

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

**COUNCIL MEETING FOR DECEMBER 9, 2024**

**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 9th day of December 2024 at 6:00p.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:**

Police Chief, Van McDaniel  
Public Works Superintendent-Street & Sidewalk, Derrick Burns  
Public Works Superintendent-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett  
Town Attorney, Ronald Lattier  
David Greer, Special Administrator

**Members Absent:**

Town Treasurer, Shenovia Harris  
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**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DATED November 18, 2024.**

Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve minutes for regular meeting held November 18, 2024. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Sammy Kirk. Minutes from the regular meeting held November 18, 2024, were unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were several questions and concerns raised by citizens pertaining to several issues. Most comments were pertaining to Ordinance #24-004, the modification of the debt service of the Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2013.

**SPECIAL ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. David Greer addressed additional questions concerning Ordinance #24-004. Also, spoke to the Town of Homer overall indebtedness, reviewing all funds, the restructuring of the remaining two outstanding bonds as well as the finalization of the 2025 Budget.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:****APPROVE 2025 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

After discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve HOLIDAY SCHEDULE. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Alonzo Mitchell. Motion Passes Unanimously.

**APPROVE 2025 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE.**

After discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve the COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Alonzo Mitchell. Motion Passes Unanimously.

**APPROVE 2025 TOWN COURT SCHEDULE.**

After discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve COURT SCHEDULE. Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Alonzo Mitchell. Motion Passes Unanimously.

**APPROVE 1 DAY ALCOHOL PERMIT FOR TROY & TAMMY HAMILTON** for RETIREMENT PARTY on December 21, 2024. Motion was made by Councilwoman Verletha Adams and seconded by Councilman Sammy Kirk. Motion Passes Unanimously.

**APPROVE ORDINANCE #24-004** – An ordinance supplementing and amending a bond ordinance adopted on April 1, 2013, authorizing the issuance of Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2013 of the Town of Homer, State of Louisiana, to modify the debt service schedule of such bonds, and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

After discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve Ordinance #24-004.

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #24-005 – 2025 Budget Town of Homer.**  
Mayor Seals introduce the 2025 Town of Homer Budget

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

**MAYOR**

Mayor Seals wished everyone Happy Holidays and Merry Christmas.

**COUNCIL**

Councilman Mitchell wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilwoman Ivory wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Hand commended the Citizens interest in what was going on in the town.

Councilwoman Adams wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Kirk expressed his compassion for the citizens, a desire to move forward and Merry Christmas.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Superintendent Moffett spoke about issues and repairs addressed during the past month.

Superintendent Burns had no comment.

**AIRPORT**

Mr. Whitton had no comment.

**POLICE**

Chief Van McDaniel addressed his concerns and issues regarding the Homer Police Department and the community.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Officer Dunn was not present.

**ADJOURN**

With no other business to be addressed, Mayor Seals entertained a motion to adjourn.

Motion was made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Sammy Kirk.  
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 9th DAY OF DECEMBER 2024, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

INTERIM CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA

***PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF HOMER  
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**PUBLIC HEARING-ORDINANCE #24-005 FOR DECEMBER 19, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

THE PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN OF HOMER MAYOR AND COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER WITH MAYOR Dr. Xanthe Seals presiding on the 19th day of December 2024 at 5:00 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 3, Councilman Jimmy Hand  
District 4, Councilwoman Verletha Adams  
District 5, Councilman Sammy Kirk

**Administrative Staff/Others Present:**

Town Attorney, Ronald Lattier  
Police Chief, Van McDaniel

**Members Absent:**

District 2, Councilwoman Joyce Ivory  
Town Clerk & Treasurer, Shenovia Harris  
Public Works Dept.-Street & Sidewalk, Derrick Burns  
Public Works Dept.-Water & Sewer, Vivian Moffett  
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**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Mayor Seals explained the 2025 Town of Homer Budget. After additional guidance by Town Attorney Ron Lattier. The official Roll Call was conducted, and the floor was opened to public comments. Although there were comments from council members there were NO PUBLIC COMMENTS made concerning Ordinance #24-005.

**ADJOURN**

There being no other matters present before the Mayor and Board of Selectmen with a motion made by Councilman Jimmy Hand and seconded by Councilman Alonzo Mitchel. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned. (4) Ayes- (0) Nays- (0) Abstain- (1) Absent

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INTERIM CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA

***PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF HOMER  
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**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING FOR DECEMBER 19, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN OF HOMER MAYOR AND COUNCIL WAS CALLED TO ORDER WITH MAYOR Dr. Xanthe Seals presiding on the 19th day of December 2024 at 5:34 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 3, Councilman Jimmy Hand  
District 4, Councilwoman Verletha Adams  
District 5, Councilman Sammy Kirk

**Administrative Staff/Others Present:**

Town Attorney, Ronald Lattier  
Police Chief, Van McDaniel

**Members Absent:**

District 2, Councilwoman Joyce Ivory  
Town Clerk & Treasurer, Shenovia Harris  
Public Works Dept.-Street & Sidewalk, Derrick Burns  
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**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

There were no Public comments made concerning Ordinance #24-005.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Approve Ordinance #24-005 – 2025 Budget, Town of Homer**

After a discussion, Mayor Dr. Xanthe Seals entertained a motion to approve ORDINANCE #24-005. Motion was made by Councilman Sammy Kirk and seconded by Councilman Jimmy Hand. 4-Yays (Mitchell, Hand, Adams, Kirk), 0-Nays, 0-Abstain, 1-Absent Motion Passes

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no other matters present before the Mayor and Board of Selectmen with a motion made by Councilman Sammy Kirk and seconded by Councilwoman Verletha Adams. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned. (4) Ayes- (0) Nays- (0) Abstain- (1) Absent

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 19<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2024, IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, HOMER, LOUISIANA.

INTERIM CLERK, TOWN OF HOMER, HOMER, LA