



# City of Hampton

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## Council Approved Minutes - Final City Council Special Session

*Mayor Donnie R. Tuck*  
*Vice Mayor Jimmy Gray*  
*Councilmember Chris L. Bowman*  
*Councilmember Eleanor Weston Brown*  
*Councilmember Steven L. Brown*  
*Councilmember Billy Hobbs*  
*Councilmember Chris Snead*

*STAFF: Mary Bunting, City Manager*  
*Cheran Cordell Ivery, City Attorney*  
*Katherine K. Glass, Clerk of Council*

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**Wednesday, October 14, 2020**

**8:30 AM**

**Buckroe Boardwalk  
followed by visits to  
Phoebus, Kecoughtan  
and Bethel High Schools**

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### CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tuck called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. Councilman Brown and Councilwoman Brown were not present at roll call but arrived a few moments later.

**Present** 5 - Councilmember Chris L. Bowman, Vice Mayor Jimmy Gray, Councilmember Billy Hobbs, Councilmember Chris Snead, and Mayor Donnie R. Tuck

**Absent** 2 - Councilmember Eleanor Weston Brown, and Councilmember Steven L. Brown

### DONNIE R. TUCK PRESIDED

### READING OF THE CALL FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING

**Present** 7 - Councilmember Chris L. Bowman, Councilmember Eleanor Weston Brown, Councilmember Steven L. Brown, Vice Mayor Jimmy Gray, Councilmember Billy Hobbs, Councilmember Chris Snead, and Mayor Donnie R. Tuck

Katherine Glass, Clerk of the City Council, read the call for the special meeting: This meeting is called to give the members of the Hampton City Council an opportunity to view some options

for the renovation of the boardwalk at Buckroe Beach and also to see examples of some of the physical improvements to Hampton City Schools properties.

## AGENDA

1. [20-0306](#) City Council Field Trip to Visit Buckroe Boardwalk Improvements, and Examples of Physical Improvements to Hampton City Schools by Visiting Phoebus, Kecoughtan and Hampton High Schools

Council gathered at the far north end of the Buckroe Boardwalk where they received information about the possible finishes which can be used on the boardwalk, planters and bike path along with the staff and consultant's recommended selections. Those present were:

David McCauley - Director, Parks, Recreation and Leisure Services

Kurt Zebley - Owner, Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc.

Mark Kerrick - Manager, Kerrick Construction, LLC

Arthur Mertz - Chief Park Ranger, Parks, Recreation and Leisure Services

Bob Miller - Project Manager, Sundek

Chris Guthomson - Maintenance/Operations Manager, Parks, Recreation and Leisure Services.

Council then traveled to Phoebus High School, arriving at 9:09 a.m. where they were greeted by Dr. Jeffery Smith, Hampton City Schools Superintendent; Dr. Brian Bowling, Chief Operations Officer (School Operations & Maintenance); and Kellie Goral, Executive Director of Public Relations and Marketing.

A tour of some of the physical improvements to Phoebus High School was conducted by Mr. James Harris, Executive Principal. Among the areas that Council viewed was landscaping, renovated restrooms, the cafeteria, learning space for Academy of Digital Video Production, learning space for Academy of Cybersecurity, Engineering and Robotics, the library and

upgraded science classrooms.

Council proceeded to Kecoughtan High School, arriving at 10:02 a.m. and viewed improvements there on a tour given by Dr. Violet Whiteman, Executive Principal, and Mr. Christopher Fredericks, Academy Principal. Mr. Fredericks showed Council the cafeteria, the mock bank, learning space for Academy of Entrepreneurship and Information Design, the library and the auxiliary gym.

The final stop was Bethel High School, where Council arrived at 11:07 a.m. That tour was given by Mr. Ralph J. Saunders, Executive Principal; Ms. Dorothy Garrity, Academy Principal; Mr. Gregory Hopson, Academy Principal; Ms. Tracy Cornell, teacher; Ms. Kathleen May, teacher; and Ms. Carolyn Phillips, teacher. While at Bethel, Council viewed the learning space for Governor's Health Sciences, learning space for Law and Public Safety, the cafeteria, gymnasium and auxiliary gym.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

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Donnie R. Tuck  
Mayor

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Katherine K. Glass, CMC  
Clerk of Council

Date approved by Council \_\_\_\_\_