

MINUTES OF THE CITY OF HULL MAYOR AND COUNCIL

February 27, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Barber at 7:00 p.m. at Hull City Hall. Those in attendance in addition to the Mayor were the Clerk, and council members Mike McElroy, Paige Phillips, and Steven Hollingsworth, and attorney Danny Love. Also Chief Austin and several members of the Hull Volunteer Department.

A moment of silent prayer followed the pledge of allegiance.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved unanimously after a motion by Mike McElroy and a second by Paige Phillips. The financial reports were unanimously approved after a motion by Paige Phillips and a second by Steven Hollingsworth.

Under new business Chief Austin was recognized along with other members of the Fire Department to speak with Attorney Love and Mayor and Council concerning a letter Attorney Love had sent to the Fire Department concerning the City's inability to convey the land where the Fire Station is located to the Department. The Fire Department did provide some information showing that Madison County had conveyed land from the County to the Danielsville Fire Department and Collins Fire Department. Attorney Love indicated that the City would need to discuss this in executive session. The Fire Department also advised Mayor and Council that they would not be signing a new contract for 2025 unless the amount paid by the City is increased.

Also under new business the Clerk reported that no one had qualified for the vacant council seat. The next time to have a special election is in September and she will advise Mayor and Council of the qualifying dates once they are set.

Mayor Barber presented quotes for replacing the heating/air in City Hall from Acker Heating and Air and D & D.. After review and discussion a motion was made by Paige Phillips, seconded by Steven Hollingsworth and unanimously approved to accept the bid from Acker Heating and Air for \$9,234.00. This will be paid from the general fund. The Clerk did inquire as to whether this price included sales tax which should not be included since the City is sales tax exempt. Mayor Barber will confirm with Acker and have them revise the quote if sales tax was included.

Under new business the Clerk reported that two bids had been received for the lawn maintenance for the City.

- (1) Green Scenez Landscape, LLC - \$1,300.00 per month
- (2) Lawn in Order - \$2,000.00 per month.

Motion was made by Mike McElroy, seconded by Steven Hollingsworth and unanimously approved to accept the bid from Green Scenez Landscape, LLC. The Clerk will prepare the contract and she and Mayor Barber will meet with Mr. Perdue to get signed.

Also under new business Mayor and Council discussed increasing the payment to the Fire Department. A motion was made by Steve Hollingsworth, seconded by Mike McElroy and unanimously approved to offer to increase the monthly payments to \$400.00. Mayor Barber will meet with the Fire Chief to see if the Department is willing to sign the contract for that amount with the idea that if they will come to Mayor and Council in November prior to the Budget

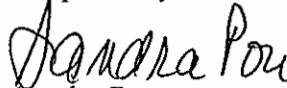
meeting in December with a budget and a request that can be considered prior to a budget being approved that Mayor and Council would be willing to consider another increase for 2026. Mayor Barber will report back to Council.

Mike McElroy then made a motion that council go into executive session to discuss a real estate matter.. The motion was seconded by Steven Hollingsworth and unanimously approved. Motion was then made by McElroy, seconded by Paige Phillips and unanimously approved to come out of executive session which was unanimously approved. Motion was then made by Mike McElroy, seconded by Steven Hollingsworth and unanimously approved to resume the regular meeting. No action was taken from the executive session.

Mayor Barber advised that he had purchased the washers to be used with the Christmas Decorations.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned after a motion by Paige Phillips and a second by Steven Hollingsworth.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sandra Pou".

Sandra Pou
Hull City Clerk