

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 6, 2026 CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

A SPECIAL meeting of the Hopewell Council was held on Friday, March 6, 2026, at 8:00 a.m.

PRESENT:

John B. Partin, Mayor
Rita Joyner, Vice Mayor
Michael Harris, Councilor
Malik Wheat, Councilor
Susan Daye, Councilor
Lovena Rapole, Councilor

Vice Mayor Joyner makes a motion to go into a closed meeting under Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A)(1) to discuss personnel matters, including board and commission appointments. (City Manager interviews). Councilor Daye seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Joyner-	Yes
Councilor Harris-	Yes
Mayor Partin-	Yes
Councilor Wheat-	Yes
Councilor Daye-	Yes
Councilor Rapole-	Yes
Councilor Ellis-	Yes

Motion Passes 7-0

Councilor Daye makes a motion to reconvene the open meeting. Councilor Wheat seconds the motion.

ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Joyner-	Yes
Councilor Harris-	Absent
Mayor Partin-	Absent
Councilor Ellis-	Absent
Councilor Daye-	Yes
Councilor Wheat-	Yes
Councilor Rapole-	Yes

Motion Passes 4-3

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO VIRGINIA CODE §2.2-3712 (D): Were only public business matters (1) lawfully exempted from open-meeting requirements and (2) identified in the closed-meeting motion discussed in the closed meeting?

PRESENT:

Rita Joyner, Vice Mayor
Susan Daye, Councilor
Malik Wheat, Councilor
Lovena Rapole, Councilor

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully Submitted,



Sade' Allen, City Clerk



Johnny Partin, Mayor