

MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 7, 2025 TOWN OF JACKSON

The monthly regular public meeting was held on February 7, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the Jackson Volunteer Fire Department located at 1631 Charter Street, Jackson, LA 70748. All motions passed unanimously unless stated otherwise. No public comment was made unless stated otherwise.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor James Norsworthy and the Mayor thanked everyone for their attendance.

Roll Call by the Town Clerk, Annissa Woodard, All present.

Prayer and Pledge lead by William Free.

Approval of agenda / additions or deletions. Dianne Parker requested to be added to the agenda for approval to place a "Tiny Home" in one of Jackson's subdivisions. Moved by David Guillory, seconded by William Free to add Mrs. Parker to the Agenda, the motion passed unanimously. Moved by William Free and seconded by Mike Harrell to accept the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Minutes for January 2025 were presented. Moved by William Free and seconded by Mike Harrell to accept minutes as written, motion carried.

Approval of Bills. William Free reviewed the bills and moved to pay bills, seconded by David Guillory, motion carried.

Budget versus actual. Current representation through this meeting Mayor stated the issues the Town faces are the soaring prices of work, supplies, and materials. No action taken.

Old Business-

1. 1999 Case 580 Super L. Backhoe was bid as surplus. James Durham was the highest bidder of \$15,897.29. Bid accepted.

New Business:

1. Town Attorney, Andrew J. D'Aquila resigned. Mayor Norsworthy presented Haley Major Green to the board as the new Town Attorney. Moved by Mike Harrell, seconded by David Guillory to accept the resignation of Andrew J. D'Aquila and approve the mayor's appointment of Haley Major Green as the new Town Attorney of Jackson, Louisiana at the pay of \$725.00 a month.
2. Dianne Parker and placement of a tiny home. There was discussion about the Town allowing Mrs. Parker to place the home on her property in a developed subdivision. There were discussions of covenants and restrictions of Salle Dale Subdivision that may be on file and affecting said subdivision. It was acknowledged that there are no Town of Jackson ordinances that would prohibit a Tiny Home in that subdivision, although Mrs. Parker was directed to check out the public records to determine if there are any covenants and restrictions that may prohibit it her from moving a Tiny Home into the subdivision. No Action Taken.
3. Introduced Ordinance entitled "Golf Cart Usage," Providing for the Allowance of Electric Golf Carts to be Permitted and Drive on Certain Designated Public Roads and Streets within the

Town of Jackson Corporation Limits,” Public Hearing will be held Monday, March 10, 2025
@5:30 PM

Maintenance Report. There was lots of fun in the freeze in Jackson, it was 6 degrees and Jackson’s heaters “tripped out” causing chlorine levels to be low in the water supply and therefore there was a boil water issue in town. Keep in mind, water was not lost, only disinfection, therefore a boil water advisory was issued.

Water Tower project stalled, electrical issues and controls not working and the Town is working on it. New Backhoe may be arriving by the end of March or the beginning of April.

Phase 1 of the sewer project is complete and an aerator will arrive soon and be installed. There is a grant with a 20% match on \$2,000,000.00.

Police Report. Presented by Chief Harrell, he thanked the Town of Jackson for conduct during the snow storm and that he was happy people stayed off Street. Thank you, Jackson. There were 325 calls from January to February, 62 tickets written, 39 tickets paid, 27 bench warrants issued and multiple drug arrest and narcotics arrest.

Code Enforcement Report. Mr. Cary Quiet presented an oral report. 4 homes removed. Mr. Quiet presented photos of before and after demolished homes. Cars are not being removed from the properties without the necessity of having to issue citations.

Attorney Report. Andrew J. D’Aquila thanked everyone for allowing him to serve ten years as Town Attorney in the Beautiful Town of Jackson. It was educational and I enjoyed working with such a great staff and warm and welcoming community.

Mayor’s comments. Mayor Thanked everyone for attendance and stated the Town is primed to do well and praised Mr. Cary Quiet for the work he has completed. The mayor stated the Town has spilt the insurance coverage for the Town of Jackson between Risk Management and Record Agency to insure the Town of Jackson.

Moved by to adjourn moved by Mike Harrell, seconded by David Guillory, motion carried, meeting adjourned.