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# CITY OF HAMLET REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING HAMLET CITY HALL- COUNCIL CHAMBERS 201 MAIN STREET, HAMLET, NC 28345 TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2025 6:00 PM

**Minutes** 

#### **Governing Body Present:**

Mayor Amy Guinn
Council Member Eddie Martin
Council Member Oscar Sellers
Council Member Tony Clewis
Council Member Maurice Stuart

#### **Staff Present:**

City Manager John Terziu

Assistant City Mgr. Mackenzie Webb City Attorney TC Morphis City Clerk Heather Hawks

## **Others Present:**

#### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Guinn called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

## 2. Adoption of Agenda

Council Member Stuart motioned to adopt the agenda. Council Member Clewis provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

# 3. Consent Agenda

Council Member Clewis made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda, Council Member Stuart provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 4. Comments from Attendees

Esco Latimer stated the next Hwy 74 clean up would be June 28<sup>th</sup> at 7am. He also thanked City Council and administration for their support.

Council Member Stuart thanked Maurice Mclaurin for his great work with our parks and honored him with a plaque from South Hamlet Community Church.

Don Norton stated our website says wetlands can be maintained and trees cut.

Gerard Morrison stated AARP meeting is this Saturday at 10am at the Senior Center and June 19<sup>th</sup> is Juneteenth.

Gretta Rogers asked about her road being repaired and about the house next to her that has a nuisance sign in the yard.

#### **New Business**

#### 5. Consider adoption of the proposed FY25-26 Budget and Budget Ordinance

Mayor Guinn opened the public hearing for comments.

City Manager Terziu asked council if there were any questions or if the public had comments about the budget.

Gerard Morrison stated he would love a wall of fame for J. Kenneth Lee and others in our community to show our appreciation to them.

Mayor Guinn closed the public hearing.

Council Member Clewis made a motion to accept the FY25-26 budget as presented, Council Member Martin provided the second. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Other Business**

#### 6. City Manager's Report

City Manager Terziu gave several updates including the RCC agreement for the SRO has been finalized, the sewer repair on Oak/McKinnon is complete, Amazon will be a historic opportunity for Hamlet, and we have 2 outstanding permits for the water treatment plant and wastewater treatment plant we are waiting on.

#### 7. Comments of Council

Council Member Martin encouraged citizens to come support American Legion baseball stating the next games are June 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

Council Member Sellers thanked attendees for coming and hoped Robert Brown's wife would recover soon.

Council Member Clewis reminded everyone about Fourth of July activities on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Council Member Stuart thanked attendees and reminded everyone that June 19<sup>th</sup> is Juneteenth. He wished all fathers a Happy Father's Day and stated June is Men's Health Awareness Month.

#### 8. Mayor's Comments

Mayor Guinn Friday is our Crimestoppers event from 4-7pm and its Food Truck Friday, Junes 20<sup>th</sup> is our first movie night at 8:30 pm, and Fourth of July will be celebrated on July 3<sup>rd</sup> starting at 6:30 pm.

# 9. Motion to go into Closed Session per NCGS § 143-318.11 (a)(3)(6) for attorney-client privilege and personnel.

At 6:27 pm, Council Member Clewis motioned, seconded by Council Member Sellers to go into closed session for attorney-client privilege and personnel. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Return to Open Session**

At 7:30 pm, Council Member Clewis motioned to return to Open Session, seconded by Council Member Stuart. The motion passed unanimously.

# 10. Motion to Adjourn

Council Member Martin motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Covington to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously at 7:30 pm.