



**Acts of
City Council of Hinton
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 20, 2019
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 Jack Scott, Councilman Meador, Councilman Pat Jordan, and Councilwoman Roberta Sorg were present.
2. Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance – Cris Meadows led the prayer and pledge.
3. Approval of Agenda – Councilman Meador moved to approve the agenda. Councilman Scott 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 July regular meeting. Councilman Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.
5. Approval of Paid Invoices – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the paid invoices. Councilman Meador seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.
6. Approval of Resolution for car financing – Councilman Meador moved to approve the financing for the police cars. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.
7. The Appearance of Citizens – Ken Adkins invited the council to a program on the 10th about drug awareness and how to combat the problem in our community. Council thanked Ken for his efforts and said they would make an effort to get the word out about the program.
8. Acceptance of grant award from WVAWC – Jason Grose spoke about a grant awarded to the fire department in the amount of \$986.00 for portable scene lights.
9. Discussion Regarding the CDBG grant application for sewer project - Jeff Raines from Region One spoke about the application for \$1,500,000. Design completion should finish around December 2019 and if awarded construction would begin about September 2020 with an estimated completion date of mid-2021. Councilman Scott moved to proceed with the grant application process. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion was approved on a vote of 4-0.
10. Discussion regarding a grant for code enforcement training – Cris stated he was pre-approved for a grant for training for our code enforcement official and the council agreed to accept it and also to get training for our police officer and possibly Billy Gills asbestos certification is allowed.
11. Discussion regarding the transfer of the ice plant property- Cris stated that the current situation of the property is that the city is ineligible for grants to clean up the property due to the fact they purchased it without getting a phase one study on it first. Council discussed having NRGRDA and WV Brownfields come in and explain the process to them.
12. Discussion and or action regarding an audit for 2017-2018 – Mayor Blankenship stated that the city had another good audit with no findings. Council thanked Cris for another good job and Cris stated that the audit was a little later this year than usual due to circumstances not involving the city. Councilman Scott moved to accept the audit as presented for the 2017-2018 year. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0.
13. Discussion and or action regarding annexation – Council discussed annexation of surrounding areas bordering the city. They asked Richard Gunnoe to begin the process of annexation of the bypass, Brooks, Madams Creek, and the Bluestone lake areas. Councilman Scott moved to begin the process of Annexation by minor boundary adjustment on all areas discussed. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0.
14. Discussion and or action regarding personnel – Councilwoman Sorg moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel. Councilman Scott seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0. Council returned from executive session noting no decisions were made.

15. Councilwoman Sorg moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Scott seconded the motion, and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0.

Cris C. Meadows/ City Manager

Joseph M. Blankenship/ Mayor