

Mayor James "Spike" Harris

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Minutes for Public Meeting March 11, 2025

- 1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Mayor James "Spike" Harris.
- Roll Call: A quorum was established with the following members present (Aldermen Flowers, Ginn, Hunter, Evans, and Siadek).
- 3. **Invocation:** The invocation was held by Alderman Hunter.
- 4. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Sidek.
- Public Comments: Mr. Huey and Diana Garner updated the council on the future for the property located by the fire station.

Mayor Harris asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add a resolution for 10A to accept the donation of the National Guard Armory. Alderman Siadek made the motion, seconded by Alderman at Large Evans. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.

- **6. Approval of Agenda:** Alderman at Large Evans made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Siadek. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 7. **Approval of Minutes of February 2025:** A motion to approve the minutes from February 2025 was made by Alderman Hunter, seconded by Alderman Flowers. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- **8. Approval of Financials of January 2025:** A motion to table the financials for January 2025 was made by Alderman Flowers, seconded by Alderman Hunter. All in favor, motion passed.
- 9. **Approval of Financials from February 2025**: A motion to approve the financials from February 2025 was made by Alderman at Large Evans, seconded by Alderman Siadek. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 10. To Introduce an Ordinance to Adjust Church Rates to Residential Rates: A motion to introduce an ordinance to adjust church rates to residential rates was made by Alderman Siadek, seconded by Evans. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed. A public hearing will be set for Tuesday, April 08, 2025, at 5:30 pm.
 - **10A. To Introduce a Resolution to Accept a Donation for National Guard Armory:** A motion was made to accept a donation for the national guard Armory was made by Alderman Siadek, seconded by Alderman at Large Evans. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 11. To Adopt a Resolution to maintain permit requirements in the Louisiana Pollution Discharge Elimination System (LPDS) MWPP:
 - A. North Oxidation Pond- LA0046477: A motion was made by Alderman Evans, Seconded by Flowers. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
 - B. **South Oxidation Pond- LA0038547:** A motion was made by Alderman Siadek, seconded by Hunter. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
 - C. East Oxidation Pond- LA0038539: A motion was made by Alderman Flowers, seconded by Evans. No discussion, all in favor. Motion passed.
- 12. Discussion of Waste Connection's Contract: River City presented the council with a quote for a rear loader garbage truck. Waste Connections contract is set to expire July 2025. Mayor Harris asked for a motion to amend the agenda to vote on the contract from River City. Alderman at Large Evans made the motion, seconded by Alderman Flowers. Motion passed.

12A. To Approve a Contract from River City for a Rear Loader Garbage truck. A motion to approve the contract for a rear loader garbage truck was made by Alderman Flowers, seconded by Alderman Evans. All in favor, motion passed.

13. Department Head Report:

- A. Police Department: Assistant Chief Johnson updated the council on service calls and fines.
- B. Compliance: Compliance Officer Ballott updated the council on the progress of condemned properties.
- **C. Public Works:** Assistant Director Bradley updated the council of the progress of the lift stations, water wells, and the upcoming water meter project.
- **D. Fire Department:** Chief Blalock updated the council on the total calls for the month.
- 14. **Approval of Department Head Report**: A motion to approve the department head reports were made by Alderman Flowers, seconded by Alderman Hunter. All in favor, motion passed.

15. Aldermen Comments:

- A. Alderman Evans: Thanks for coming.
- B. Alderman Siadek: Thanks for coming. Let's keep moving forward.
- C. Alderman Ginn: Thanks for coming. I appreciate all the employees.
- D. Alderman Hunter: Thanks for coming.
- E. Alderman Flowers: Thanks for coming.
- 16. Mayor's Comment: Thanks for coming.
- 17. **Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Flowers, seconded by Alderman at Large Evans. Motion passed.