

**VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 4 OF 2025**

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Board of Alderman of the Village of Hosston in due regular and legal session convened, that the following ordinance was presented as follows:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, LOUISIANA**  
**PROVIDING FOR RESTRICTIONS ON NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL RIDING IN**  
**VILLAGE POLICE UNITS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Hosston seeks to ensure the safety, liability protection, and operational integrity of its Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to establish clear guidelines regarding non-law enforcement individuals riding in police vehicles;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston, Louisiana, that:

**Section 1. Restrictions on Non-Law Enforcement Riders**

No individual who is not an active-duty law enforcement officer shall be permitted to ride in a Village of Hosston Police Department unit unless the following conditions are met:

1. The individual must complete and sign a **Private Citizen Ride-Along Waiver Form**, as well as a **Hold Harmless Waiver Form**;
2. The waiver form must be reviewed and approved by the **Chief of Police**;
3. The waiver form must be approved by the **Mayor**;
4. The waiver form must receive majority approval by the **Board of Aldermen**.

**Section 2. Exceptions**

This ordinance does not apply to individuals required by law, court order, or interagency agreement to be transported in a police vehicle, including but not limited to:

- Individuals under arrest or in official custody;
- Emergency personnel in the course of their duties;

- Authorized law enforcement trainees or interns under formal agreements.

### **Section 3. Penalties**

Any Village employee or official who knowingly violates this ordinance may be subject to administrative discipline. Unauthorized civilians found in violation may be removed from the vehicle and prohibited from future participation in ride-along activities.

### **Section 4. Effective Date**

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption and publication in accordance with law.

### **Section 5. Severability**

If any provision of this ordinance is found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remaining sections shall remain in full force and effect.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that all ordinances or parts of ordinances, resolutions or other acts in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

First Reading: May 20, 2025- Introduced and read by title and approved as read and set for Public Hearing on June 17, 2025, on motion made by Alderman \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Alderman \_\_\_\_\_.

Second Reading: June 17, 2025- Having been approved on the first reading on May 20, 2025 and after publication of notice and a public hearing, was read by title, with a motion to approve as read by Alderman \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Alderman \_\_\_\_\_ to adopt the ordinance, a record vote was taken and the result was as follows:

**Ayes:**                      **Nays:**                      **Absent:**

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**THUS ORDAINED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston, Louisiana.

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Hayden Linn, Town Clerk

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Kim Jaynes, Mayor