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### Minutes for Public Meeting September 9th, 2025

1. **Public Hearing:** The public hearing was called to order at approximately 5:30 p.m. No discussion was had by the public.
2. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor James “Spike” Harris.
3. **Roll Call:** A quorum was established with the following members at 6 p.m.  
  
Alderman **Tracy Ginn (District A)**  
  
Alderman **Robert Hunter (District C)**  
  
Alderman **Devin Flowers (District D)**  
  
Alderman **Nia Evans (Alderman at Large)**.  
  
Absent: Alderman **Robbie Siadek (District B)**
4. **Invocation:** The invocation was given by: Alderman Hunter.
5. **Pledge:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by: Alderman Ginn.
6. **Public Comments:** Brenda Mallard: Questioned the “children’s play” sign between Moffet Dr. and Main St. Mallard asked about the non-usable utility poles laying on Moffet since last March. The question was answered by Austin Ballot, Compliance Officer, reiterating it is on back order and being handled.
7. **Approval of Agenda:** Mayor Harris asked for a motion to amend the agenda. A motion was made by Ginn; Seconded by Hunter. **Amend the Agenda:** The first amended item **(9b.)**, to Introduce an Ordinance for the surplus property located at fourth street, parcel number 0075021500. Motion made by Evans; Seconded by Ginn The second amended item was motioned by Evans. Seconded by Ginn **(9c.)**, amended the noxious weed and grass ordinance to update same in accordance with the law and to adopt a new ordinance for regulation of noxious weed and grass with current laws. The last amended item **(9d.)**, was to discuss the remaining balance of the Entergy bill and was brought to our attention by Ginn.
8. **Approval of Minutes for August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2025:** Motion made by Evans; Seconded by Ginn. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

9. **Approval of Financials for June 2025:** Motion made by Ginn; Seconded by Evans. All in favor. Motion passed.
10. **Rozier, McKay, and Willis CPA Firm Presentation:** Motion made by Evans; Seconded by Ginn. Discussion was held by partner. Emily Velimen.

- A. **Amended Item(9b.):** Introduce Ordinance to Surplus Property located at Fourth Street; Parcel Number: 0075021500. Motion made by Evans; Seconded by Ginn. All in favor. Motion passed.
- B. **Amended Item(9c.):** Amend the Noxious Weed and Grass Ordinance to Update in Accordance with LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES 33:5062, ET. SEQ.. Motion made by Evans; Seconded by Ginn. All in favor; Motion passed.
- C. **Amended Item(9d.):** To Discuss Entergy bill: Ginn discussed what was the plan next for the town financially, to pay the bill in full; must've pull from different accounts and what does that mean for the budget after the fact. Mayor Harris said that this is a priority issue, and they're working with Entergy to pay it off fully in increments at various points. Town Clerk, Hudson, spoke about how the bill is expected to be paid by the end of the year. Regarding the question, where will the money come from, she spoke about the controlled short lived asset account, and how they are finding ways to properly utilize it.

11. **To Amend Resolution Adoption of Millage: 2025-012**

- A. Motion made by Ginn; Seconded by Evans. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

12. **Revoking the Dedication of the Alleyway at Jonesboro State Bank.**

- A. Motion made by Evans; Seconded by Hunter. All in favor. Motion passed.

13. **To Adopt Ordinance (2025-009) to Rezone Bamburg Street as B-1.**

- A. Motion made by Ginn; Seconded by Evans. All in favor. Motion passed.

14. **Department Head Reports:**

- A. **Police Department:** Ginn asked has the break- in rate reduced. Assistant Chief said that it hasn't any to take more precautions and to lock up our items.
- B. **Compliance:** Ballot said there have been 4 properties. Two that were affected by the noxious weed ordinance, homeowners fixed it themselves and two that are dangerous and dilapidated, were controlled burned by the fire department.
- C. **Public Works:** Mr. Warren Bradley, Asst. Public Works Director, said that 1,516 new meters were installed as of today. Bradley announced the placement of Christmas lights are being installed around the town.

**D. Fire Department:** The report by Aaron Blalock, stated there have been a total of 108 calls, 80 in city limits, 28 out the district, and burnt 6 buildings around town for training in the city limits.

15. **Approval of Department Heads:** Motion made by Flowers; Seconded by Ginn. No discussion. All in favor. Motion passed.

16. **Alderman Comments:**

**A.** Ginn: Thanked the new CPA firm. She gave an analogy to gain understanding of the debt and how we should invest our time in it.

**B.** Hunter: Thanked everyone for coming out.

**C.** Flowers: Thanked everyone who came and supported the meeting. "Pray, we move the town forward despite our differences."

**D.** Evans: Thanked everyone and acknowledged the new CPA firm.

17. **Mayor's Comments:** Spoke about a future grant and thanked everyone for coming.

18. **Adjournment:** Motion made by Flowers; Seconded by Evans. No discussion, All in favor.

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**Catrice Hudson**

**Town Clerk**

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**James "Spike" Harris**

**Mayor**