

**City of Hamilton**  
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**Mayor Patrick Whearley**

May 11, 2026, Council Meeting Minutes

Open Session by Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Howard  
Pledge led by Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Howard  
Invocation by Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Howard

All members except Mayor Patrick Whearley and Councilor Greg Allen were present.

Councilor Wall made the motion to approve the minutes for April 13, 2026. Councilor Fields seconded. Unanimous vote. Approved.

**Fire Report-Absent**

**Police Report-** Chief Weiss gave thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Holloway for providing lunch for the city employees. He also stated that schools are almost out, so traffic in the city should be reduced. Chief expressed his excitement for growth regarding possible infrastructure upgrades for the Hamilton Police Department. He wants all hands on deck and everyone to stay on top as they continue to make and prepare for future plans.

**Streets/Maintenance Report-** Terrence reported that he received a second quote from Sikes Asphalt for the paving project on Walton Street. He is waiting for one more quote for the painting project for City Hall. Overall, everything else is going smoothly.

**Water/Sewer Report-** Ben reported that a new pump and motor have been on back order for well number two. He is hoping that it will arrive next week. Ben also reached out to DNR and the EPD about a new well installation. A site review has been set up for next week for the approval of the location. Due to an unexpected power outage at the wastewater plant, emergency generators were used to make sure the plant would still run smoothly for about 3 to 4 hours until power was restored.

**City-** Rhett reported that the Harris County Commissioners voted 5-0 to become a Purple Heart City. A proclamation will be read on August 8, 2026 on the Harris County Steps. The business luncheon, Under the Magnolias, and the third annual Child Abuse Awareness event were a huge success. Chief Oliver is actively engaged with a past due situation with the fire truck. There is a remaining balance of \$8,000.

**New Business:**

- **Second Saturdays- Humane Society-** Mayor Pro Tem Howard tabled this discussion to the June 8, 2026, meeting.
- **“Under the Magnolias” Festival (proceeds from dunking booth) \$195.00 in cash allocated.** Councilor Wall made the motion to turn proceeds over to the Hamilton Volunteer Fire Department. Councilor Fields seconded. Unanimous vote. Approved.

**FYI/Updates/Housekeeping:**

- May 25<sup>th</sup>- Memorial Day/ City Closure/ Special ceremony 10am hosted by DAR, SAR, American Legion, and VFW at Hamilton Methodist
- June 13- Second Saturdays Relaunch
- Hamilton Juneteenth plans underway
- HC Juneteenth at Harris County Community Center

**Attorney Comments-** Attorney Danley reminded the council that the manifesto is still at a standstill. She advised Council that something needs to be done.

**Adjournment-** Councilor Wall made the motion to adjourn. Council Fields seconded. Unanimous Vote. Approved.

Adjourned.