

**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF JACKSON
MAY 10, 2021 REGULAR MEETING**

All motions passed unanimously unless indicated otherwise. No public comment requested unless stated after the second on all motions.

Regular meeting. The Town of Jackson's regular monthly meeting was held in the Jackson Hall at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor James Norsworthy, III.

The prayer and pledge were lead by Don Havard.

Before the meeting began, the Mayor made a public announcement stating due to recent state and parish resolutions and orders protective mask may be worn at individual's preference but are not required.

Roll call. Present were Rafe Stewart, Don Havard, William Free, and David Guillory. Absent from the meeting was Michael Harrell.

Approval of the Agenda. Mayor Norsworthy asked for approval of the agenda and if there were any additions necessary. Additions were two, first Town Attorney D'Aquila requested to be added to the agenda for the Board of Trustees to ratify and approve again the action taken by the Town of Jackson against Dianne Quiet a.k.a. Dianne Q. Wilson. Second, Linda Karam requested to be added to the agenda regarding solid waste receptacles and the current code of ordinances. Moved by Don Havard and second by Rafe Stewart to approve the agenda with the two above additions. Motion passed.

Approval of Bills. Don Havard stated he had reviewed the bills and all was approved. Moved by Rafe Stewart and seconded by David Guillory. Motion passed.

Financial Report; Budget versus Actuals. Reports in the Board's packet and reviewed by Board of Trustees present in the open meeting.

Presentation. Mayor Norsworthy presented an award presentation for local veterans and thanked them for their service. The veterans awarded and honored were Richard Dudley and Oliver Louis Windfield. The public and all parties present thanked the Mr. Dudley and Mr. Windfield for their service.

Code enforcement report ; Cary Quiet. Mr. Quiet listed the verbal warnings he issued, notices and citations. Mr. Quiet further discussed remedies for some of the violations of the Town of Jackson and specifically the two auto shops in town. One of the local auto shops moved all vehicles out of the public's site. Mr. Quiet also noted in response to last month's meeting regarding "chemical storage containers" used as garbage receptacles, there were 47 addresses using the chemical storage containers as garbage bins. No action taken.

Old business. Linda Karam was an addition to the agenda, approved by unanimous vote. Mrs. Karam asked the non-compliant receptacle bins to be removed. Board discussion. No action taken.

Town attorney, Andrew D'Aquila requested the Board of Trustees ratify all prior acts and future acts and approve all prior acts and future acts taken by himself on behalf of the Town of Jackson in regards to the litigation between the Town of Jackson and Dianne Jacksons, a.k.a. Dianne Q. Wilson. Motion by

Don Havard to approve and ratify all prior and future acts taken by the Town attorney in regards to the pending litigation, seconded by William Free, motion passed.

Town attorney requested the Board of Trustees add approval of the April 2021 minutes to the agenda after noticing such agenda item was left off the agenda. Moved by David Guillory and second by William Free to add this agenda item to the agenda. Motion passed. Moved by Rafe Stewart to approve the April 2021 minutes without changes, seconded by David Guillory. Motion passed.

New Business:

John Manual; Dog Issue. It was discussed in public about dogs barking at night. The local police were called out for the dogs barking. It was discussed about what times the Town's ordinance addresses excessive barking. No action taken.

Resolution LGAP. Rafe Stewart has applied on behalf of the Town of Jackson for two grants, one for \$29,000.00, an LGAP grant, for the replacement of stop signs. Rafe Stewart moved for a resolution by the Board of Trustees to allow and grant him and Mayor James Norsworthy authority and approval to submit the grants to LGAP and on behalf of the Town of Jackson. Moved by Rafe Stewart, second by Don Havard. Motion passed.

Maintenance report. A written report was presented to the Board. The maintenance department requested funds to purchase a GPS systems to locate and monitor the Town of Jackson's water system and meters. Moved by Rafe Stewart and seconded by William Free. Motion passed to allow the purchase of a GPS water system by vendor under state contract.

Police report. Chief Allen reported there were sixteen (16) tickets written and five (5) arrests during the month. Chief Allen also informed the Board of Trustees of the purchase of one new police vehicle with a grant funds requested by Mr. Harrell.

Mayor's report. Mayor Norsworthy stated one mobile home application was presented to the Town during the month. The lot size met the ordinance requirements, a mobile home was present on the lot in the past, and the mobile home is compliant with the Town's ordinances. Moved by Don Havard and seconded by Rafe Stewart to approve the application pending all additional ordinance requirements are met pursuant to the ordinances of the Town of Jackson.

Public comment. One individual in the public stated the Town of Jackson should make landowners responsible for their tenant's water bills if they are unpaid. No action taken.

Motion to adjourn by William Free and second by Rafe Stewart. Motion passed.

LANNA M. MATTHEWS/SECRETARY-TREASURER

JAMES M NORSWORTHY III/MAYOR

