

Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Friday, April 17, 2026 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,
LAUREL PORTIE' & ANITA DUPUIS

Absent : JASON SUIRE

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

Motion was made by LAUREL PORTIE', 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 3, 2026 that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

Motion by JOHN LASETER, seconded by LAUREL PORTIE', 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: March 02, 2026	Utility Fund	\$10,000.00
March 17, 2026	Utility Fund	\$35,000.00
March 18, 2026	Utility Fund	\$ 5,000.00
March 10, 2026	Sales Tax	\$ 8,186.53
March 30, 2026	Utility Fund	\$30,000.00

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

To Utility Fund: March 10, 2026	Sales Tax	\$ 1,737.75
To LAMP: March 09, 2026	General Fund	\$28,046.01

Mayor Jude Reese presented the spreadsheet noting the LAMP interest with no action taken.

Motion by JOHN LASETER, seconded by LAUREL PORTIE' and carried to accept the billing adjustments in the amount of \$321.92 for the month of March, 2026.

Mayor Jude Reese presented the engineering report. In our LWI application we exceeded the awarded budget based on the proposed improvements. Since that meeting, some of the improvements were pulled into and alternate bid to bring the project within budget. Sellers & Associates are finalizing those changes to the plans and cost estimates at this time in order to submit it for review by LWI.

Motion by JOHN LASETER seconded by EFREM LIVINGSTON and carried to accept the resignation of Fire Chief Evans Bourque.

Mayor Jude Reese recommended the appointment of Gerad Landry as Fire Chief.
Motion by JOHN LASETER, seconded by EFREM LIVINGSTON and carried to accept the recommendation of Gerad Landry as Fire Chief.

Since Notice has been published in the Town's Official Journal that a Public Hearing would be held on April 3, 2026 to consider the adoption of the Ordinance " AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND ORDERING THE MILLAGE RATE TO BE LEVIED AGAINST 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 TOWN” and there being no opposition voiced for or against Mayor Jude Reese closed the public hearing.

The following Ordinance was offered by JOHN LASETER, seconded by ANITA DUPUIS and carried:

ORDINANCE 2026-2

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND ORDERING THE MILLAGE RATE TO BE LEVIED AGAINST 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 AS A RENEWAL

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA, that a public meeting convened on this 17TH day of April, 2026, which Article VII, Section 23 (C) of the Constitution, that the following millage rate (s) be, and they are hereby levied upon the dollar of assessed valuation of all property subject to advalorem taxation within said Town for the year 2026, for the purpose of raising revenue:

	MILLAGE
General Alimony	4.22

SECTION II: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED, ETC. that this Ordinance be recorded in the Official Records of the Parish of Vermilion, Louisiana, that copies be filed with the Tax Assessor of said Parish, and that same be published in the Official Journal of the Town of Gueydan.

SECTION III: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED, ETC., that the Assessor of the Parish of Vermilion, shall extend upon the assessment roll for the year 2026 the taxes herein levied, and the Tax Collector of said Parish shall collect and remit the same to said taxing authority in accordance with law.

SECTION IV: BE FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED, ETC, that all taxes are due and payable by December 31, 2026, and after this date thereof a penalty will be assessed at 1% per month until paid in full. Should notices of delinquency have to be mailed all charges for postage, and copies will be added to cover cost associated with mail out.

SECTION V: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, ETC., that inasmuch as Notice of proposed adoption of this Ordinance has been published in the Official Journal of the Town of Gueydan, Vermilion Parish, as required by law on March 11, 2026 and no opposition having been filed thereto, 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, LAUREL PORTIE’
& ANITA DUPUIS

NAYS : NONE

ABSTAIN : NONE

ABSENT: JASON SUIRE

And the Ordinance was therefore adopted on this 17th day of April 2026.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Jude D. Reese
Mayor

Motion by ANITA DUPUIS, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to adopt the millage rate of 4.22 for the year 2026.

Mr. Timothy Campbell spoke on the subject of generators to produce electricity to the town of Gueydan. Mr. Campbell requested a letter of permission to speak on behalf of the Town of

Gueydan to dealers with his inquiries. Motion by ANITA DUPUIS seconded by LAUREL PORTIE and carried granting permission to Mr. Timothy Campbell for his request. Town Clerk will type a letter and Mayor Jude Reese will sign the said letter.

A resolution for the sale of the Gueydan Community Center was tabled until next regular meeting. Motion by JOHN LASETER seconded by LAUREL PORTIE' and carried to table this item until the next regular meeting.

Approval of IWORQ Service Agreement for Occupational Licenses was tabled until a later date. Motion by LAUREL PORTIE' seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to table this agreement until a later date.

There being no further business to come before the meeting thereupon motion by JOHN LASETER seconded by EFREM LIVINGSTON and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 6:51 P.M. o'clock P.M. on this 17TH day of April, 2026.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Jude D. Reese
Mayor