

**Town of Hamilton
Council Meeting
Minutes
May 13, 2025**

7:00 pm at TOWN HALL/ SLIPPER HOUSE

1. Mayor Mandy Bates called the meeting to order at 7:00pm on May 13, 2025

Present: Mayor Mandy Bates, Tim Morrison, Karin Vail, Andrea Adams, Alyssa Ammons, Theresa Boots, Mike Ulrich, Si Adams, and Kym Eldridge

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Harry Smith, 211 South Street #F, Captain of the HVFD gave his resignation on July 1, 2025 after 12 years with the department.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

- A) Approval of April 8, 2025 minutes: Tim M. made a motion to approve April 8, 2025 minutes. Karin V. second the motion. All in favor
- B) Approval of the Workshop minutes: Alyssa A. made the motion to approve the Workshop minutes. Mike U. second the motion. All in favor
- C) Approval of the April Checks/Vouchers: Andrea A. made a motion to approve the April Checks/Vouchers. Alyssa A. second the motion. All in favor
- D) Approval of April Bank Rec: Alyssa A. made a motion to approve the April bank reconciliation. Tim M. second the motion. All in favor
- E) Approval of Bills to pay. Alyssa A. made the motion to approve bills to be paid. Karin V. second the motion. All in favor

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Andrea A. made the motion to approve the RV Extended Permit for M. Ulrich for six (6) months. Tim M. second the motion. Mike U. recused himself from voting. All in favor
- b. Andrea A. made the motion to dismiss the Citizen Action Request regarding a dog attack due to no evidence presented to the Council. The reporting party was not at the meeting. Karin V. second the motion. All in favor
- c. Karin V. made the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Forterra Flood Plains by Design. Mike U. second the motion. All in favor
Mike made the motion to approve the Conservation Covenant. Karin V. second the motion. All in favor
- d. Yuki Reis from Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group was here to talk to the Council about the creek on the Forterra property on Walders Road. It is in the beginning planning stage with the creek being rerouted as the first project.
- e. Alyssa A. made the motion to approve the updated interlocal agreement between PSE and the Town of Hamilton. Andrea A. second the motion. All in favor

- f. Alyssa A. made the motion for the Clerk to look into the USDA loan for the Water Project and get information for the Council.
- g. #G,N,O were all discussed at the same time. This was in regard to the parks, gazebo park and the gazebo bathrooms. The goal is to fix any repairs, touch up painting, more playground equipment, and promoting the park more for events.
- h. Tim Morrison made the motion to get three (3) bids if the Welcome to Hamilton sign needs refreshing and to order lights to enhance the sign. Karin V. second the motion. All in favor
- i. Alyssa A. denied the request of the foam for the HVFD due to the Service Contract starting July 1, 2025. Mike U. second the motion. All in favor
- j. Tim M. made the motion for the HVFD to purchase a battery for the Tahoe. Mike U. second the motion. All in favor
- k. Alyssa A. made the motion to plan a Hamilton Days event, including a car show, vendors and craft fair for tentatively the 2nd of August and asked the Clerks to look at the surrounding events for that weekend. Karin V. second the motion. All in favor
- l. There was a discussion about getting community input about a community garage sale for the weekend of June 27th & 28th.
- m. Tim M. made the motion to have the ramp and porch painted at Town Hall. Karin V. second the motion. All in favor
- n. Was discussed during #G
- o. Was discussed during #G
- p. Mike U. made the motion to not have the dumpsters again for spring clean-up and use that money to set aside funds in the event of a major flood. Alyssa A. second the motion. All in favor
- q. Alyssa A. made the motion to have the clerk figure out the itemized list of trees, grass seed, fencing, cement and a picnic table would be to finish the Lyman Hamilton area next to Rails to Trails. Karin V. second the motion. All in favor

5. CONTINUED BUSINESS:

- A) The Council was updated on the tractor purchase, that it is being factory ordered and should be here within a month.
- B) The Council was updated that a surplus list had been started.
- C) R. Johnson's property was discussed and it was decided that it's looking better than before.
- E) Mike U. made the motion to approve the interlocal agreement of a Service Contract with Dist. 8 Fire Department starting on July 1, 2025. Andrea A. second the motion. All in favor

6. COUNCIL, COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- A) Water Report. 53% water loss with 23% unaccounted for. Si Adams explained this was due to Janicki doing the new Flow Testing. Andrea A. made the motion to have the Clerk call Janicki to discuss putting on a meter at their Trunk Line and to find the cost of a meter. Alyssa A. second the motion. All in favor

Alyssa A. made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40PM
Andrea A. seconds the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM

Date June 10 2025

Mayor Mandy Bates
Mandy Bates

Andrea Adams Andrea L. Adams

Clerk Kym Eldridge
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Alyssa Ammons Teams Meet

Mike Ulrich Mike Ulrich

Tim Morrison Tim Morrison

Karin Vail Karin Vail