

January 15, 2013  
Work Session

**MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION of CITY COUNCIL HELD JANUARY 15, 2013**

A Work Session of the City Council, of the City of Hopewell, Virginia was held Tuesday, January 15, 2013, at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 300 North Main Street, Hopewell, Virginia.

PRESENT:

Michael C. Bujakowski, Mayor  
Jasmine E. Gore, Vice Mayor  
Roosevelt Edwards, Councilor  
K. Wayne Walton, Councilor  
Brenda S. Pelham, Councilor  
Jackie M. Shornak, Councilor

Edwin C. Daley, City Manager  
David C. Fratarcangelo, City Attorney  
Cynthia Y. Ames, City Clerk

ABSENT: Christina Luman-Bailey, Councilor

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Bujakowski opened the meeting at 6:30 PM. Roll call was taken as follows :

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| Mayor Bujakowski       | - present                       |
| Vice Mayor Gore        | - present                       |
| Councilor Luman-Bailey | - absent (arrived at 7:04 p.m.) |
| Councilor Edwards      | - present                       |
| Councilor Walton       | - present                       |
| Councilor Pelham       | - present                       |
| Councilor Shornak      | - present                       |

**R-1 REGULAR BUSINESS – FINANCIAL UPDATE – PRESENTATION BY DAVENPORT AND ASSOCIATES**

Financial Advisor, Mr. Sanderson from Davenport and Associates discussed key points involving: issuance of approximately \$3 - 4 million (conservatively \$4 million), of debt to fund the Communications System Project; the impact of both equalization and not equalizing the Real Estate Tax Rate, at the next assessment; a strategic restructuring; and issuance of \$4 - \$5 million for a Public Safety Building.

**R-2 REGULAR BUSINESS – STRATEGIC PLANNING**

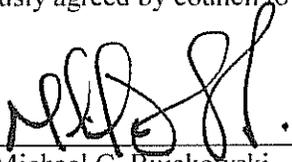
At 8:05 p.m. Vice Mayor Gore, discussed having “Town Hall” meetings. The idea to send flyers, ask citizens for top goals, find general locations for meetings, find facilitators if possible, hand out questionnaires, gather information from Boards and Commissions, and Directors. The council unanimously agreed with the idea.

**R-3 REGULAR BUSINESS –2013 PRIORITIES GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

At 8:50 p.m. council unanimously agreed to table until the impact of the “Town Hall” meetings with the citizens, questionnaires and all other information is tabulated.

**ADJOURN**

At 9:00 p.m. **motion** was made by Councilor Walton, and seconded by Councilor Edwards, and unanimously agreed by council to adjourn the meeting.

  
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Michael C. Bujakowski , Mayor

  
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Cynthia Y. Ames, City Clerk