

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

City of Hillsdale  
 November 13, 2017  
 City Council Chambers  
 8:00 P.M.

## Special Meeting

**Roll Call**

Mayor Scott Sessions called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

Council Members present:                    Scott M. Sessions, Mayor  
    Adam Stockford, Ward 1  
    Brian Watkins, Ward 1  
    William Morrissey, Ward 2  
    Bruce Sharp, Ward 3  
    William Zeiser, Ward 3  
    Matthew Bell, Ward 4

Council Members absent:                    Timothy Dixon, Ward 2  
    Patrick Flannery, Ward 4

Also present were: City Manager David Mackie, City Clerk Stephen M. French, City Attorney John Lovinger, City Attorney Tom Thompson, Scott Hephner (HCPD & HCFD), Jake Hammel (DPS), Corey Murray (Hillsdale Daily News), Ruth Brown, Sheri Ingles, Janet Haney, Sue Risk, Ray Briner, Amanda Briner, Dottie Gaya, Heather Tritchka, Robert Socha, Peter Merritt, Stefan Kleinhuz, Sarah Scheutte, Shonna Skalla, Lydia Brant, Shawnae Urban-Stockford, Ted Jansen, Dennis Wainscott, and Penny Swan.

**Council Member Excused**

Mayor Sessions stated he had received notice from Council Member Flannery indicating he would not be in attendance at the meeting.

Council Member Watkins, seconded by Council Member Zeiser, moved to excuse the absence of Council Member Flannery from the meeting. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

**Approval of Agenda**

Council Member Bell, seconded by Council Member Watkins, moved to approve the November 13, 2017 agenda as presented. By a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment**

No public comments were offered.

**Oath of Office**

City Clerk French administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Adam L. Stockford, Ward 1 Council Member Greg Stuchell, Ward 2 Council Member William Morrissey, Ward 3 Council Member Bill Zeiser, and Ward 4 Council Member Raymond Briner.

Council Member individually thanked outgoing Mayor Scott Sessions and Council Member Patrick Flannery for their hard work and dedication throughout the past four years.

### Election of Mayor Pro-Tem

Council Member Sharp nominated Council Member Morrisey as Mayor Pro-Tem.

No other nominations were received.

Council Member Zeiser, seconded by Council Member Sharp, moved to close the nomination process for Mayor Pro-Tem.

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| Roll call: | Council Member Briner   | Aye |
|            | Council Member Flannery | Aye |
|            | Council Member Morrisey | Aye |
|            | Council Member Sharp    | Aye |
|            | Council Member Stuchell | Aye |
|            | Council Member Watkins  | Aye |
|            | Council Member Zeiser   | Aye |
|            | Mayor Stockford         | Aye |

Motion passed 8-0.

Council Members voted by paper ballot for the appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem. City Clerk French then collected the ballots, reviewed the votes, and announced Council Member Morrisey had been elected unanimously as Mayor Pro-Tem.

### Public Comment

Ms. Penny Swan, 192 South West Street, congratulated all newly elected Council Members.

Mr. Dennis Wainscott, 34 Garden Street, also congratulated all newly elected Council Members.

Mr. Jack McLain, 1445 South Bunn Road, questioned the city's use of the branding logo that had been discussed and tabled at the October 20, 2017 Council Meeting.

Ms. Shawnae Urban-Stockford congratulated Mayor Stockford on his successful election.

Mr. James Galloway noted the community spirit that had been expressed throughout the meeting and congratulated everyone who had participated in the municipal election.

### Council Comments

Responding to a question from Council Member Zeiser, City Manager Mackie reported the Communication Committee had discussed the city's logo recommendation and the item would be placed on the November 20, 2017 Council agenda for discussion.

Council Member Bell noted the attendance of Ms. Swan, Mr. Wainscott, and Mr. Jansen at the meeting and thanked them for their community involvement, even though their campaigns were not successful. Council Member Bell stated the transfer of governance from one Council Member to another was the basic fundamental of representative government in our country.

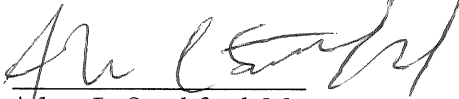
Council Member Briner commended Ms. Swan for her campaign in the Ward 4 race and noted the professionalism that had been maintained throughout the election campaign.

Council Member Stuchell also commended Mr. Wainscott and Mr. Jansen for their involvement in the Ward 1 race and noted both men were honorable individuals and were active in city affairs.

**Adjournment**

Council Member Bell, seconded by Council Member Watkins, moved to adjourn the meeting. By a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.



Adam L. Stockford, Mayor



Stephen M. French, City Clerk