

# VILLAGE OF HOSSTON

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Alderman: Vicki Carter

## VILLAGE OF HOSSTON MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 19, 2024

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Village of Hosston met in regular session Tuesday, November 19, 2024, at 6:30 pm, in the Village Hall, Hosston, LA.

Present: Mayor Kim Jaynes, Alderman Misti Banks, Alderman Henry Blunt, Alderman Vicki Carter, Chief Ramona Anders, and Hayden Linn, Town Clerk.

Absent:

Also Present: Lee Ann Blunt, Bricen Prentice, Emmett Carter, Rodney Carnley, Crystal Carnley, Michael Anders, Jessie Colston, Cecil (Shon) Littlejohn, 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 Anders and all present joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Alderman Carter made a motion to amend the agenda to add surplus items, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

There were no public comments on agenda items.

Water Operator, Cecil (Shon) Littlejohn, gave an update on the condition of the water. He stated that there is an issue with rust around the standpipe, but the contractor has been notified and will hopefully take care of the problem. The standpipe is currently under warranty with the contractor. There was also a small leak on a section of some piping that was able to be fixed with a clamp. Mayor Jaynes informed the board that no lead lines were detected when inventory was taken, so no lines needed replacing.

Chief Anders informed the board that she had given it a lot of thought and would be submitting receipts for reimbursement to the town being that it was an inconvenience that the town did not provide her with insurance.

Alderman Carter made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular session meeting on October 15, 2024, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.

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

Mayor Jaynes introduced **Ordinance No. 6 of 2024** TITLE: AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 6 OF 2023 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF HOSSTON, PARISH OF CADDO, STATE OF LOUISIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024, AND ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 2024. There will be a public hearing prior to the adoption of Ordinance No. 6 of 2024 at the Regular Town Council Meeting at 6:30p.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2024, at the Hosston Village Hall, located at 15669 Hwy 71 Hosston, La.

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Mayor Jaynes pointed out the increase in the town's income with the new interest rates offered by First Guaranty, since the last meeting. She also stated that she had been trying to get in touch with Citizen's Bank to see what interest rates they would offer the town.

The board discussed the program Quick-PD. This program is used by most of the smaller towns/villages in the area and was recommended by members of the LSCP. The program will allow the public to make ticket payments online as well as keep up with all state fees that are to be sent monthly.

The surplus items added to the agenda were not discussed.

Lydia Stewart addressed the board with a question concerning sales tax on her telephone. Mrs. Stewart also informed the board of an issue concerning a trailer house that had been moved in on Willow Lane. She asked if the Ordinance concerning the age of a trailer house was still in place and brought it to the board's attention that an electric line was being used in a hazardous manner. Mayor Jaynes informed Mrs. Stewart that she would see to the issue.

Brenda Green voiced her concern of police coverage with the newly elected Police Chief, Jessie Colston. She addressed Mr. Colston and wanted to know what it is that she is to do for various situations. Mr. Colston informed Mrs. Green that if it is an emergency, then she is to call 911 first, but if she feels like it's not an emergency then call him, and he will see to the matter. He stated, once again, that the only time he will not leave to see to a matter is if he is behind the pulpit preaching. He said that once he leaves the service, he would be more than happy to ride over and attend to the issue.

Bricen Prentice informed the board that he was offended by how he felt the previous meeting was conducted. He felt that the issues that were discussed were all being placed at one target and did not feel that it was necessary. Mayor Jaynes apologized that he felt offended and assured him that it would never happen in her town meeting again. She stated that she tries to give everyone the same opportunity to speak.

Alderman Carter made a motion to adjourn at 7:28pm, seconded by Alderman Blunt. All in favor, motion carried.