

# VILLAGE OF HOSSTON

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Alderman: Henry Blunt  
Alderman: Misti Banks  
Alderman: Tiffany Payton

## VILLAGE OF HOSSTON MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston met in regular session Tuesday, September 21, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., in the Village Hall, Hosston, LA.

Present: Mayor Kim Jaynes, Alderman Misti Banks, Alderman Henry Blunt, Chief of Police Ramona Anders.

Absent: Alderman Tiffany Payton, Town Clerk Amanda Anglin (due to quarantine)

Also Present: Fred Sarkozi, Margaret Sarkozi, Michael Anders, Karen McInnis, JP Porter, LeeAnne Blunt.

Mayor Jaynes called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., at which time a quorum was verified. Opening prayer was led by Alderman Banks and all present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Alderman Banks made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, no opposed, motion carries.

The next item on the agenda was public comments on agenda items: There were none.

Mayor Jaynes announced that the FY 22-23 LCDBG grant that was applied for to make repairs to old water lines was denied due to the lack of severity. Mayor Jaynes has applied for the Love Louisiana Outdoors Grant which would help with park and recreation items for the Village. Hosston will be applying for the Water Sector Grant and using part of the old water lines for this grant. Mayor Jaynes asked for volunteers to help with the Boom or Bust Byway Clean Up at the Robert L. Nance Park on September 25, 2021. The smell coming from HWY 71 South has been reported to CenterPoint and they have not found a gas leak. The DEQ has been notified and they are investigating the matter. Mayor Jaynes asked if residents have tall grass, or items stacked up on their property to clean up around their property. The Village of Hosston has ninety-six streetlights that the Village pays for each month for years. Mayor Jaynes found thirty of the streetlights not working, whether the bulb was out, the light is overgrown with weeds, no light on the pole or no pole where one should be. Twenty-six lights were found on resident's land being used as security lights. Eleven of the streetlights are facing the property of a resident not the street. Many of the remaining lights were found being double billed. The Village is paying, and the resident are paying for those streetlights, so those charges will be refunded to the

Village.

Alderman Banks read the August 17, 2021, regular meeting minutes. Alderman Blunt made a motion to approve the minutes as read, seconded by Alderman Banks. All in favor, no opposed, motion carries.

Mayor Jaynes told the Board that there is an old pressure tank at the pump station that isn't in use and needs to be removed. Mayor Jaynes suggested that due to the size of the tank that if anyone wants it and has means to move it that the Village give it to them for removal of the tank. Alderman Blunt made a motion to deem the pressure tank as surplus, second by Alderman Banks. All in favor, no opposed, motion carries.

Mayor Jaynes told the Board that there is a generator that the motor works on, but the generator doesn't run. Since the Village has a newer generator, Mayor Jaynes suggested declaring the generator surplus. Alderman Banks made a motion to declare the generator surplus, second by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, no opposed, motion carries.

Mayor Jaynes announced to the board that the October scheduled meeting falls during clerk's institute. Due to the Town Clerk being out and the town meeting requiring approval of two months financials the mayor suggested the meeting be rescheduled for October 12, 2021, at 6:30 pm. Alderman Blunt made a motion to reschedule the October meeting to October 12, 2021, at 6:30 pm, seconded by Alderman Banks. All in favor, no opposed, motion carries.

Public comments were asked for: Fred Sarkozi wanted to know if Mayors Court was being held. Mayor Jaynes replied that there has not been anything to have Mayors Court for, but when there is, there will be court held. Fred Sarkozi reported that windows on his property have been either shot out or rocks thrown to break them. Chief Anders replied that this is the first she has heard of it. The Chief said she would investigate the windows being broken. Margaret Sarkozi asked if the Village has an ordinance for weeds and trash on property. Mayor Jaynes replied yes, there is an ordinance regarding trash, tall grass, old cars, etc... Mayor Jaynes stated that if the Village cleans up a property that the Village can charge the owner for doing so. Margaret Sarkozi asked has Chief Anders been released from her doctor since her injury. Chief Anders explained that since LWCC says she wasn't covered that there is not a release procedure. Margaret Sarkozi asked about the Village having Auxiliary Officers. Chief Anders said that she has several that have volunteered to be Auxiliary Officers but would need the council approval. Mayor Jaynes added that since no one is allowed in the police cars except village employees she would contact the insurance agent to find out the procedure for having them covered. Fred Sarkozi and Margaret Sarkozi expressed concern for Chief Anders not having help while she is injured and the liability that the Village of Hosston is in.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Alderman Banks. All in favor, no opposed, motion carries.

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Amanda Anglin, Town Clerk

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Kim Jaynes, Mayor