

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 19, 2023 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City of Hopewell City Council held a Special Council Meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 6:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 300 North Main Street, Hopewell, Virginia.

PRESENT: Jasmine E. Gore, Vice Mayor (Ward 4)
Rita Joyner, Councilor (Ward 1)
Michael B. Harris, Councilor (Ward 2)
Janice B. Denton, Councilor (Ward 5)
Brenda S. Pelham, Councilor (Ward 6)
Dominic R. Holloway, Sr, Councilor (Ward 7)

STAFF: Danielle Ferguson Smith, City Attorney
Dr. Concetta Manker, City Manager
Alyson Reyna, City Clerk Pro Tem

ABSENT: Johnny Partin, Mayor (Ward 3)

Vice Mayor Gore called the meeting to order at 6:32.

CLOSED SESSION

Councilor Holloway motioned to go into closed session. The motion was seconded by Councilor Pelham, pursuant to Va. Code Sections § 2.2-3711 (A) to discuss and consider potential business contracts for Risk Assessment and Compliance Audit Services.

Roll Call:

Vice Mayor Gore	-	yes
Councilor Joyner	-	yes
Councilor Harris	-	yes
Councilor Denton	-	yes
Councilor Pelham	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes

Motion Passed: 6-0

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

At 9:14 P.M. Councilor Holloway motioned to come out of closed session, and was seconded by Councilor Pelham.

Roll Call:

Vice Mayor Gore	-	yes
Councilor Joyner	-	yes

Councilor Harris - yes
Councilor Denton - yes
Councilor Pelham - yes
Councilor Holloway - yes

Motion Passed: 6-0

REGULAR BUSINESS

Dr. Concetta Manker presented the Group Violent Intervention (GVI) Meeting / Ceasefire Report Out. Dr. Manker stated that Councilor Joyner and Councilor Holloway attended a meeting with Real Life, on the discussion topics of potential partnership, roll-out for Operation Ceasefire, and future receipt of a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to be reviewed by the Council. The meeting also detailed how the City of Hopewell would participate, number of partners in the community, and division of labor into quarters.

The first quarter would include problem analysis and board development. The second quarter would shift the focus to training, the third quarter, beginning around June 1, 2023, is the target goal to have the first two quarters of framework in place. Quarter four will be the adoption and institution of these strategies and integrated into the community.

Vice Mayor Gore asked the Council if there are any questions regarding Dr. Manker's report out, received no response, and asked if there is a motion to adjourn. Councilor Holloway called the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilor Denton.

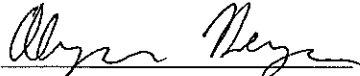
Roll Call:


Councilor Holloway - yes
Vice Mayor Gore - yes
Councilor Harris - yes
Councilor Denton - yes
Councilor Pelham - yes
Councilor Joyner - yes

Motion Passed: 6-0

ADJOURN

By rule of Council, this meeting ended at 9:21 P.M.


Alyson Reyna, Clerk Pro Tem


Johnny Partin, Mayor