

TOWN OF MARION
REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
MARCH 11th, 2025

The Town of Marion's Board of Aldermen met on Tuesday, March 11th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Marion Fire Station for a regular business meeting. Members present included: Mayor Danny A. Smith, Aldermen Mark Andrews, Eugene “Bubba” Hoggatt, Channing Washington, and Alderwoman Rhonda Davis. Guests included Chief of Police Montral Ferguson, Assistant Public Works Director Tyler Murray, Town Clerk Rebecca Worthington, and Assistant Clerk Cheryl Geoghagan. Alderwoman Tina Harris was absent.

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order. Alderman Hoggatt led the invocation, and Tyler Murray led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Smith called for approval of the agenda. On motion by Alderwoman Davis, seconded by Alderman Hoggatt, the motion passed.

Mayor Smith welcomed guests and, as required by state law, opened the floor to public comments concerning all agenda items.

No public comments were made. Ordinance 2025-02 was voted on during this time with the following result;

Yeas: Andrews, Davis, Hoggatt

Nays: None

Absent: Harris, Washington

Ordinance 2025-02 passed unanimously, changing the day of the town council meeting from the second Tuesday of each month to the third Tuesday, 7 pm at the Marion Fire Station.

On motion by Alderwoman Davis to approve the agenda, seconded by Alderman Hoggatt. Motion passed.

On motion by Alderman Hoggatt, seconded by Alderwoman Davis, to approve the February 11th, 2025, regular business meeting minutes. Motion carried.



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On motion by Alderwoman Davis, seconded by Alderman Washington, the budget was approved to actual financial reports. The motion carried.

Mayor Smith reported on Old Business.

Insulation has been installed in the Town Hall building, reducing energy costs.

The town has been approved for a Claiborne Electric Roundup Grant for additional computers needed at Town Hall.

The town will now be storing its equipment at the Water Tank Road Yard.

The Bobby Joe Douglas weekend was a huge success and will now be an annual tradition in Marion.

The town is consistently pursuing grant opportunities and is excited to see what opportunities are in our future.

Mayor Smith introduced New Business.

The Public Works Director is meeting with the head contractor of EPC to start addressing the damage that has occurred from the construction in town.

On motion by Alderman Hoggatt, seconded by Alderwoman Davis, to adopt the MWPP 2025 resolution. Motion passed.

Alderwoman Davis introduced Ordinance 2025-03, amending Ordinance NO. 6 of 1992 pertaining to closing hours and time stipulated for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

On motion by Alderman Hoggatt, seconded by Alderwoman Davis, to pass the LITACorp Resolution. Motion carried.

Mayor Smith introduced a town vehicle policy regarding employee use of town vehicles. The council will review and vote at the next meeting.

There will be a townwide Keep Louisiana Beautiful Clean-up on April 12th at 10 am with a cook-out to follow at 11 am at the Marion Fire Station.

On motion by Alderwoman Davis, seconded by Alderman Hoggatt, to pay bills. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the council, Mayor Smith adjourned this meeting on the 11th day of March 2025. Upon motion by Alderman Hoggatt, seconded by Andrews and unanimously approved.



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Danny A. Smith, Mayor

Rebecca Worthington, Town Clerk



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