

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 6, 2019 SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

A special meeting of the Hopewell City Council was held Thursday, June 6, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Municipal Building, 300 North Main Street, Hopewell, Virginia.

PRESENT: Jasmine E. Gore, Mayor, Ward 4
Patience Bennett, Vice Mayor, Ward 7 (arrived at 8:08 p.m.)
Deborah Randolph, Councilor, Ward 1
Arlene Holloway, Councilor, Ward 2
John B. Partin, Jr., Councilor, Ward 3
Janice B. Denton, Councilor, Ward 5 (arrived at 6:07 p.m.)
Brenda Pelham, Councilor, Ward 6

Faith Alejandro of Sands Anderson PC, City Attorney
Ronnieye L. Arrington, City Clerk

ABSENT: John M. Altman, Jr., City Manager

ROLL CALL

Mayor Gore opened the meeting at 6:03 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

Mayor Gore	-	present
Vice Mayor Bennett	-	absent (arrived at 8:08 p.m.)
Councilor Randolph	-	present
Councilor Partin	-	present
Councilor Holloway	-	present
Councilor Denton	-	absent (arrived at 6:07 p.m.)
Councilor Pelham	-	present

CLOSED MEETING

At 6:06 p.m., Councilor Randolph moved to go into closed meeting for consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by city council regarding specific legal matters (interpretation of Virginia Code § 22.1-100) requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, in accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-3711 (A) (8). Mayor Gore seconded the motion. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Councilor Partin	-	yes
Mayor Gore	-	yes
Councilor Denton	-	----
Councilor Pelham	-	yes
Vice Mayor Bennett	-	----
Councilor Randolph	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes

Motion passed 5-0

At 7:30, Council continued its closed meeting and joined the School Board in their closed meeting. Council relocated its closed meeting to 103 N. 12th Avenue, Hopewell, Virginia.

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Roll Call

At 7:36 p.m., the Mayor requested a roll call:

Mayor Gore	-	present
Councilor Denton	-	present
Councilor Pelham	-	present
Vice Mayor Bennett	-	absent (arrived at 8:08 p.m.)
Councilor Randolph	-	present
Councilor Holloway	-	present
Councilor Partin	-	present

City Council and the School Board held a joint closed meeting.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

At 8:46 p.m. Council returned to the dais and responded to the question pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3712 (D): were only public business matters (I) lawfully exempted from open-meeting requirements and (II) identified in the closed-meeting motion discussed in closed meeting? Upon the roll call, the responses resulted:

Mayor Gore	-	yes
Councilor Denton	-	yes
Councilor Pelham	-	yes
Vice Mayor Bennett	-	yes
Councilor Randolph	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes
Councilor Partin	-	yes

ADJOURN

At 8:47 p.m., Councilor Denton moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Partin seconded the motion. All councilors present responded “aye” to the question, and the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Jasmine E. Gore
Jasmine E. Gore, Mayor

/s/ Ronnieye L. Arrington
Ronnieye L. Arrington, City Clerk