MINUTES OF THE CITY OF HULL MAYOR AND COUNCIL

September 24, 2026

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,Steven Hollingsworth. and Yvonne Davenport along with City Attorney Danny Love. Also a representative from the Madison County Journal was present.

A moment of silent prayer followed the pledge of allegiance.

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

Mayor Barber and Attorney Love reported on their meeting with Commission Chairman, Todd Higdon, and Bldg. Inspector Eddie Pritchett. It appears that the Intergovernmental Agreement that was previously presented to Mayor and Council had been approved by the Madison County BOC but the City was never notified and the agreement lapsed. In any event the County indicated that they were willing to enter into a new Intergovernmental Agreement wherein the County would issue building permits and provide all inspections for construction within the City limits. Their inspectors are licensed by the State unlike Mr. Shedd who is qualified to do the inspections but he is not legally qualified. The City has already adopted the county building codes so it would just be a matter of entering into the Intergovernmental Agreement and it being approved by both the City and the County. Mr. Shedd would still be used for other matters as needed by the City. Madison County will not address zoning issues for the City. Attorney Love presented the Intergovernmental Agreement for review. After review a motion was made by Paige Phillips, seconded by Mike McElroy and unanimously approved to sign off on the Intergovernmental Agreement and present the same to the BOC for review and approval.

With respect to Code Enforcement and Animal Control the current Zoning does not list anything but cats and dogs however we would have to have a Court, Judge and Court Clerk to enforce this. There is a possibility of partnering with another City to provide same. No action was taken on this and it was tabled until the October meeting.

Council member, Paige Phillips, provided pictures of the City's "Scarecrow in the City" display she planned to put up at the Well. She was going to inquire about putting it up early since she will be going out of town.

Mayor Barber presented an estimate for some updating and repairs at the Well area which was approximately $20,000.00. It was the consensus of Mayor and Council that this was too much for the City to spend. Council member Hollingsworth was going to look into what, if any, grants might be available to provide funding for this project. He will report back at the October meeting.

The Clerk advised that we needed to change the November and December meeting dates due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. The Clerk suggested the November meeting be held on November 23rd and the December meeting be held on December 21st . The Budget meeting would also be held on December 21st prior to the regular meeting. Motion was made by Yvonne Davenport, seconded by Paige Phillips and unanimously approved to change this dates

as recommended.

Attorney Love will contact Mr. Shedd to let him know what the City had decided with respect to the Building Inspections.

Council member McElroy inquired if there was anything the Mayor and Council could do about the residence in Hidden Falls Subdivision where cars are being parked on the street. Attorney Love will review and report back at the October meeting.

The Clerk advised that she had sent a notice to the business being conducted on Yarbrough Road about obtaining a business license and that she had been contacted by them and they plan to send in the application and the fee for their 2026 license.

Council member Phillips expressed her concern about the lawn maintenance not being done as agreed. In particular she had concern about the commemorative plaques by the Crepe Myrtles being grown over. Other members of council expressed other concerns about the lack of compliance with the Lawn Maintenance Contract. The contract expires November 30th however it was decided by Mayor and Council to reach out to Mr. Perdue and express their concerns and consider putting the lawn maintenance contract back out for bid for 2027.

Attorney Love advised that he had been in touch with the lady requesting to build the tiny house at 10531 Highway 72 West and that she has gotten the approvals she needed from the county and that he would be back in touch with her to explain the next steps with re-zoning and obtaining a variance. No action was taken.

There being no further business at this time a motion was made by Mike McElroy, seconded by Steven Hollingsworth and approved to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Pou

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City Clerk