

**War Memorial Stadium Advisory Board Special Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday February 18, 2026  
Mary Jackson Neighborhood Center Conference Room**

**Attendance**

**Board Members**

- Wayne Gomes (C)
- John Jackowski (VC)
- Garth Wallis (S)
- Jerri Patrick
- Dave Rogers
- Ruth Simmons

**Members absent**

- Karla Crump
- Nick Hobbs
- Paul London
- Malik Perry
- Randy Price

- Jim Wilson  
(Emeritus)

**Hampton City Staff**

- Angela King
- Leon Bass
- JR Ruggiero
- Airris Madden

**Community Baseball**

- Henry Morgan
- Hank Morgan
- Matt Mitchell

- (C) Advisory Board Chair
- (VC) Vice Chair
- (S) Secretary
- (Z) Zoom

**Other Guests**

- Carolyn Campbell
- Frank Feagan

The February 18 special meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call was conducted, and six voting members were present; there was a quorum.

**Project and Funding Discussion**

The purpose of this special meeting is to discuss projects and funding. City staff facilitated the meeting.

**Identify Priority of FY27 CIP Requests Currently Under Review**

The board discussed and then ranked the five CIP requests. Each board member individually ordered the projects. The following two projects were ranked 1 and 2, respectively:

- Outfield improvements – drainage & turf (\$1.358m)
- Restrooms – under bleachers (\$600k)

**Pre-2026 Season Projects**

Quick updates were given on the status on ongoing projects. The Pilots and City staff continue to work on active projects with goals of completing priors to the start of the baseball season.

Two new plumbing matters were discussed. These were presented at this time given that the concourse renovation project is currently being worked.

- Cover/protection for main water control valve (\$TBD)
- Underground pipe to concession stand (\$3.4k)

A motion to request Parks and Recreation to complete these two plumbing matters, if possible, under the concourse project (with change orders, if required), was made by Garth and seconded by John. All voted and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Potential 2026-27 Winter Projects**

Board members reviewed several historically created project lists and concluded on an updated list of next year's projects. Additions and deletions to the list of potential winter projects were not by formal vote, but by general consensus. Prioritization will need to occur and a future meeting (the following items are not listed in any prioritized order).

- Pavilion floor
- Netting – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> base
- Playground replacement
- Install mini field turf
- Replace fencing
- Lighting under bleachers
- Padding for brink wall
- Bull pen padding
- Plexiglass for concessions
- 3<sup>rd</sup> pitch clock
- Centerline camera
- Find grants for LED field lights
- Upper deck pavilion drink rail with tall chair-back seating
- Upgraded seating in box seats
- Three rows of chair-back seating (center to mid-field)
- Roll doors at batting cages

The Board adjourned at 7:30 pm. The next regular meeting for the War Memorial Stadium Advisory Board will be on Monday, March 2 at 12:00 p.m. in the War Memorial Stadium conference room.