



**Acts of  
City Council of Hinton  
Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, November 19, 2019  
7:00 p.m. -- Hinton City Hall**

1. Call to order/Roll Call – Mayor Joe Blankenship called the meeting to order, and the record showed that Councilman Jack Scott, Councilman Pat Jordan, Councilman Larry Meador, and Councilwoman Roberta Sorg were present.
2. Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance – Cris Meadows led the prayer and pledge.
3. Approval of Agenda – Councilman Meador moved to approve the agenda. Councilwoman Sorg seconded the motion, and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0.
4. Approval of Minutes- Councilwoman Sorg made a motion to approve both the minutes from the regular October meeting and the special meeting. Councilman Meador seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.
5. Approval of Paid Invoices – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the paid invoices. Councilman Meador seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.
6. Approval of financial report – Councilman Jordan moved to approve the October 2019 financial report. Councilman Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.
7. The Appearance of Citizens – Shalom Tazewell spoke to the council about the need to evaluate HUD houses and gave council a proposal from the Alliance for housing safety. Patti Crawford spoke about how housing affects the social determinants of health and how homelessness is becoming an issue. Ryne Nydohil spoke about our housing issues and how important they are to keeping our young people here.
8. Discussion and or action regarding the Hardwoods Building – Cris stated that the auction of the equipment at the building was last week and raised only \$6,000 from the contents of the building. Cris then presented a proposal from Main Street Builders to repair the roof. Councilman Jordan moved to go into executive session to discuss legal matters involving the building. Councilman Meador seconds and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0. Council returned from the executive session stating no decisions were made.
9. Discussion and or action regarding Batteau Beach – Mayor Blankenship read a letter from the WVDOH about how property is transferred and council discussed the need for the property and all of the steps it will take to get it.
10. Discussion and or action regarding Holiday hours – Councilman Scott moved to close all day on December 31<sup>st</sup>. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0. Councilman Meador moved to approve the Holiday schedule for 2020 as presented by the city manager including any other day as so decided by the Governor. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0.
11. Discussion and or action regarding holiday duty pay – Councilman Meador moved to approve holiday duty pay of \$500 for fulltime employees and \$250 for part-time employees. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0.
12. Discussion regarding tech center – Councilman Scott moved to go into executive session to discuss legal matters. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0. Council returned from the executive session stating no decisions were made.
13. Discussion regarding Annexation – The council discussed the various forms of annexation and what areas might be good additions to the city.
14. Discussion regarding Home Rule applications – The council discussed the many changes that could be made with the home rule application and the addition of the sales tax and on-site citations for trash. Cris stated he would put together some of the other cities' plans and get that information to the council so they could begin evaluating what is needed for the best interest of the citizens.
15. Councilwoman Sorg moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Jordan seconded the motion, and the motion passed on a vote of 4-0.

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Cris C. Meadows/ City Manager

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Joseph M. Blankenship/ Mayor