

**Hillsboro City Council Meeting  
December 10, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call was taken and those present were Mayor Sullivan and Commissioners Downs, Murphy, Duncan and Robbins.

The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Commissioners' reports:

Commissioner Robbins read his reports for the street department and public property department and they will be included in the minutes. Commissioner Robbins said a RFP on mowing public property will be going to Attorney Hantla to review for a future meeting

Commissioner Murphy reported the City is working with a property owner at Big Four Ave. and Summer St. to remove or make some vehicles legal and a shed on Birch St. is being torn down. Murphy said the property owner at 655 Virginia St. has been cited for a derelict property. Murphy said Stewart has been working at Challacombe Park cutting down some trees. Murphy said he has spoke with IDOT about signage and IDOT will be handling the issue. Murphy asked that everyone please pick up their trash and  $2 + 2 = 4$ . Murphy asked everyone to call the police and not report stuff on facebook.

Commissioner Duncan had nothing to report.

Commissioner Downs said the lift station on Ash St. is back to full speed and some of the Lakewood stations are giving issues and will need to be looked at.

Mayor Sullivan said the Story Book Christmas was a success and the Atlas 46 build went well along with the Hardcore Hammers log splitting contest, all were a success. Mayor Sullivan said Senator Manar and DCEO Director Erin Guthrie were in Hillsboro and were very generous with their time talking about locating companies here and how they could help.

Intern Community Planner Jonathan Weyer gave his report and it will be included in the minutes.

City Engineer reported the hydraulic study for the Central Park bridges is moving along after gathering some information and the submittal grant will be good for two years.

Public Comments:

Chief Randy Leetham said he left the County Board meeting and a lengthy discussion on the ETSB board was held and it is now in the County Boards hands to make the decision on if 911 should stay in the County or be moved to Christian County. Chief Leetham said if anyone has an opinion on the matter now is the time to speak up. Chief Leetham said any input is welcome and needed.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Duncan** and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to approve paying bills for the month of December in the amount of \$518,289.36. Motion carried 4-0 with Mayor Sullivan a NV.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Murphy to adopt Resolution No. 2019-05, a Resolution approving the 2020 MFT program. Motion carried 4-0 with Mayor Sullivan a NV.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Downs to approve a Façade Improvement Grant for John and Kendra Wright, Red Rooster Inn, for an amount NTE \$6,000. Motion carried 4-0 with Mayor Sullivan a NV.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Duncan** and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to approve a Façade Improvement Grant for Steven Wall, 310 S. Main St. for an amount NTE \$2,000. Motion carried 4-0 with Mayor Sullivan a NV.

There was no action taken on agenda item No. 13

**Motion was made by Commissioner Duncan** and seconded by Commissioner Robbins to approve hiring Jonathan Weyer as Community Planner at \$23 dollars and hour. Motion carried 4-0 with Mayor Sullivan a NV.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Duncan to approve a TIF extension for Brian Lee on his building located at 229 S. Main St. until the end of 2020. Motion carried 4-0 with Mayor Sullivan a NV.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Duncan** and seconded by Commissioner Murphy to adopt Resolution No. 2019-06, a resolution authorizing a referendum for the sale of recreational cannabis in the City of Hillsboro. Motion carried 4-0 with Mayor Sullivan a NV.

**Motion to Adjourn was made at 7:40 pm by Commissioner Robbins** and seconded by Commissioner Downs. Motion carried 4-0 with Mayor Sullivan a NV.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cory M. Davidson, City Clerk



# CITY OF HILLSBORO

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Regular Meeting, 7 p.m.  
Second & Fourth Tuesdays

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## STREET DEPARTMENT

1. RAN STREET SWEEPER
2. CLEANED STORM GRATES AND DRAINS
3. PICKED UP BRUSH AND LEAVES
4. CLEANED UP DOWNTOWN FOR CHRISTMAS
5. OBSERVED WATER AND SEWER TAPS BEING MADE FOR HOUSING PROJECT
6. CLEANED UP LEAVES ON SIDEWALK ON SEWARD ST. HILL
7. PICKED UP STREET SIGN AT ECCLES AND E TREMONT STREETS THAT A SCHOOL BUS RAN OVER, WAITING ON REPLACEMENT SIGNS
8. FIXED HYDRAULIC HOSE ON 310 BACKHOE
9. FIXED A HOLE IN A TIRE ON THE SWEEPER
10. PUT UP NEW POST AND STOP SIGN AT INDUSTRIAL AND SMITH RD. THAT HAD BLOWN OVER
11. PUT NEW BATTERIES IN THE 2013 F-550 DUMP TRUCK
12. PUT CA6 IN HOLE ON KIMBALL ST
13. CUT BROKEN LIMB THAT WAS HANGING OVER KINKEAD RD.

Brian Sullivan, Mayor

Katie Duncan, Commissioner Accounts & Finance, Michael Murphy, Commissioner Public Health & Safety  
Don Downs, Commissioner of Public Utilities, Daniel Robbins, Commissioner of Streets & Public Property  
Cory Davidson, City Clerk, Bonnie Hefley, City Treasurer

# Parks & Public Properties Dept. Work Summary

## Council Meeting Report-December 10, 2019

- Received and put out 19 new trash receptacles downtown
- Installation of the electrical service for the Plaza and future downtown use has been completed and is energized
- Mulched and bagged leaves at Veteran's Memorial
- Continued splitting wood
- Installed door shade and serviced faucet at City Hall
- Put up holiday banners at the Plaza and decorated tree
- Working with Hurst-Rosche on finalizing permit requirements for the bridges for the planned Central Park/Challacombe trail
- Put up 22' tree on the courthouse lawn for the second time after 11/26 high winds blew it down
- Repaired ridge cap at north access area restrooms damaged from 11/26 high winds
- Cleaned gutters at Challacombe House

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-Senator Manar, Erin Guthrie, Director of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Meeting/CEDS Report

-Hardcore Hammers wood chopping event went very well. We were also featured in the St. Louis Post Dispatch. Mayor and I met with Atlas and Hardcore about the progress of their future with Hillsboro. We had to readjust some timelines, but their plans are still solid. More on that soon. Also, an Atlas employee and her husband came to town on Saturday. They are looking to relocate here, the first of many, I believe.

-There is an offer on the Miller Building (Son's old dojo), and negotiations have reached final stages. I'll have more of an update after the New Year and most likely everyone will know about it by then. But, it's exciting and I can't wait to see it blossom. If it all works out, it will be another huge piece to our downtown.

-The restaurant I mentioned in our last meeting is in final negotiations for one of the buildings. Shout out to Kaitlyn Fath, our new Chamber director, who worked with me on the tour to help make this happen. Again, will have more information after the first of the year.

-Moving on to write the specific goals of the Strategic Plan. Input is still welcome from everyone.

-Arts Commission is now formed. We would like to introduce the ordinance and list of people who will be serving, including alternates, at one of the January meetings.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jonathan Weyer

Community and Economic Planner