



**Acts of
City Council of Hinton
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, February 16, 2021
7:00 p.m. -- Zoom**

1. Call to order/Roll Call – Mayor Jack Scott called the virtual 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 Meador made a motion to approve the January regular meeting minutes. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0. Councilman Meador moved to approve the minutes of the canvassing meeting with a correction. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0.
4. Appearance of Citizens – Ryan Blair from WVU spoke about his project in Hinton and that he was working on a master plan for the Commercial Ave area.
5. Department Heads briefs – Public Works Director Billy Dan Gill discussed the issue with a culvert near 16th Ave and possible costs of fixing it. Police Chief Nathan Allen spoke about activity and said they had 68 calls for service and 18 traffic citations along with 8 misdemeanor reports over the last month. Cris spoke about working with a film director for a possible movie shoot in Hinton and that a company would be in town the next two weeks doing 3 demolitions. Davie Madison stated that he had given out 9 correction notices and he has been checking on street lights that are out.
6. Approval of Paid January Invoices – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the paid invoices for January 2021. Councilman Meador seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.
7. Approval of January 2021 Financial report – Councilman Leslie moved to approve the January 2021 Financial Report, Councilman Meador seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.
8. Mayors report- Mayor Scott discussed the Hinton community plan presentation that he presented in Charleston to the governor's staff. This was intended to showcase Hinton for the WVU remote worker grant program and raise funding for our outdoor recreation plan. He also discussed meeting with the Corps to discuss the same plan and ask for their help when renovating the park and other areas around the river. He also discussed with council his recommendation for an urban planner and finding a consultant who specializes in small town development and is working on putting this into next years budget. He said the CSO project is behind due to permitting issue and they will not be starting until about six months later than the predictions. He mentioned setting paving priorities and working on the streetscape.
9. Report from legal counsel – Anna spoke about the home rule draft that her and Cris have been working on. Council stated they think they need a special meeting to discuss it. Anna

also mentioned the Dilapidated structures ordinance and the benefits she thinks the city will notice from its adoption.

10. Report on progress of the icehouse project – Andrew Davis stated that today's visit was cancelled but that they were on the site last Friday and did a walkaround on the property. They also started the process of putting the property into the Voluntary Remediation program.
11. Discussion regarding depot/Amtrak – council discussed the current construction at the depot and the need for parking there. They also discussed the need for a rental car or taxi service there and the possible promotion of travel from big cities to here for the weekend.
12. Discussion regarding farmers market- Council discussed the need for the farmers market and wanting to be more involved with it and the hopes of moving it back downtown in the future.
13. Approval of second reading and adoption of the dilapidated structure ordinance- Anna stated that she made the changes that Council discussed they would like the hearings to be conducted by the Municipal Judge instead of City Council and using the Unsafe building commission instead of another committee. Councilman Meador moved to dispense with the reading of the ordinance and approve the second reading of the ordinance. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0. Council stated that the ordinance was effective on passage.
14. Adjournment – Councilman Meador moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion, and the motion passed on a vote of 5-0.

Cris C. Meadows/ City Manager

Jack L. Scott/ Mayor