

VILLAGE OF HOSSTON

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VILLAGE OF HOSSTON MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD JANUARY 21, 2025

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston met in regular session Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 6:30 pm, in the Village Hall, Hosston, LA.

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

Absent:

Also Present: Bricen Prentice, Emmett Carter, Vicki Carter, Michael Anders, Ramona Anders, Rodney Carnley, Erik Broussard, Mindi Broussard, Karen McInnis, Brenda Green, and Lydia Stewart.

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.

A public hearing was opened at 6:32pm for **Ordinance No. 8 of 2024** TITLE: AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, TO REVOKE AND SET ASIDE A PORTION OF A ROAD LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA. No questions or comments were made. The hearing closed at 6:32pm.

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

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Alderman Banks made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting on December 17, 2024, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Alderman Banks made a motion to approve the financials for December 2024, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Alderman Carnley made a motion to adopt **Ordinance No. 8 of 2024** TITLE: AN ORDINANCE FOR THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, TO REVOKE AND SET ASIDE A PORTION OF A ROAD LOCATED WITHIN THE TOWN LIMITS OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Ordinance No. 1 of 2025** TITLE: AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SCHEDULE FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON. *There*

will be a public hearing prior to the adoption of Ordinance No. 1 of 2025 at the Regular Town Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at the Hosston Village Hall, located at 15669 Hwy 71 Hosston, La.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to introduce **Ordinance No. 1 of 2025** TITLE: AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE SCHEDULE FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, seconded by Alderman Banks. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Ordinance No. 2 of 2025** TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO APPOINT AND FIX THE SALARY FOR THE TOWN CLERK OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON. There will be a public hearing prior to the adoption of Ordinance No. 2 of 2025 at the Regular Town Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at the Hosston Village Hall, located at 15669 Hwy 71 Hosston, La.

Alderman Banks made a motion to introduce **Ordinance No. 2 of 2025** TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO APPOINT AND FIX THE SALARY FOR THE TOWN CLERK OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Resolution No. 1 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO APPOINT HAYDEN LINN AS TAX COLLECTOR OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON.

Alderman Carnley made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 1 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO APPOINT HAYDEN LINN AS TAX COLLECTOR OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, seconded by Alderman Banks. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Resolution No. 2 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO RE-APPOINT DOUG DOMINICK AS THE TOWN ATTORNEY OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 2 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO RE-APPOINT DOUG DOMINICK AS THE TOWN ATTORNEY OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA, seconded by Alderman Carnley. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Resolution No. 3 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO SELECT MAYOR PRO TEMPORE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025.

Alderman Carnley made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 3 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO SELECT MAYOR PRO TEMPORE OF THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2025 and appoint Alderman Misti Banks as pro tempore, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Resolution No. 4 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO REMOVE RAMONA EUBANKS-ANDERS FROM THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON CREDIT CARD.

Alderman Banks made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 4 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO REMOVE RAMONA EUBANKS-ANDERS FROM THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON CREDIT CARD, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Resolution No. 5 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO ADD JESSIE COLSTON TO THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON CREDIT CARD.

Alderman Carnley made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 5 of 2025** TITLE: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION OF MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO ADD JESSIE COLSTON TO THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON CREDIT CARD, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Resolution No. 6 of 2025** TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE COMMUNITY WATER ENRICHMENT FUND (24/25) FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE VILLAGE WATER SYSTEM.

Alderman Banks made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 6 of 2025** TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE COMMUNITY WATER ENRICHMENT FUND (24/25) FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE VILLAGE WATER SYSTEM, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Resolution No. 7 of 2025** TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE LOUISIANA GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (24/25) FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE VILLAGE WATER SYSTEM.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to adopt **Resolution No. 7 of 2025** TITLE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MAYOR KIM JAYNES TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE LOUISIANA GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (24/25) FOR FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00 FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE VILLAGE WATER SYSTEM, seconded by Alderman Carnley. All in favor, motion carried.

Alderman Banks made a motion to approve Mindi Broussard to represent the Village of Hosston on the Caddo Fire District # 8 Board of Directors, with the recommendation of the mayor, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes presented the board with an updated Schedule of Fines.

Alderman Blunt made a motion to accept the new Schedule of Fines, seconded by Alderman Banks. All in favor, motion carried.

The board discussed the reimbursement that previous Police Chief Ramona Anders is requesting. Town Attorney, Doug Dominick, reached out to the CPA and to the Legislative Auditors office to determine if that is legal. He suggested tabling the reimbursement request until further word on the matter and that copies of documents be turned in by Ramona Anders. Mayor Jaynes also stated that a release would need to be signed to which Ramona Anders agreed.

Alderman Banks made a motion to table reimbursement to Ramona Anders, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Mayor Jaynes brought it to the board's attention that items purchased for the police department had not been returned by previous Police Chief Ramona Anders when she left office. Invoices document these said items. Mrs. Anders stated that she wasn't aware of anything being taken that shouldn't have, but that she would go back through the things to make sure she did not miss something. Karen McInnis suggested adopting a policy for an inventory list to avoid something like this from happening in the future. The town currently does not have a policy for that. The current Police Chief, Jessie Colston, states that he will document inventory while he is in office and make sure that it's all accounted for.

Mayor Jaynes wanted it to be on record that at the previous town meeting, Ramona Anders had told the board she would like a special meeting to be called if they chose to do so regarding her reimbursement. The board did not call a meeting. On January 31st of 2024, Mrs. Anders asked the aldermen to meet her at the police

department to witness her returning police property. She returned the items that were in her possession and at one point deleted all data on the phone/laptop of all records to get her name and data out of the system. When asked about any records that were taken during her time in office, Mrs. Anders stated that she did not have many public records because Caddo handled most of the cases that required records to be taken.

The town has contacted the State concerning the missing records and items to see what needs to be done from this point moving forward. There is also a concern with possibly having violated the open meeting law since town business involving her reimbursement was supposedly discussed when the alderman witnessed Mrs. Anders turning police property in.

Chief Colston expressed his excitement to being in Hosston and is looking forward to meeting new people in the community.

Lydia Stewart addressed the board with the issue concerning sales tax on her bills that is going to the Village of Hosston. She is no longer a resident of Hosston and wants the sales tax removed. Mayor Jaynes said she would continue to make phone calls about the issue to see if she can get it resolved and requested that Mrs. Stewart get her the bills showing where the sales tax is being taken out.

Alderman Banks made a motion to adjourn at 7:19pm, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

Kim Jaynes, Mayor