**Present Council Members:** Mayor Robert Brown

Mayor Pro-Tem Beth Chafin

 Councilman Kevin Brown

 Councilman Marvin Love

 Councilman Travis ‘Pete’ Mixson

**Others Present:** Perry McAlhaney, Police Chief

 Lewis Ramsey, HFD

1. **Call to Order:**

The Town of Hampton Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Brown at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was held in the Hampton Town Hall Council Chambers.

1. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Brown gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. **FOIA Compliance:**

Mayor Brown reported the Town is in compliance with the FOIA.

1. **Agenda Adoption:**

Councilwoman Chafin motioned to adopt the agenda. Councilman Love seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

1. **Approval of Minutes for December 20, 2022:**

Councilwoman Chafin motioned to approve the December 20, 2022, minutes as presented. Councilman Mixson seconded. All were in favor, motion passed.

1. **Public Comment:**

None at this time.

1. **Old Business:**
* **Museum Doors:**

Mayor Brown reported that he spoke to Lee Bowen and he will fit this in to his schedule as weather permits.

Councilman Loved stated that he spoke to Mr. Bowen after the Mayor and Mr. Bowen informed him that he will not return to the museum to do these repairs.

1. **New Business:**

None at this time.

1. **Supervisors’ Report:**
* **Fire Department**:

Chief Ramsey reported that the Fire Department was awarded a grant that has a 50/50 match of up to $4550.00. They have until April of 2023 to spend these funds.

* **Police Department:**

Chief McAlhaney reported that it has been a good holiday season. He also commented that the newly elected Sheriff has been sworn in and he looks forward to working with him.

Councilman Love raised an objection to not being notified about recent personnel changes at the Police Department in a timely manner.

* **Administration:**

Shannon Altman asked council members to contact her and let her know what days and times would be good to set up a budget workshop.

Councilman Love asked Shannon how she was coming on the financial information he requested. Shannon stated she is working on it with QS1 and hopes to have it resolved by the end of the month.

1. **Mayor’s Report:**
* Mayor Brown opened it up for any Councilmember comments and discussion.
	+ Councilwoman Chafin had no reports at this time.
	+ Councilman Brown had no reports at this time.
	+ Councilman Mixson had no reports at this time.
	+ Councilman Love had no reports at this time.
* Mayor Brown reported:
	+ Public Works has been hard at work with getting Christmas decorations put away and trying to get their normal duties done.
	+ MLK parade will be held on January 14, starting in Varnville and ending in Hampton.
	+ CC&I has received the information needed and should be ready to begin permitting and inspections soon.
	+ Parks and Recreation Development fund has an available grant with an 80/20 match that could help with getting bathrooms installed at Lightsey Park.
	+ Kimberly Mullinax with LCOG, will hold a public hearing at the next meeting to discuss community needs.
	+ Offered congratulations to the sheriff and 3 councilmembers recently sworn in, along with Representative Hager.
1. **Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Mixson. Councilwoman Chafin seconded. All were in favor, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Brown at 7:16 pm.

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 Mayor Robert J. Brown

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 Councilman Kevin A. Brown

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 Councilwoman Beth Chafin

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 Councilman Travis L. Mixson

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