VILLAGE OF HOSSTON

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ORDINANCE NO. 4 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING WATER SERVICE PROVIDED BY THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON WATER SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston, Caddo Parish, State of Louisiana, acknowledges the need for policies for the water service provided by Hosston Water System.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston, Caddo Parish, State of Louisiana:

Section 1:

All customers needing a water meter from the Village of Hosston Water System must first have a 911 address on all residential or commercial structures, including public buildings, churches, and schools.

Section 2:

A refundable water deposit of \$75.00 plus a non-refundable connection fee of \$25.00 is required on all new water meter service. Picture identification is required for opening the account and for receiving a deposit refund when closing the account.

Section 3:

If water meter is a new installation, an additional \$125.00 hook-up fee is required. This is non-refundable. Installation is required to be done by a HOSSTON Water Operator. Property owner is responsible for all bores and initial connections.

Section 4:

The Village of Hosston is only responsible for the water system up to the first connection after

the water goes through the meter. Once the meter registers the water usage and the meter is working properly, the customer assumes responsibility and is billed for the water consumed.

Section 5:

The hook-up from the meter to the customer's home or business is the customer's responsibility.

Section 6:

Transfer of water deposits to another account may be made only with written consent from the owner(s) of the deposit, unless the cause of transfer is customer's death and then only the next of kin may assume deposit and responsibility of the bill.

Section 7:

Each residential, commercial, public buildings, etc. must have their own meter.

Section 8:

Tampering with water meters in any way to receive water without being billed for usage is against the law. Violators are subject to prosecution.

Section 9:

All residents inside Hosston Village limits are required to be connected to the water system. However, use of water wells is permitted, if the line is separate from Hosston Water System service lines.

Section 10:

The Village of Hosston reserves the right to discontinue water services at any time, with or without advance notice, to make emergency or other repairs.

Section 11:

The Village of Hosston reserves the right to discontinue water services immediately, with or without notification to occupants or owners if there is a severe water leak detected on their property including inside their residence. The Village of Hosston will make every effort to notify the occupant or owner as soon as possible. By this action we hope to avoid a large water bill to our customer, to minimize water damage to the residence, and to save the Village undue wear on the water system as well as save the chemicals we must add to the system.

Section 12:

Water meters are the property of the Village of Hosston. The shut-off valve on the meter belongs to the Village of Hosston and is intended for use only by the Village during maintenance operations. Should a Village of Hosston Water System customer choose to attempt to turn their water meter off themselves instead of contacting the water department for assistance, the customer will be responsible for any damage that might occur to the water meter. Section 13:

Water services may be suspended upon request of the customer if their meter deposit has been left in place. The customer will incur no expense during this period and the meter will be locked, however when the water meter is turned back on, there will be a \$25.00 charge on the first billing cycle for reconnection.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen, Village of Hosston, in due, legal and regular meeting convened that;

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall be in immediate effect.

First Reading: May 18, 2021 – Introduced and read by title and approved as read and set for Public Hearing on June 15, 2021 with a motion made by Alderman ______, seconded by Alderman ______.

Second Reading: June 15, 2021 – Having been approved on the first reading on May 18, 2021 and after publication of notice and a public hearing, was read by title, with motion to approve as read by Alderman , seconded by Alderman .

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

THUS DONE, ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED by the Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston, Caddo Parish, State of Louisiana, at a meeting of said public body, duly help and conducted on June 15, 2021 in the Hosston Village Hall for the Village of Hosston.

Amanda Anglin, Town Clerk

Date Delivered to Mayor: June 15, 2021 Date Received by Mayor: June 15, 2021 Approved by the Mayor of the Village of Hosston on this 15th day of June 2021

Kim Jaynes, Mayor

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PARISH OF CADDO

I, the undersigned Town Clerk of the Village of Hosston, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, do hereby certify the foregoing Ordinance No. 4 of 2021 to be a true copy of the Ordinance as the same appears filed in this office

This, the 15th day of June 2021

Amanda Anglin, Town Clerk