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Minutes for Public Meeting May 13, 2025

- 1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor James "Spike" Harris.
- 2. **Roll Call**: A quorum was established with the following members present (Aldermen Flowers, Ginn, and Evans). **Absent:** Alderman Siadek and Hunter.
- 3. Invocation: The invocation was held by Alderman Ginn.
- 4. **Pledge**: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Flowers.
- 5. **Public Comments**: A citizen inquired about a street sign for Hwy 4 and Moffett Drive. (Alderman Hunter was marked late at 6:03 p.m.).

Mayor Harris asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add 9A to move 1707 E. Main Street (Rivers of Joy Church) from residential to commercial. Alderman at Large Evans made the motion, seconded by Alderman Hunter. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

Alderman Flowers requested to add 17B to the agenda to reimburse David Thompson. Mayor Harris asked for a motion. Alderman Hunter made the motion, seconded by Alderman at Large. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

- 6. **Approval of Agenda:** Alderman at Large Evans made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Alderman Hunter. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 7. **Approval of Minutes for April 2025:** Alderman Flowers made a motion to approve the minutes from April 2025, seconded by Alderman at Large Evans. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 8. **Approval of Financials for April 2025:** Alderman Hunter made a motion to approve the financials for April 2025, seconded by Alderman at Large. No discussion. The motion passed with 3 yays (Alderman at Large Evans, Alderman Ginn, and Alderman Hunter). 1 nay (Alderman Flowers). Motion passed.
- 9. **Discuss Entergy Bill:** Mayor Harris discussed why the town owes Entergy such a large amount.
 - A. To Introduce an Ordinance to make 1707 E. Main Street from residential to commercial: Alderman at Large Evans made a motion to introduce ordinance, seconded by Alderman Ginn. The motion passed with 3 yays (Alderman at Large Evans, Alderman Ginn and Alderman Hunter). 1 abstain (Alderman Flowers). No discussion. Motion passed.

- 10. Introduce Ordinance Amending the Budget for FY Beginning July 1, 2024, and Ending June 30, 2025: Motion to Table. Alderman Flowers motion, second by Alderman at Large Evans. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 11. Introduce Ordinance 2025-004 Adopting the Budget Beginning FY July 1, 2025, and Ending June 30, 2026: Motion to Table. Alderman Flowers motion, second by Alderman at Large Evans. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 12. **To Introduce an Ordinance 2025-005 Adopting Garbage Rates for the Town of Jonesboro:** Motion to Table. Alderman Flowers motion, second by Alderman at Large Evans. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 13. **To Introduce an Ordinance 2025-006 Regulating the Size and Location of Signs:**Alderman Flowers made a motion, seconded by Hunter. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 14. To adopt a Resolution 2025-009 to enter Cooperative Endeavor with Jackson Parish for Street Repair: Alderman Ginn made a motion, seconded by Hunter. 3 yays (Alderman Ginn, Alderman Hunter and Alderman Flowers) 1 abstain (Alderman at Large Evans). Motion passed.
- 15. **Discuss and Act upon Proposal from IBTS:** Alderman Ginn made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hunter. All in favor, motion passed.
- 16. Department Head Reports:
 - A. Police Department
 - B. Compliance
 - C. Public Works
 - D. Fire Department
- 17. **Approval of Department Heads:** Alderman Ginn made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hunter. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
 - **A.** Reimbursement to David Thompson: Alderman Flowers a made motion, seconded by Alderman Hunter. All in favor, motion passed.
- 18. Alderman Comments
- 19. Mayor's Comments: Mayor Harris thanks everyone for coming out.
- 20. **Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Flowers, seconded by Alderman at Large Evans. All in favor. Motion passed