VILLAGE OF HOSSTON

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Clerk: Amanda Anglin Alderman: Misti Banks
Chief of Police: Ramona Anders Alderman: Larry Pappan

VILLAGE OF HOSSTON MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD AUGUST 15, 2023

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston met in regular session Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., in the Village Hall, Hosston, LA.

Present: Mayor Kim Jaynes, Alderman Misti Banks, Alderman Henry Blunt, Alderman Larry Pappan,

Police Chief Ramona Anders, Town Clerk Amanda Anglin

Absent: None Also Present: None

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.

Mayor Jaynes opened a public hearing for Ordinance No. 4 of 2021 Title: AN ORDINANCE REGARDING WATER SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON WATER SYSTEM. No public comments or questions on the ordinance. Mayor Jaynes closed the hearing.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Alderman Pappan. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Chief Anders reported that she has been actively trying to catch any of the wild hogs that are being a nuisance in Hosston.

Mayor Jaynes reported that the repair on the standpipe leak did not hold. High-Tech will be back out on August 18th to fix the patch. The complete job on the standpipe and ground storage tank will be start on August 28th. Due to only receiving one bid on the walking trail project that was priced a lot higher than the grant awarded, we are taking the pavilion out and rebidding the project. We will build the pavilion with other funding. Mayor Jaynes reminded everyone about the free community wide luncheon every third Wednesday at noon at The Old Church House. Locks have been installed on the new trash receptacles to prevent full bags of household trash being put in them. Signs will be installed on the receptacles instructing everyone not to put garbage bags of trash in them. After that citations will be issued for illegal dumping. September 23rd is the Heritage Harvest Tour. Don't forget to plan on

decorating a scarecrow for the contest at Town Hall. Scarecrows can be set up September 15-22 and stay on display until Halloween. They will need to be removed by November 4th.

Alderman Banks made a motion to approve the July 18, 2023, regular session meeting minutes, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Alderman Pappan made a motion to approve the July 2023 financial statements, second by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Alderman Banks made a motion to amend Ordinance No. 4 of 2021 Title: AN ORDINANCE REGARDING WATER SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON WATER SYSTEM to outline the dates bill payments are due and change the \$50.00 reconnect fee to a nonpayment fee, second by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes told the Board that the budget needs to have some items amended in preparation for the end of the fiscal year. Alderman Pappan made a motion to introduce amending Ordinance No. 3 of 2022 Title: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2023, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023, second by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried. A public hearing will be held on September 19, 2023.

Mayor Jaynes presented an engineering contract she received from John French. He has provided a lot of work free of charge and would now like us to sign a contract for his work. Alderman Pappan made a motion to accept the contract, second by Alderman Banks. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes presented a quote for new security cameras Sound Minds, L.L.C. and Nash Security Systems. After reviewing both quotes, it was decided Nash Security Systems equipment would better suit our needs. Alderman Banks made a motion to accept the bid from Nash Security to replace the current cameras at town hall, police department, and library, second by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, no opposed motion carried.

Public comments were called for. There were none.

Mayor Jaynes thanked Alderman Pappan for his service to Hosston while filling in as Interim Alderman since Tiffany Payton resigned. Vickie Carter qualified unopposed for the position. She will officially become Alderman on August 18, 2023, if there is no contest.

Alderman Pappan made a motion to adjourn at 6:56 p.m., seconded by Alderman Banks. All in favor, no opposed, motion carried.	
Amanda Anglin, Town Clerk	Kim Jaynes, Mayor