HAMLIN COLLEGIATE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING
August 25, 2025

The Hamlin Collegiate Independent School District Board of Education met for Special Meeting/Public Hearing and in the Board Room at the Hamlin CISD Piper Center at 5p.m. on August 25, 2025

Members of the Board present; Kendon Gruben, Carrie Moore, Jennifer Prater, Derek Moore, Sheila Darnell, and Dr. Chad White. Not present: Sherman Bates.

Also present: Dr. Chanda Bloch-Superintendent, Business Manager Becky Terry, and Lisa Gonzales, Michelle Jones, Jacob Cox, Cristi Castanares, and Morganne Mandrell

Kendon Gruben called the Special Meeting/Public Hearing/ to order at 5:00 PM, Dr. Chad White gave the invocation, and Kendon Gruben led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Open Forum:

AD Jasos Botos and Baseball Coach Lynn Turner signed up to address the board. Kendon Gruben recognized them and opened the floor. Coach Botos and Turner said they wanted to present the Board members with a 3rd Place medal for supporting the Pipers in their run for the baseball state semi-finals. Also, they presented medals to Gary Ford for always supporting and following the Pipes with his camera and sharing his photos for everyone to enjoy, and to John Scifres for always helping to maintain Rock Field keeping it in top shape.

ACTION ITEMS:

Consider the 2024-2025 Budget Amendments - Becky Terry updated the board on the final expenditures and budget amendments. Approval will close out the year. Jennifer Prater moved the board consider/approve the **Budget Amendments for FY 2024-2025** as presented. Derek Moore seconded and the motion passed. (6-0 voting for the motion.)

Consider the Adoption of the General, Debt Service and Food Service budgets for 2025-2026

Sheila Darnell moved the board consider/approve **the General, Debt, and Food Service Budgets for 2025-2026** as presented. Dr. Chad White seconded and the motion carried. (6-0 for the motion).

Adopt an Ordinance to set the Maintenance and Operations AND Sinking Tax Rates for 2025-2026.

Sheila Darnell moved the Board to approve the **Tax Rate of .7575 for Maintenance and Operations and .1571 cents for Interest and Sinking for a total tax rate of $ .9146, as presented.** Jennifer Prater seconded and the motion carried. (6-0 voting for the motion.

Consider/Approve Property Casualty Insurance proposal for 2025-2026

Jennifer Prater moved the board consider/approve **the Property/Casualty Insurance Proposal for 2025-2026** as presented. Derek Moore seconded and the motion passed. (6-0 voting for the motion.)

Consider/Approve the Renewal of the Good Cause Exception for HB 3.Sec.A37-0814

Derek Moore moved the board consider/approve the **Renewal of the Good Cause Exception for HB 3.Sec.A37-0814** as presented. Sheila Darnell seconded and the motion passed. (6-0 voting for the motion.)

The Board Convened into Closed Session at 5:10pm

The Board reconvened at 5:45pm.

Action Relevant to Closed Session:

Carrie Moore moved the board consider/approve the **Recommended List of School Guardians** as presented. Dr. Chad White seconded and the motion passed. (6-0 voting for the motion.)

There being no further business the meeting and Public Hearing was adjourned at 5:46 pm by Kendon Gruben.

Kendon Gruben, President

Jennifer Prater, Secretary