Town of Simmesport

Leslie Draper III, Mayor

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Board of Aldermen

Alderman At Large: Jacob Coco

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

September 10, 2018 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 Monday, September 10, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.

Presiding: Mayor Leslie Draper III

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

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 Coco and seconded by Alderman Turner that that the agenda be approved. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		
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The motion was carried

A motion was made by Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Turner accept the minutes from the last meeting. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		



The motion was carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Coco and seconded by Alderman Marsh to pay the bills. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

The motion was carried

A representative from APAC and New Bethel Baptist Church (*she represented both organization and requested two separate dates; one date for each organization*) requested permission to hold a road block fundraiser at the earliest available date. A motion was made by Alderman Bell and seconded by Alderman Brown that APAC and New Bethel Baptist Church be allowed to hold two, separate roadblock fundraisers on the next available dates. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

The motion was carried

The Town Council voted to adopt **Amended Ordinance 05-2018-01**, having been introduced on the 10th day of September, 2018, by Town of Simmesport, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, a record vote was taken and the following was had:

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Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X	-	·
Alderman Turner	X		·

Whereupon, the presiding officer declared the above amended Ordinance duly adopted on 10th day of September, 2018.



The Town Council voted to adopt **Amended Ordinance 05-2018-02**, having been introduced on the 10th day of September, 2018, by Town of Simmesport, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, a record vote was taken and the following was had:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X	-	
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

Whereupon, the presiding officer declared the above amended Ordinance duly adopted on 10th day of September, 2018.

The Town Council voted to adopt **Amended Ordinance 05-2018-03**, having been introduced on the 10th day of September, 2018, by Town of Simmesport, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, a record vote was taken and the following was had:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

Whereupon, the presiding officer declared the above amended Ordinance duly adopted on 10th day of September, 2018.

The Town Council voted to adopt **Amended Ordinance 05-2018-04**, having been introduced on the 10th day of September, 2018, by Town of Simmesport, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, a record vote was taken and the following was had:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		(
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

Whereupon, the presiding officer declared the above amended Ordinance duly adopted on 10th day of September, 2018.



The Town Council voted to adopt **Amended Ordinance 05-2018-05**, having been introduced on the 10th day of September, 2018, by Town of Simmesport, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, a record vote was taken and the following was had:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

Whereupon, the presiding officer declared the above amended Ordinance duly adopted on 10th day of September, 2018.

The Town Council voted to adopt **Amended Ordinance 05-2018-06**, having been introduced on the 10th day of September, 2018, by Town of Simmesport, notice of public hearing having been published, said public hearing having been held, a record vote was taken and the following was had:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

Whereupon, the presiding officer declared the above amended Ordinance duly adopted on 10th day of September, 2018.

Engineer Jeremy Hebron told the council that the engineering firm was going ahead to apply for the USDA grant to do an engineering study on the town to asses what areas of the town are in need. Mr. Hebron reported that his firm was only waiting on the recent Town of Simmesport audit to be completed to apply for the study grant.

Chief Jacobs gave a report on the calls for service and arrests for the month of August. He also introduced a new police officer, Roger Witty, to the Town Council. The chief also reported that current full-time officer, Crystal Duckworth, was being moved to part-time.

Town attorney from the Johnson Law Firm was absent.

Alderman Turner informed the council that a number of potholes needed to be repaired at various. Places in town. Mayor Draper related to the council that a palate of the Road Repair material (for fixing potholes) had come in that day (September 10)



There being no further business, a motion was made by Alderman Turner and seconded by Alderman Bell to adjourn. All present voted as follows:

	FOR	AGAINST	ABSENT
Alderman Bell	X		
Alderman Brown	X		
Alderman Coco	X		
Alderman Marsh	X		
Alderman Turner	X		

The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned.

Leslie Draper III, Mayor

Dacia Adams, Town Clerk