

**MINUTES  
TOWN OF ROSEPINE  
REGULAR MEETING  
HELD AT TOWN HALL  
18846 JOHNNY B. HALL MEMORIAL HWY  
ROSEPINE, LA 70659  
MAY 14, 2020 – 7:00 PM**

Item #1 Mayor Donna Duvall called the meeting to order.

Item #2 Invocation was given by Alderman Damon Johnson.

Item #3 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Item #4 Officials Present: Mayor Donna Duvall, Aldermen BJ Bjornberg, Jeff Solinsky, Damon Johnson, Ray Blanchard, Town Clerk Melissa Davis, and Chief of Police Delbert Keel.

Officials absent: Alderman Leonard Johnson

Employees present: Public Works Director Mike Numbers and CPA Randy Brown.

Guests present: Trent McKee.

Item #5 Alderman Damon Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 12, 2020 regular meeting as presented. Seconded by Alderman Jeff Solinsky. All I's.

Item #6 Mayor Duvall thanked the employees for their continuous hard work and for doing such a great job through COVID-19, especially Ft. Polk. She informed the board that she had been working on the renewal of the contract with Ft. Polk and anticipated the signing soon. She further informed them that the contractors had went back to work on the sewer project on Bailey Road.

Item #7 Chief of Police Delbert Keel wanted to thank the Rosepine Volunteer Fire Department for handing out masks to the public for COVID-19 protection. He wanted to remind everyone not to let their guard down concerning the virus.

Item #8 Alderman Damon Johnson made a motion to accept the financial reports ending March 31, 2020 and April 30, 2020 as presented. Seconded by Alderman Jeff Solinsky. All I's.

Item #9 A motion was made by Alderman Jeff Solinsky and seconded by Alderman BJ Bjornberg to adopt Resolution #5 of 2020 (Vernon Parish Police Jury Resolution for June 2020). All I's.

Item #10 Alderman Jeff Solinsky made a motion to present Ordinance #2 of 2020 (An ordinance amending chapter 30 of the Town of Rosepine's code of ordinances by adding Article

III, Section 30-20: creating one-way traffic flow on Cedar Street from La. Highway 171 west to Louisiana Avenue between 2:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, when school is in session; providing for monetary penalties; and, an effective date). Seconded by Alderman Ray Blanchard. All I's.

Item #11 A motion was made by Alderman Jeff Solinsky that was seconded by Alderman BJ Bjornberg to Present Ordinance #3 of 2020 (An ordinance to adopt an operating budget of revenue and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021). All I's.

Item #12 Alderman Damon Johnson expressed his feeling of wanting to honor Mr. Norman Haymon, who had recently passed away, by renaming the street where he lived to Haymon Street. He stated that he wanted Williams Street from Hwy. 171 East to Second Street changed stating that it would only affect one home. The board discussed it and decided to have an ordinance present at the next regular meeting.

Item #13 Alderman Jeff Solinsky stated that he had requested that this item be put on the agenda. He further stated that he was called by Trent McKee, son of Bland McKee, concerning a tree that had fallen on his father's house. Mr. McKee expressed to him that he felt the tree had fallen due to erosion from natural drainage on his father's property and since the town was responsible for the right of way the town was responsible for removal of the trees. A lengthy discussion was held concerning the responsibility of trees in the drainage right of way on Bland McKee's property on Louisiana Avenue. Mr. McKee also felt that the town needed to do more work to the drainage area on his father's property. The board ultimately decided for the Public Works Director, Mike Numbers, to go and look at the trees in the drainage right of way and give his judgement on whether he felt they were a liability to the town. Furthermore, the board decided to get the attorney, engineers, and whoever else was needed to check into the drainage situation located on the property and possibly come up with a solution. The board expressed that they wanted the item put back on the agenda for next month.

Item #14 There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

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Melissa Davis, Town Clerk

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Donna W. Duvall, Mayor