

**HAMPTON CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2026, at 6:00 P.M.**

The Hampton City Council Regular Session Meeting was called to order at the Hampton City Council Chambers by Mayor Birdsall at 6:00 p.m. Council members in attendance were James Davies, Jeanne Fay, Jerre Grefe, Bill Holmstrom and Barry Lamos. Kristin Roode was absent. Also present were City Manager Ron Dunt and 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 requested Resolution 2026-05 be moved directly following the public hearing on the Airport Fuel Farm Project and called for a motion to **approve the agenda**. Motion by Lamos, second by Holmstrom to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

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

Council Workshop Report: The Mayor presented Council Workshop Report from the April 20, 2026.

Public Comment: Sarah Kolb and Jim Meyer each spoke regarding the Ordinance 410.

Public Hearing: The Mayor opened the public hearing on the Plans, Specs, form of contract, and estimated cost for Hampton Municipal Airport Construct Fuel Farm Project at 6:17 pm. Carl Byers from Bolton & Menk reviewed the details. There were no written objections made. Mayor Birdsall called for any oral objections and none were made. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 6:21.

The council considered **Resolution 2026-05: RESOLUTION ACCEPTING BID AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF CONTRACT, CONTINGENT UPON THE RECEIPT AND EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION AND APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL AVIATION FUNDING ASSISTANCE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CONSTRUCT FUEL FARM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AT THE HAMPTON MUNICIPAL AIRPORT IN HAMPTON, IOWA**. Motion by Lamos, Second by Davies to approve Resolution 2026-05. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Holmstrom, Lamos, Fay, Davies, and Grefe. Nays: None. Absent: Roode. Resolution passed.

The Mayor opened the **public hearing in regard to the FY27 Budget at 6:26 pm**. City Manager Dunt reviewed the details. There were no written objections made. Mayor Birdsall called for oral objections and none were made. Mayor Birdsall closed the public hearing at 6:28 pm.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Councilperson Grefe presented her nomination for **the APRIL 2026 Image of Pride**. Motion by Grefe, second by Fay to award the April 2026 Image of Pride to Kimberly Vargas for property located at 714 1st St NE. Motion approved unanimously.

City Manager Dunt presented the **grant contract with Iowa Economic Development Authority for 2026 Community Catalyst and Building Remediation Grant (26-CTBF-EMERG-18) – 4 1st St. NW**. Motion to approve by Davies, second by Holmstrom. Motion approved unanimously.

City Manager Dunt presented information on the FY26 budget amendment. Motion by Fay, second by Grefe to set Thursday, May 28, 2026 at 6:00 pm as the date and time for **Public Hearing on the FY26 budget amendment and authorize staff to publish notice**. Motion approved unanimously.

Approval of claims. Motion by Lamos, second by Grefe to approve the **claims as submitted by Staff** in the amount of \$453,945.97. Motion approved unanimously.

Consideration of Approval and Adoption of the Ordinances/Resolutions: City Manager Dunt presented **Ordinance 410: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 55 OF THE HAMPTON CITY CODE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDING REGULATIONS REGARDING THE KEEPING OF CHICKENS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS** (third and final reading). The council discussed the Ordinance. Motion by Grefe, second by Holmstrom to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 410. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Fay, Holmstrom, and Grefe. Nays: Lamos and Davies. Absent: Roode. **Motion failed 3-2 vote.** Needed 4 Ayes to pass.

The council **did not consider Resolution 2026-04 A RESOLUTION SETTING PERMIT FEES FOR KEEPING OF CHICKENS** since Ordinance 410 did not pass.

The council then considered Resolution 2026-06 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2027. Motion by Lamos, second by Holmstrom to approve Resolution 2026-06. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Holmstrom, Grefe, Fay, Davies and Lamos. Nays: None. Absent: Roode. Resolution 2026-06 passed.

Consent Agenda: Mayor Birdsall presented the consent agenda. Motion by Lamos, second by Fay to approve the Consent Agenda and the following items: approve previous minutes as drafted from Thursday, April 9, 2026 Regular Session; schedule the next Regular Session for Thursday, May 14, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at the Hampton City Council Chambers. Motion approved unanimously.

Staff Reports given by Police Chief Morrison Public Works Director Tarr and City Manager Dunt.

Council Reports given by Lamos, Davies, Holmstrom, Grefe, and Fay.

Mayor's Report given by Mayor Birdsall.

Motion to adjourn by Fay, second by Holmstrom at 7:17 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.

Attest:

Ron Dunt, City Manager

Mayor Steve Birdsall