Town of Simmesport

Leslie Draper, Mayor 372 Mission Drive ◆ Post Office Box 145 SIMMESPORT, LOUISIANA 71369 Board of Aldermen

District 1: Ted Turner
District 2: Kenneth L. Marsh
District 3: Myron K. Brown
District 4: Sherman R. Bell

Alderman-At-Large: Jacob Coco

October 12, 2017 Regular Town Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the special meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Simmesport held at the Simmesport Town Hall on Thursday October 12, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

Presiding: Mayor Leslie Draper

Members Present: Ted Turner, Myron Brown, Kenneth Marsh, Sherman Bell, Jacob Coco

Members Absent: none

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Draper and was opened with a prayer given by Alderman Myron Brown followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Alderman Marsh and seconded by Alderman Bell that minutes of the last meeting be accepted. All present voted in favor of the motion to approve the minutes and the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Coco that the agenda be approved. All present voted in favor of the motion to approve the agenda and the motion was carried.

A report was made by Mayor Draper that the hours for Trick-or-Treating on Tuesday, October 31, 2017 are from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM.

A motion was made by Alderman Brown and seconded by Alderman Coco that the town government be shut down for a Staff Development Day every third Friday of the month barring emergencies or special circumstances as determined by the Mayor. The shutdown would not include the police department. All present voted in favor of the motion to approve the Staff Development Day and the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Marsh that the community center be used to host a workshop for battered women. The date of the workshop is to be determined. All present voted in favor of the motion to allow the use of the community center for the workshop and the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Marsh and seconded by Alderman Bell to allow the use of the town facilities (*the Town Hall or the Senior Center depending on the size of the turn-out*) for a meeting hosted by District Attorney Charles Riddle, III for his Saving Our Community program to be presented on October 26, 2017 at 6 PM. All present voted in favor of the motion allowing

the D.A. use of the Town Buildings to host the Saving our Community program and the motion was carried.

A report was made by the Johnson Law Firm that a new resolution would have to be passed for the purchasing of the five (5) new police cars. This resolution would have to be passed at a subsequent meeting as one more detail would have to added to the resolution.

A report was made by Mayor Draper to the Council that the report of a Town of Simmesport inhouse audit would be delivered to the council on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 5 PM.

A motion was made by Alderman Coco and seconded by Alderman Brown to go into executive session. All present voted in favor of the motion to go into executive session and the motion was carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Marsh and seconded by Alderman Brown to come out of executive session. All present voted in favor of the motion to come out of executive session and the motion was carried.

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Alderman Marsh and seconded by Alderman Brown that the meeting be adjourned. All present voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Leslie Draper, Mayor