

**CITY OF HIRAM COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES
Tuesday, May 2, 2023**



Councilmembers in Attendance: Mayor Frank Moran, Mayor Pro Tem Teresa Philyaw, Councilmember Kathy Bookout, Councilmember Melissa R. Bayardelle, Councilmember Derrick Battle, Councilmember Doris Devey.

Staff in Attendance: Jody Palmer, J. Jayson Phillips, Melissa Chosewood Clifford McGrady, Chief Michael Turner, Lieutenant Tyler Third, Sergeant Alexandra Simpkins, Officer Alexis Vasquez, Officer Aundrea Wardlaw, Kathie Stancil, Isabella Orr, Leo Parker.

The Regular Session for May 2, 2023 was called to order by Mayor Frank Moran at 6:00pm in the Municipal Annex.

- Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Clifford McGrady.
- Chief Turner recognized the promotion of Tyler Third to Lieutenant.
- Chief Turner recognized the promotion of Alexandra Simpkins to Sergeant.
- Chief Turner recognized Officer Aundrea Wardlaw as Officer of the Year.
- Mayor Moran administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Alexis Vasquez.
- Mayor Moran read and presented the proclamation for National Historic Preservation Month to David Mitchell.
- Mayor Moran read and presented the Municipal Clerks Week proclamation to Melissa Chosewood and Isabella Orr.

23-047: Councilmember Bayardelle made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2023 Regular Session and the April 25, 2023 Work Session. Councilmember Battle seconded the motion.

Post 1, Philyaw – Yes Post 2, Bookout – Yes
Post 3, Bayardelle – Yes Post 4, Battle – Yes
Post 5, Devey – Yes
Motion passes: 5-0

23-048: Mayor Pro Tem Philyaw made a motion to authorize the renovations/repairs at The Events Place as described in the scope of work discussed at the April 25, 2023 Work Session, by Contractors of West Georgia LLC, the lowest, most responsive bidder, at an amount not to exceed \$56,220.00, plus a contingency amount of \$5,622.00, to be funded by Recreation SPLOST. Councilmember Battle seconded the motion.

Post 1, Philyaw – Yes Post 2, Bookout – Yes
Post 3, Bayardelle – No Post 4, Battle – Yes
Post 5, Devey – Yes
Motion passes: 4-1

23-049: Councilmember Devey made a motion to adopt City-Wide Online Media Policy, as an update to the Employee Handbook. Councilmember Bayardelle seconded the motion.

Post 1, Philyaw – Yes Post 2, Bookout – Yes
Post 3, Bayardelle – Yes Post 4, Battle – Yes
Post 5, Devey – Yes
Motion passes: 5-0

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23-050: Mayor Pro Tem Philyaw made a motion to designate July 1, 2023 as the date for the Red White and Boom Event, and to approve the agreement with Pyro Shows East Coast as the pyrotechnic contractor for the event, in an amount not to exceed \$12,523.00, to be funded by Hotel Motel Fund. Councilmember Battle seconded the motion.

Post 1, Philyaw – Yes Post 2, Bookout – Yes
Post 3, Bayardelle – Yes Post 4, Battle – Yes
Post 5, Devey – Yes
Motion passes: 5-0

- Discussed requirements for the Summer Camp fire detection system.

23-051: Mayor Pro Tem Philyaw made a motion to approve the purchase and installation of a fire monitoring system at 76 Seaboard Street (Summer Camp) by COMSEC Systems, in an amount not to exceed \$15,643.00, to be funded by Recreation SPLOST. Councilmember Devey seconded the motion.

Post 1, Philyaw – Yes Post 2, Bookout – Yes
Post 3, Bayardelle – Yes Post 4, Battle – Yes
Post 5, Devey – Yes
Motion passes: 5-0

- No Visitor Business.
- Mayor Moran mentioned upcoming Events:
 - May 13: Budget Work Session at 9AM in the Municipal Annex
 - May 16: Career Fair from 10AM-3PM at The Events Place
 - May 16: Planter Box re-planting at 9AM on Beatty Street
 - May 30: Work Session at 6pm in the Municipal Annex
- Mayor Pro Tem Philyaw stated that she was very proud of the Hiram Police Department officers.
- Councilmember Bayardelle mentioned upcoming Events:
 - May 4: Leadership Paulding Graduation lunch at Greystone Power at 11am
 - May 6: McKenna Farms Derby Day at 4:30PM
 - May 10: Paulding Chamber Golf Tournament at 8:30AM
 - May 11: Governmental Affairs Meeting at 8:30AM at the Paulding Chamber
 - May 6: Community Inclusion Celebration Day at Paulding County High School at 10AM

23-052: Councilmember Battle made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session. Councilmember Bayardelle seconded the motion.

Post 1, Philyaw – Yes Post 2, Bookout – Yes
Post 3, Bayardelle – Yes Post 4, Battle – Yes
Post 5, Devey – Yes
Motion passes: 5-0

Melina Chasewood
City Clerk
Approved: June 6, 2023