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Mayor Ransom Farley
February 13, 2023 Minutes

Open Session by Mayor Farley
Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Farley
Invocation done by Councilor Alvin Howard

Approval of January 10, 2023 minutes were approved, Councilor Whearley made the motion to approve, Councilor Fields 2nd. Vote unanimous. Councilor Allen absent.

Water/Sewer Report – Heritage Lift Station refurbish almost complete. Well # 3 is scheduled to be replaced. Dump Truck at the plant had some work done, and is fully repaired. 2022 Consumer Confidence Report is being worked on. NPES permit for 2025 approval is in process, normally takes 6 months.

Fire Report - Chief Oliver reported nothing major going on right in the city. He did report about the overdose behind the funeral home. Small calls and false alarms. Tango Tango is up for renewal, \$75 per firefighter.

Maintenance Report – Paving Solutions are scheduled to come out and look at the bad spots of cements around the square. We are also looking to repair the wall and will reach out to a few people. All the lights that were out in Hamilton are now fixed.

Police Report – Mid January reported a thief and burglary at Harris County High School, \$20,000 dollars of copper and other items were stolen. Continue to monitor high traffic volume from the high school. Past 2 weeks they have had 10-12 minor accidents. Mayor and Council rec'd a copy of 2022 Police Annual Report. We had an individual here for a funeral behind Cox Funeral Home who overdosed. Hamilton Police were able to get the individual responsive again. Chief Weiss wants to thank the mayor and council of new purchase for a vehicle to the department.

Councilor Alvin Howard presented Officer Andrea McGhee and Chief Eric Weiss with the Life Saving Award. We would like to congratulate both officers.

Ryck Morales came from Small Business Administration to discuss Disaster Relief program.

Request for street light on 120 Village Court, mayor and council decided not at this time.

Crossing at the Post Office were approved, Councilor Whearley made motion, Councilor Fields 2nd the motion. Vote 4 for 4

Fire Engine Financing was approved, Councilor Fields made motion, Councilor Howard 2nd the motion. Vote unanimous. 4 for 4

Personnel Policy on Holiday pay for employees was approved, Councilor Howard made the motion to approve. If you are active on payroll as part-timer you will get paid regardless whether employee works will get 4 hours. Councilor Fields 2nd the motions. Vote 4 for 4.

When Callaway was established, City of Hamilton had no Planning and Zoning Department. Mayor B. Crye was told he could make the City of Hamilton run up the railroad track. City has been getting revenue from them. When the lounge closed and reopened, they requested zoning, we don't have it zoned. It has to be zoned for alcohol/downtown commercial. It is inside the city limit. It's up to Planning and Zoning to make a recommendation on what to do.

Mayor Ransom Farley

Mayor Pro-Tem Patrick Whearley

Councilor Alvin Howard

absent

Councilor Greg Allen

City Clerk Tonia Crittenden

Councilor William Fields