

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF HOMER
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

COUNCIL MEETING FOR APRIL 14, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Town of Homer Mayor and Council was called to order with Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals presiding on the 14th day of April 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 400 East Main Street, Homer, Louisiana with a quorum present. The Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Xanthe Seals.

ROLL CALL

On roll call, the following were present:

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Y. Seals
District 1, Councilman Alonzo Mitchell
District 2, Councilwoman Joyce Ivory
District 3, Councilman Jimmy Hand
District 4, Councilwoman Verletha Adams
District 5, Councilman Sammy Kirk

Administrative Staff/Others Present:

Shenovia Harris, Town Treasurer/Interim Town Clerk
Public Works Superintendent-Street & Sidewalk, Derrick Burns
Public Works Superintendent-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett
David Greer, Special Administrator
Guardian Journal, Official Journal

Administrative Staff/Others Absent:

Police Chief, Van McDaniel

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED MARCH 10, 2025

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve minutes for regular meeting held March 10, 2025. Motion was made by Councilman Sammy Kirk and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. Motion passes unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

SPECIAL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Greer, Fiscal Administrator, reported that sales tax projections are 10% lower in 2025 compared to 2024 and 3% lower from 2023 to 2024. Mr. Greer also reported that the check has been received from the Claiborne Parish Sheriff Office (CPSO) that was withheld for police calls. The Mayor and Council were also made aware of discrepancies that were discovered while reviewing fuel invoices dating from May 2024-Feb 2025 within the police department, which resulted in arrest of two former police officers.

Mr. Koskie, external accountant, reported that accounts are in decent shape and accounts payables are current with vendors. Mr. Koskie reviewed the financial reports with the Mayor and Council.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Resolution #25-007-Resolution to Amend the Sales Tax Allocation for 2025

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Resolution #25-007-Resolution to amend the Sales Tax Allocation for 2025 as recommended by Fiscal Administrator, David Greer. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Alonzo Mitchell. Motion passes unanimously.

Approve Alcohol Beverage Permit for Jerry Carroll Birthday Party Event on April 26, 2025

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve an Alcohol Beverage Permit for Jerry Carroll Birthday Party Event to be held on April 26, 2025. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Alonzo Mitchell. Motion passes unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Seals reported that the "Love the Boot" Campaign was a success. Mayor Seals thanked all the volunteers who participated.

COUNCIL

Councilman Alonzo Mitchell recognized the Public Works Department. Councilman Jimmy Hand acknowledged Mr. Greer and Mr. Koskie for their work as well as the Public Works Department. Councilwoman Verletha Adams also recognized the Public Works Department. Councilman Sammy Kirk appreciated the entrepreneurs and everyone working together.

PUBLIC WORKS

Vivian Moffett, Water & Sewer Superintendent, reported that the leak has been repaired at ABX. Derrick Burns, Street Superintendent commended Mr. Greer and Mr. Koskie for their work.

AIRPORT

Mr. Whittington reported that maintenance is needed on the grass at the Airport.

POLICE

None

ADJOURN

With no other business to be addressed, Mayor Seals entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion was made by Councilman Sammy Kirk and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. Motion passes unanimously.

I, SHENOVIA HARRIS, TREASURER, TOWN OF HOMER, DO CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE CONSTITUTES A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF THE MEETING MINUTES HELD BETWEEN THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF THE TOWN OF HOMER, THIS 14th DAY OF APRIL 2025, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

INTERIM CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA