

CITY OF HOOKS

June 21, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

Mayor Reiter	Present	Councilperson Wright	Present
Councilperson Felty	Present	Councilperson Cannon (Present after Appointment)	
Councilperson Phillips	Present	Councilperson Murchison	Present

1. The Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor, Marc Reiter at 6:03 PM and all Council Members were present.
2. The Invocation was led by Judge Lester Colley and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilperson Wright.
3. Consent Agenda Items-Motion was made by Councilperson Murchison and seconded by Councilperson Wright to approve the consent agenda items as presented. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.
4. Open Forum/Public Comments- N/A.
5. Mayor Pro Tempore-Mayor Reiter asked the Council if there were any nominees for the Mayor Pro Tempore. With no one speaking, Mayor Reiter nominated Councilperson Felty to be considered for the Mayor Pro Tempore position. No other discussion was needed. Motion was made by Mayor Reiter and seconded by Councilperson Murchison to have Councilperson William Felty as the new Mayor Pro Tempore.
6. Waste Collection Services-Mayor Reiter updated the Council Chambers on the waste collection services. He also thanked each company for the time they put in and the interest in our City. Councilperson Wright motioned to continue with Waste Management. Mayor Reiter then asks for a second. No Councilperson seconds. Councilperson Murchison motioned to move to a new company of Ameri-Tex. Mayor Reiter receives a second from Councilperson Felty. With no further discussion, Mayor Reiter asks for a vote. Two Council Members voted against Ameri-Tex, Phillips and Wright with two voting for Ameri-Tex, Felty and Murchison. With a tie in place, the Mayor Reiter was the deciding vote. His vote was for Ameri-Tex to win the Waste Collection Contract. Motion passed to have the new company, Ameri-Tex be the City of Hooks new Waste Collection Service.
7. Council Place 4- Mayor thanked those who were present who showed interest in being on the Council. Councilperson Wright nominated Janell Cannon to be the Council Place 4 position. He mentioned her outstanding resume and live long resident of Hooks was a plus for him. No other nominations were presented, therefore, Mayor Reiter asked for a second. He received a second from Councilperson Phillips. Motion was made by Councilperson Wright to nominate and appoint Janell Cannon as the Council Place 4 position and was seconded by Councilperson Phillips. Motion was carried with a 3 to 1 vote with Councilpersons, Murchison, Phillips, and Wright voting for and Councilperson Felty voting against.
8. Oaths of Offices- Judge Lester Colley administered the oaths of offices to Council Place 4, Janell Cannon. No action was taken.
9. Vision-City Secretary was asked to ask council to add vision to the City's Health Insurance. The City has not had vision before. The options were presented to Council. Motion was made by Councilperson Phillips and seconded by Councilperson Felty to not approve to have Vision but to approve the Vision Option be discussed during budget time. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.

10. Ordinance 21-06-21 (Deposits)-Mayor Reiter explained the need to increase the deposits for new customers coming in. He stated we are losing money if we do not raise the deposits. Councilperson Phillips agreed we needed to increase but wanted to see different amounts. Councilperson Phillips motioned to change the amounts listed from renters of 250 to 175 and owners of 200 to 125. All other members agreed. Motion was made by Councilperson Phillips and seconded by Councilperson Wright to approve this Ordinance with the change of wording to match the 175 for renters and 125 for owners. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.
  
11. RFP (Requests for Proposals) for Administration Services for the Planning Grant-Council discussed this grant very little. Mr. Keith Payne with Grantworks discussed this two meetings prior. This is needed to start the proposals. Motion was made by Councilperson Phillips and seconded by Councilperson Felty to issue the RFP for the administration services for the Planning and capacity Grant administered by TDA. Motion was carried by unanimous vote.
  
12. FEMA Fire Truck Grant-Chief Whitehurst was not able to attend due to work. He asked to table. Council agreed to table.
  
13. Buddy Shelton- Buddy Shelton was a no show. Council tabled this item.
  
14. Fiscal Year Audit 2020- Christopher Turner was not quiet ready and asked to table this until next month.
  
15. Adjournment- With no further discussion, Mayor Reiter considers adjournment. Motion was made by Councilperson Phillips and seconded by Councilperson Felty to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:30PM

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Mayor, Marc Reiter

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City Secretary, Andria Whitehurst