## **VILLAGE OF HOSSTON**

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## VILLAGE OF HOSSTON MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 18, 2025

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston met in regular session Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 6:30 pm, in the Village Hall, Hosston, LA.

Present: Mayor Kim Jaynes, Alderman Henry Blunt, Alderman Crystal Carnley, Chief Jessie Colston, Doug Dominick, Town Attorney, and Hayden Linn, Town Clerk. Absent: Alderman Misti Banks

Also Present: Rodney Carnley, Lynn Vance, Tony Neal, Bricen Prentice, Lee Anne Blunt, Victor Thomas, and Jimmy Silvio.

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

Alderman Carnley made a motion to amend the agenda to add a public records policy, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor motion carried.

A public hearing was opened at 6:32pm to for comments on amending the agenda to add a public records policy. There were no questions or comments, the hearing closed at 6:32pm.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Alderman Carnley. All in favor, motion carried.

There were no public comments on the agenda items.

Chief Colston updated the board on the activities of the Police Department. He stated that both police vehicles had recalls on them and that the recalls had been taken care of. He stated that he and Emmett Carter had completed the necessary training and were up to date on their hours for the year. He spoke with Shane Gibson with the Greenwood Police Department to get a copy of their ordinance concerning marijuana and plans to have a new ordinance for Hosston implemented.

Mayor Jaynes first wanted to state that the meetings from here on out will follow the guidelines for the Lawrason Act and Robert's Rule of Order since she was accused of not conducting meetings properly. She informed the board, as well as those that were present, that she had documentation for all the meetings concerning the development of the TA truck stop. She has documentation concerning the agreement with Edgemont Holdings for the water line to be run and would be covered by Edgemont Holdings, not Hosston. Mayor Jaynes contacted David North with DOTD to ask who owns the road in front of the TA truck stop to

which he replied, the State. She has documentation of a road permit for the highway to be expanded in front of the TA truck stop during development. Mayor Jaynes also has documentation from the Caddo Parish Commission of meetings held concerning the development of the TA truck stop. She has records from a previous meeting where the board voted to approve an alcohol permit as well as a sales tax for the TA truck stop.

Jimmy Silvio was present to give his thoughts on the 2% tax for the TA truck stop. He stated that the Caddo Parish Commission incentivized Edgemont Holdings to pay the infrastructure costs for the development of the TA truck stop and in return a tax would be implemented to pay the company back. Edgemont Holdings has upheld their end of the deal and Mr. Silvio is hoping the Caddo Parish Commission will uphold theirs. Once the 1.8 million dollars for the infrastructure is paid back to Edgemont Holdings, the TA truck stop will return to the correct tax bracket. Alderman Carnley asked what would happen if the 2% tax does not pass and Mr. Silvio stated that he would probably take his money elsewhere and not further the development here in Hosston.

Victor Thomas with the Caddo Parish Commission was present to give his thoughts on the 2% tax to which he is in favor of. He believes that if the Commission gave Edgemont Holdings their word as an incentive, then it needs to come to fruition. Mr. Thomas stated that the TA truck stop is in a TIF district, therefore, it is governed by all the districts. He hopes to see that the parish grows. He addressed the Mayor and board and asked if they wanted him not to pursue the 2% tax, then he would honor their wishes and not enact it. Mayor Jaynes and the board responded that they stand with the truck stop and want to see the 2% tax implemented.

Alderman Carnley made a motion to approve the minutes for the February 18, 2025 regular session meeting, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Alderman Carnley made a motion to approve the minutes for the March 3, 2025 special session meeting, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to approve the financials for February 2025, seconded by Alderman Carnley. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes informed the board that an account with LAMP had been opened and that the money from the First Guaranty CD had been successfully transferred to it.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to approve the public records policy for the Village of Hosston, seconded by Alderman Carnley. All in favor, motion carried.

Alderman Blunt had a public comment on the mess that CenterPoint left when fixing the gas leak behind his house. Mayor Jaynes said she would make some phone calls to see about having it cleaned up.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to adjourn at 7:31pm, seconded by Alderman Carnley. All in favor, motion carried.

Kim Jaynes, Mayor