

**MINUTES FOR THE TOWN OF JACKSON**  
**November 8, 2021 REGULAR MEETING**

All motions passed unanimously unless indicated otherwise.

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 led by William Free.

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

Approval of the Minutes for October 2021. Moved by William Free, seconded by Mike Harrell. No public comment, motion passed.

Open floor for public comments on agenda items: Additions, Resolution for the maintenance department and the cooperative endeavor agreement needed for the police jury. Moved by Mike Harrell to add items to the agenda, seconded by Don Havard. No public comments, motion passed.

Budget versus Actual. No action taken no discussion.

New Business.

A.M.S., American Municipal Services presented by Amanda Stucker and Cary Quiet. Collection agency wherein the Town of Jackson can outsource all debt owed the municipality, free to the town with the agency's commission coming from the funds collected. Moved by Mike Harrell to allow AMS to collect outstanding debt for the utility departments and traffic fines. Second by William Free, motion passed after no public comment.

Christmas Event. Santa Clause will be in the town of Jackson this Christmas Holiday. Christmas event on December 16, 2021, the third Thursday of the month at the Jackson fire department.

Sewer Upgrade Project. Matt Leggett presented the sewer upgrade project. The plant is over 40 years old, in need of repairs and requires upgrades. There will be three states to upgrades when funding is received. Need resolution to advertise for engineer to perform work. Motion by William Free, second by David Guillory, motion passed after no public comment.

Also, our water system is current, in good condition and that may prohibit us from receiving grant funds based on need. We do not need grant funds for our water system so we will not receive.

Also, police jury is asking for a cooperative endeavor agreement with all towns and villages in the parish to pick up the debris. Discussed in open meeting, no action taken.

In regards to debris pick up and the cooperative endeavor agreement with the parish, Cary Quiet, the code enforcer, requested the Town of Jackson open its landfill and pick up hurricane debris. Moved by Mike Harrell, seconded by Don Havard, motion passed after no public comment.

Old Business. Dianne Wilson discussing her shelter project for the community. No action taken.

Department updates.

Mayor's report. Informative only. No action taken. L-Gap grant received for \$15,000 to replace street signs. Capital outlay grant of \$40,000.00 for roof on fire department building and Town Hall. Also capital outlay deadline was November 1, 2021 for \$150,000 for replacement of roofs on Town Hall, Gazebo and police building and public restrooms.

Pay raises requested for Fire Chief, Dudley. Moved by Mike Harrell and seconded by William Free, motion passed.

Attorney update. No update.

Police Report. Chief Fred Allen presented oral report. There appears to be a dog problem in Jackson at this time and the Town is in need of a dog catcher. No action taken.

Maintenance report. Presented by Matt Leggett stating nothing more to be presented that was not stated earlier in the meeting.

Code enforcement report. Cary Quiet. Mr. Quiet stated over the last month five cars covered, five cars removed. Home at 2248 is a blighted property and we need to proceed with the procedure to address blighted property. He further asked where the town can put junked vehicles if residents request the vehicle be picked up. Requested two additional blighted properties letters is issued at ½ 2317 Swing Drive and 2312 Swing Drive. Also, property located at 7076 Hwy 68 requires grass cutting.

Motion to adjourn moved by Mike Harrell, seconded by David Guillory. Motion passed.

LANNA M. MATTHEWS/SECRETARY-TREASURER

JAMES M NORSWORTHY III/MAYOR

