

Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Thursday, August 7, 2025, at 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: EFREM LIVINGSTON, JOHN LASETER, & ANITA DUPUIS

Absent : LAUREL PORTIE’ & JASON SUIRE

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

Motion was made by JOHN LASETER, seconded by EFREM LIVINGSTON, and carried, that in as much as each member of the Board of Aldermen received a copy of minutes taken at Regular Meeting of July 1, 2025, that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

Motion by JOHN LASETER, seconded by EFREM LIVINGSTON, and carried, that the reports of the Bookkeeper and Tax Collector along with the discussion of budget to actuals be approved as filed.

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

To General Fund:	July 09, 2025	Utility Fund	\$30,610.90
To General Fund:	July 14, 2025	Utility Fund	\$30,000.00
To General Fund:	July 21, 2025	Utility Fund	\$ 6,000.00

Motion by JOHN LASETER seconded by ANITA DUPUIS and carried to approve the billing adjustments in the amount of \$73.51 for the month of July 2025.

LAMP interest was presented for June & July 2025. No motion or second was made.

Sellers & Associates monthly report was given to the mayor. The HMGP Drainage Pump Station Site Improvements: All punch list items have been completed and a resolution was prepared for the Acceptance and Notice of Acceptance which will be presented to the Vermilion Parish Police Jury. A resolution was also prepared for The Acceptance for the Town’s concurrence with the recommendation of completion. The final partial payment #4 will be presented to the Police Jury in the amount of \$2,470.00. A request to pay the Town’s portion of \$617.50.

LCDBG Clearance Program Application – contracts were sent to the Contractor on July 17, 2025, and should be returned to Sellers & Associates shortly for the Town to execute.

LWI Round 2 Application. The H & H model and application has been submitted. The application consists of cleaning and regarding ditches, enlargement and replacement of storm drainpipes, a second smaller pump for Simon Addition as well as an emergency generator.

A motion was made by JOHN LASETER, and duly seconded by EFREM LIVINGSTON and duly adopted:

RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE

A RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE FROM SIEMA
CONSTRUCTION, LLC, PERTAINING TO THE COMPELETION
OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN FLOOD
PROTECTION (HMGP NO. 1786-DR-LA-0095)

WHEREAS, Siema Construction, LLC, as Contractor, has completed the Town of Gueydan Flood Protection (HGMP No. 1786-DR-LA-0095) in accordance with the plans and specifications contained in the contract documents pertaining thereto; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Town of Gueydan desires to accept the completed work upon the recommendation of the Engineer.,

THEREUPON, the above resolution was declared adopted.

Since Notice has been published in the Town’s Official Journal that a Public Hearing would be held to consider the adoption of the Ordinance “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUB-CHAPTER 25B SECTION 25:21 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA, “ENTITLED “WATER RATES”. and there being no opposition voiced for or against Mayor Jude Reese closed the public hearing. The public hearing was held on Tuesday, August 5, 2025, but due to lack of a quorum the ordinance was adopted on Thursday, August 7, 2025.

The following Ordinance was introduced by JOHN LASETER, seconded by EFREM LIVINGSTON:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2025-4

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUB-CHAPTER 25B, SECTION 25:21 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA, ENTITLED “WATER RATES” IS HEREBY AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA, in regular session convened on this 7TH day of August 2025 that the provisions of Sub-Chapter 25B, Section 25:21 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Gueydan entitled “Water Rates” is hereby amended to read as follows:

A. The monthly rate for the use of the Town of Gueydan’s water system shall be charged to and collected in the amounts and from the classes and special users of the water system as follows:

<u>CLASS OF USERS</u>	<u>MONTHLY RATE</u>
Residential	\$ 25.00
Offices	43.75
Grocery Stores	43.75
Warehouses	43.75
Lumber Yards	43.75
Hardware Stores	43.75
Appliance Stores	43.75
Implement Companies	43.75
Beauty Shops	56.25
Welding Shops	56.25
Auto Repair Shops	56.25
Bars & Lounges	56.25
Banks	56.25
Dry Cleaners	56.25
Medical Clinics	56.25
Hospitals	125.00
Restaurants	56.25
Pool Halls	56.25
Drive-Inns	56.25
Laundromats	125.00
Service Stations	100.00
Car Wash	150.00
Automatic Car Washer-Unit	150.00
Home Carwash	43.75
Churches	5.00
Drug Stores	56.25
Miscellaneous Repair & Sale Shop	43.75
Ice Vending Machine	125.00
<u>SPECIAL</u>	
Gueydan High School	250.00
Jesse Owens School	250.00
St. Peter’s School	100.00
Un-Sprinkled Dryers	43.75
Sprinkled Dryers	43.75
Assembly Halls	43.75
Gueydan Memorial Guest Home	500.00
Gueydan Duck Festival RV Park	100.00
Plus, August yearly billing for the Existing Building and 54 RV Slots	200.00
Any Extra Building	25.00

For every ten (10) new hookup per hookup	10.00
Privately Owned RV Park	100.00
Residential outside of corporate limits	43.75
Commercial outside of corporate limits	56.25

B. All residential customers who have reached the age of sixty-five (65) years shall receive a ten (10%) percent discount for monthly sewerage charges provided that their sewerage billing statement is paid by the fifteenth of the month said statement is rendered.

C. These above rates shall be annually adjusted to the percent change from the previous 12 months using the most recent CPI as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, *Table 1. Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)* on the first day of January, without the necessity of further action by the mayor and board of aldermen.

SECTION II: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all reconnect fees, shut off fees or any other fees not specifically addressed this Ordinance per the Town of Gueydan Water Rates & Fees will stay at the same rate as presently established.

SECTION III: BE IT FURHER ORDAINED that if any section, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, provision, or part thereof, not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION IV: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its adoption and passage by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana.

This Ordinance having been considered Section by Section, and submitted to a vote upon the whole, the vote thereon resulted as follows:

YEAS: EFREM LIVINGSTON, JOHN LASETER & ANITA DUPUIS

NAYS : NONE

ABSTAIN : NONE

ABSENT : LAUREL PORTIE’ & JASON SUIRE

And the Ordinance was therefore declared adopted on this 7th day of August 2025.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Jude Reese
Mayor

Police Chief Cru Delcambre recommended that Kimberly Kibodeaux patrolman with the Gueydan Police Department be switched from full time to part time status. Motion by JOHN LASETER seconded by EFREM LIVINGSTON and carried to change the status from full time to part time of the employee Kimberly Kibodeaux effective August 7, 2025.

Chief Delcambre presented his recommendations to the governing authority concerning Golf Carts and side by sides.

There being no further business to come before the meeting thereupon motion by ANITA DUPUIS seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 6:32 P.M. o’clock on this 7th day of August 2025.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Jude Reese
Mayor

