades school, a tire collection that had been organized and the grant for the railroad museum roof had been submitted. Attorney Anna Zeigler stated she had sent out 25 letters to property owners with dilapidated property and how they can be taken care of. She is also still working on the water company property. Council also spoke about the need to condemn the James Row Properties.
6. Approval of Paid March Invoices – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the paid invoices for March 2021. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.
7. Approval of March 2021 Financial report – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the March 2021 Financial Report, Councilman Meador seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.
8. Approval of levy rates 2021-2022 – Cris read the levy rates and stated that these were the same rates that they had been using for the last 18 years. Councilman Jordan moved to

adopt the levy rates as presented. Councilman Meador seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.

9. Approval of hiring pool workers – Mayor Scott stated that they were still taking applications for these positions and that this would have to be done at a later date.
10. Approval of Committee appointment to the building commission- Cris stated that he had discussed with Lee Pivont the appointment and he had agreed to serve. Councilman Jordan moved to appoint Lee Pivont to the Building commission for a 4-year term. Councilman Meador seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5.0
11. Approval of Project prioritization – Cris stated this was a list of projects that the council would be seeking funding for in the coming year and would be listed by Region Planning and development council in order of importance. Council discussed and then decided on the following order. CSO Long Term control plan, River Access Improvements, Warehouse District revitalization, elimination of blighted areas, and Streetscape improvements.
12. Mayors report- Mayor Scott discussed the ARH will become a sponsor of the fitness center under a 5-year agreement. The CSO project will now be bid in the fall with an anticipated start date of spring 2022. We have ordered a projector and large screen for outdoor movies and events. He also thanked Councilman Jordan and Steve Pack for all of their work on the tree project.
13. Report on progress of the icehouse project – Andy stated that they have begun working on getting the site into the voluntary remediation program.
14. Adjournment – Councilman Leslie moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion, and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.

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Cris C. Meadows/ City Manager

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Jack L. Scott/ Mayor