



The regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at the Abita Springs Town Hall. Mayor Curtis called the meeting to order.

**MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Mayor Curtis announced that repairs on the water tower will begin on June 2, 2025. During the repair period, the tower will be bypassed, and the scheduled five-year inspection and cleaning will also be completed.

Work on underground piping and framing at the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) is set to begin next week. The project remains on schedule, barring any significant weather delays.

Regarding the adjusted maximum millage rate, the Mayor stated that while information is still being gathered, he does not currently support rolling it forward to increase taxes. This issue will be brought before the Council for a vote at an upcoming meeting.

The Administration also met with CLECO and WSTE concerning recent tree-trimming activity. CLECO noted they are currently working in Abita Springs as part of a town-wide maintenance plan. The Town is currently reviewing the scope of its responsibilities and options regarding tree cutting and trimming on utility servitudes and will update the Board.

**ROLL CALL:** Aldermen Boudreaux, Contois, Saussy, and Templet were present. Alderman Patterson was absent. Alderman Saussy made the motion to accept the minutes of the April 15, 2025, meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Boudreaux and passed unanimously without discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Mayor Curtis opened a discussion on potential projects under the Safe Streets for All initiative, prioritizing crosswalks on Hwy 59 at Heintz St and Centerboard St. Desire Line believes the Town is well-positioned for grant funding. The Council was generally in agreement that the Town would benefit from the program but requested more detailed information to evaluate feasibility. Mayor Curtis asked Council members to submit their concerns and recommendations to the Administration prior to the next meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:** There was no old business to discuss.

**OPEN/ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Eastman shared his research and reasoning behind recommending a special zoning designation for Tammany Trace to protect it from overdevelopment. The Administration advised him to bring the matter to the Planning & Zoning meeting for further discussion. Ms. Wiggins mentioned upcoming legislation concerning drinking water and medicals, encouraging the Council to review the proposals and contact their representatives in opposition. Ms. Slifer gave a report on the recent cleanup efforts on Hwy 435 within the Town boundaries and new recycling bins that may be available in the near future.

At the conclusion of the public remarks, Alderman Saussy moved to adjourn the meeting, with a second from Alderman Contois. The motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED  
Respectfully submitted this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2025.

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Janet Dufrene, Town Clerk

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Honorable Daniel J. Curtis, Mayor