

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
THURSDAY, MAY 8, 2025, at 6:00 P.M.**

The Hampton City Council Regular Session Meeting was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor Steve Birdsall at 6:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were James Davies, Bill Holmstrom, Jerre Grefe, Barry Lamos and Patrick Palmer. Bill Hodge was absent. Also present were City Manager Ron Dunt, Police Chief Mark Morrison, and Public Works Director Doug Tarr. Mayor Birdsall invited those present to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag. Mayor Birdsall called for a motion to **approve the agenda**. Motion by Palmer, second by Grefe to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

The Mayor read the **City Leadership Statement**.

**Council Workshop Report:** No workshop was held.

**Public Comment:** There was no public comment.

**Public Hearing:** None.

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** Consider awarding **Image of Pride for May 2025 to Larry and Darlene Spear** for property located at 220 6<sup>th</sup> Ave NE. Motion by Holmstrom, second by Palmer to award Image of Pride for May 2025 to Larry and Darlene Spear for property located at 220 6<sup>th</sup> Ave NE. Motion approved unanimously.

Suzy Knipfel, Library Director, **updated the council on various library activities**, past and future programs and pending legislation that could impact the library.

Consider renewal of **Wellmark Health insurance for FY26, EBS TPA Service Agreement and IGHCP Consulting agreement**. Motion by Grefe, second by Lamos to approve renewal of Wellmark Health insurance for FY26, EBS TPA Service Agreement and IGHCP Consulting agreement Motion approved unanimously.

Discuss and consider **employee health insurance contribution for FY26**. Motion by Lamos, second by Davies to keep the employee health insurance contribution at 13% for FY26. Motion approved unanimously.

**Approval of claims.** Motion by Davies, second by Lamos to approve the **claims as submitted by Staff** in the amount of \$119,401.94. Motion approved unanimously.

**Consideration of Approval and Adoption of the Ordinances/Resolutions:** Chief Morrison presented the **second reading of Ordinance 406: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 56, DANGEROUS AND VICIOUS ANIMALS**. Motion by Palmer, second by Davies to approve the second reading of Ordinance 406. Discussion by Council. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Davies, Grefe, and Palmer; Nays: Lamos and Holmstrom. Absent: Hodge. Motion failed. The Ordinance will continue to be discussed at the next council workshop.

**Consent Agenda: Mayor Birdsall presented the consent agenda.** Motion by Lamos, second by Grefe to approve previous minutes as drafted from the Thursday, April 24, 2025 Regular Session; schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday; May 22, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers. Motion approved unanimously.

**Staff Reports** given by Police Chief Mark Morrison.

**Council Reports** given by Davies, Holmstrom, Palmer and Grefe.

**Mayor's Report** given by Mayor Birdsall.

**Motion to adjourn** by Palmer, second by Grefe at 6:41pm. Motion approved unanimously.

Attest:

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Ron Dunt, City Manager

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Mayor Steve Birdsall