Regular Meeting June 29, 2021

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD JUNE 29, 2021

An electronic (Zoom) meeting of the City Council of the City of Hopewell, Virginia, was held on Tuesday, June 29, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Bennett opened the meeting at 6:30 p.m., and rill call was taken as follows:

PRESENT:	Patience A. Bennett, Mayor, Ward 7 John B. Partin, Vice Mayor, Ward 3 Deborah Randolph, Councilor, Ward 1 Arlene Holloway, Councilor, Ward 2 Janice B. Denton, Councilor, Ward 5 Benda S. Pelham, Councilor, Ward 6
ABSENT:	Jasmine Gore, Councilor, Ward 4
	John M. Altman, Jr., City Manager Sandra Robinson, City Attorney Mollie P. Bess, Acting City Clerk

Motion made by Councilor Denton and seconded by Vice Mayor Partin to move into closed meeting pursuant to Va. Code Sections §2.2-3711 (A) (1) to discuss and consider personnel matters, including the City Clerk appointment.

ROLL CALL:	Vice Mayor Partin	-	yes
	Councilor Denton	-	yes
	Councilor Pelham	-	yes
	Mayor Bennett	-	yes
	Councilor Randolph	-	yes
	Councilor Holloway	-	yes
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Motion passes 6-0

RECONVENE INTO OPEN MEETING

Motion to come out of closed session was made by Councilor Pelham and seconded by Vice Mayor Partin.

ROLL CALL:	Vice Mayor Partin	-	yes
	Councilor Denton	-	yes
	Councilor Pelham	-	yes
	Mayor Bennett	-	yes

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Councilor Randolph	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes

Motion passes 6-0

CERTIFICATION

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO VIRGINIA CODE §2.2-3712 (D): Were only public business matters (1) lawfully exempted from open-meeting requirements and (2) identified in the closedmeeting motion discussed in closed meeting?

ROLL CALL:	Vice Mayor Partin	-	yes
	Councilor Denton	-	yes
	Councilor Pelham	-	yes
	Mayor Bennett	-	yes
	Councilor Randolph	-	yes
	Councilor Holloway	-	yes
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Motion passes 6-0

OPEN MEETING

Motion made by Councilor Denton and seconded by Vice Mayor Partin that City Council hire Mollie P. Bess as the Hopewell City Clerk effective July 5, 2021 with the details completed at a later date.

ROLL CALL:	Vice Mayor Partin	-	yes
	Councilor Denton	-	yes
	Councilor Pelham	-	yes
	Mayor Bennett	-	yes
	Councilor Randolph	-	yes
	Councilor Holloway	-	yes
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Motion passes 6-0

ADJOURN

Motion made by Vice Mayor Partin and seconded by Councilor Pelham to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL:	Vice Mayor Partin	-	yes
	Councilor Denton	-	yes
	Councilor Pelham	-	yes

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Mayor Bennett	-	yes
Councilor Randolph	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes

Motion passes 6-0

Meeting adjourned.

Patience Bennett, Mayor Senhe

Mollie Bess, Acting City Clerk