

Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 6:00 o'clock P.M.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana met in regular session with Mayor Jude Reese presiding and the following Aldermen present:

Present: JOHN LASETER, ANITA DUPUIS & JASON SUIRE

Absent: EFREM LIVINGSTON & LAUREL PORTIE’

Public Comment on any item on agenda (3 minutes per person)

Motion was made by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER, and carried, that in as much as each member of the Board of Aldermen received a copy of minutes taken at Regular Meeting of March 11,2025 had no quorum and March 11, 2025, that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

Motion by JASON SUIRE was seconded by JOHN LASETER, and carried, that the reports of the Bookkeeper and Tax Collector be approved as filed.

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER, and carried that the following transfer, on the date, and amount from fund is hereby ratified and approved:

To General Fund:

March 03, 2025	Utility Fund	\$30,653.40
March 24, 2025	Utility Fund	\$28,125.53
March 31, 2025	Utility Fund	\$30,824.02
March 31, 2025	Utility Fund	\$22,965.75

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to accept the LAMP interest as presented.

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by ANITA DUPUIS and carried to accept the billing adjustments for March 2025 in the amount of \$12.38.

Larry Cramer, engineer with Sellers & Associates, gave an update on the Pump Station project and informed the governing authority that Change Order #2 is in the process which will decrease the price of the original contract approximately \$55,000.00. Welsh equipment repaired/rebuilt the gear head. The Town’s share will be approximately \$53,148.53 for Partial Payment #1 Estimate. Approval will be received from the Vermilion Parish Police Jury to accept the submitted estimate.

Mr. Cramer informed the governing authority that the survey for the project has been completed, and Sellers & Associates are sending a request for an extension on this project application.

Mr. Cramer also informed the governing authority for the LCDBG Clearance Grant and just waiting for the authorization from the state to start advertising for bids.

The following resolution was offered by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried:

A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan is a recipient of funding under the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Housing Act prohibits housing discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, familial status, sex, or disability, and directs that

the administration of housing programs be done in a manner that affirmatively furthers the purposes of fair housing laws; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan recognizes that all Gueydan residents are granted an opportunity to obtain safe, affordable, energy efficient housing; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan is committed to its duty to affirmatively further fair housing to furthering its mission by making equal access to affordable housing available to every citizen of Gueydan without regard to any citizens’ race, color, religion, national origin, familial status, sex, or disability; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan in pursuit of the goal and responsibility of affirmatively furthering fair housing opportunities for all citizens of Gueydan, that the Town of Gueydan does hereby proclaim the month of April as Fair Housing Month.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted.

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to introduce an ordinance “AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND ORDERING THE MILLAGE RATE TO BE LEVIED AGAINSY THE PROPERTY IN THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA, AND SPECIFYING THE AMOUNT OF TAXES TO BE ASSESSED AND COLLECTED AGAINST EACH DOLLAR OF ASSESSMENT VALUATION OF SAID TAX”. A public hearing will be held on May 6, 2025, at 5:45 p.m. and said ordinance will be presented for final adoption as the meeting of May 6, 2025, which begins at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by JOHN LASETER seconded by JASON SUIRE and carried to amend the agenda to include Police Chief Cru Delcambre.

Police Chief Cru Delcambre recommended the acceptance of the resignation of Etienne Boone as a full-time patrolman with the Gueydan Police Department. Motion by JASON SUIRE seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to accept the resignation of Etienne Boone as a full-time police officer with the Gueydan Police Department.

There being no further business to come before the meeting thereupon motion by JASON SUIRE seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 6:28 P.M. on this 15TH day of April 2025.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

Jude Reese
Mayor