

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL HELD APRIL 2, 2019**

A Special Meeting of Hopewell City Council was held Tuesday, April 2, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, Municipal Building, and 300 North Main Street, Hopewell, Virginia.

**PRESENT:** Jasmine E. Gore, Mayor, Ward 4  
Patience Bennett, Vice Mayor, Ward 7  
Deborah Randolph, Councilor, Ward 1  
Arlene Holloway, Councilor, Ward 2  
John B. Partin, Jr., Councilor, Ward 3  
Brenda Pelham, Councilor, Ward 6  
  
John M. Altman, Jr., City Manager  
Ronnieye L. Arrington, City Clerk

**ABSENT:** Janice Denton, Councilor, Ward 5

**ROLL CALL**

Vice-Mayor Gore opened the meeting at 5:32 p.m. Roll call was taken as follows:

Mayor Gore	-	present
Vice Mayor Bennett	-	present
Councilor Randolph	-	present
Councilor Partin	-	present
Councilor Holloway	-	present
Councilor Denton	-	absent
Councilor Pelham	-	present

**CLOSED MEETING**

At 5:33 p.m., Vice Mayor Bennett moved to go into Closed Meeting for (1) discussion, consideration, and interviews of prospective candidates for employment (city attorney), in accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-3711 (A) (1). Councilor Partin seconded the motion. Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Mayor Gore	-	present
Vice Mayor Bennett	-	present
Councilor Randolph	-	present
Councilor Partin	-	present
Councilor Holloway	-	present
Councilor Pelham	-	present

**Motion passed 5-0**

Councilor Randolph left the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

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**RECONVENE OPEN MEETING**

Council convened into Open Session at 8:32 p.m. and responded to the question pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3712 (D): were only public business matters (I) lawfully exempted from open-meeting requirements and (II) identified in the closed-meeting motion discussed in closed meeting? Upon the roll call, the vote resulted:

Mayor Gore	-	yes
Vice Mayor Bennett	-	yes
Councilor Partin	-	yes
Councilor Holloway	-	yes
Councilor Pelham	-	yes

**Motion passed 5-0**

**ADJOURN**

At 8:33 p.m., Councilor Pelham moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Partin seconded the motion. All councilors responded “aye” to the question. Meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Jasmine E. Gore  
Jasmine E. Gore, Mayor

/s/ Ronnieye L. Arrington  
Ronnieye L. Arrington, City Clerk