

Since Notice has been published in the Town's Official Journal that a Public Hearing would be held to consider the adoption of the Ordinances " AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN RELATIVE TO GAS RATES", "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUB-CHAPTER 1 SECTION 25:125 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA, ENTITLED "ELECTRICITY RATES IS HEREBY AMENDED", "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUB-SHAPTER 25B, SECTION 25:21 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA ENTITLED "WATER RATES" IS HEREBY AMENDED, and "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUB-CHAPTER 25C, SECTION 25:55 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA ENTITLED"SEWERAGE SYSTEM", and there being no opposition voiced for or against Mayor Chris Theriot closed the public hearing.

Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Tuesday, February 2, 2016, 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 Chris Theriot presiding and the following Aldermen present:

Present: CLAUDETTE PRICE, SCOTT VALLO,  
MARILYN CAMPBELL, GALE SMITH, & JASON SUIRE

Absent: NONE

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

Motion was made by JASON SUIRE, seconded by SCOTT VALLO, and carried, that in as much as each member of the Board of Aldermen received a copy of minutes taken at Regular Meeting of January 5, 2016, that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

Motion by GALE SMITH, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE, and carried, that the reports of the Bookkeeper and Tax Collector be approved as filed.

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

To General Fund:

January 6, 2016	Utility Fund	\$50,000.00
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Mr. Larry Cramer, representing Sellers & Associates, gave an update on the following projects currently going on:

The new air compressor for the water plant has been ordered.  
The ongoing project at the water plant to change out valves.

Motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JASON SUIRE and carried to declare one (1) 1991 Ford Flatbed truck as surplus from the Gueydan Fire Department with a minimum bid of \$500.00. Bids will be opened at the next regular meeting to be held on March 1, 2016, which meeting begins at 6 o'clock p.m.

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to declare as surplus: One (1) Box blade, one (1) Straight blade one (1) Case Tractor, one (1) Tiller for a tractor and one (1) John Deere Tractor. Bids will be opened at the next regular meeting to be held on March 1, 2016, which meeting begins at 6 o'clock p.m.

Motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JASON SUIRE, and carried to declare several disabled lawnmowers as junk.

The following Ordinance was introduced by JASON SUIRE, seconded by SCOTT VALLO:

ORDINANCE 2016-2

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF  
THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN RELATIVE TO THE GAS RATES

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, in regular session convened on this 2<sup>ND</sup> day of February, 2016, that the provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Gueydan, entitled "Gas Rates" is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION II: IT IS HEREBY established that the gas rates to all customers of gas furnished by the Town of Gueydan be adjusted according to the following schedule:

A. RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS

1. Applicability

This rate schedule is applicable for all private residences and individual family apartments and commercial establishments which are furnished gas by the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana. Gas will be supplied at one point of delivery, measured through one meter and shall not be shared or resold.

2. Monthly Rate

Eighty-five cents (0.85) per 100 cubic feet plus any adjustment in accordance with Section III for all gas purchased.

3. Minimum Monthly Charge

Four Dollars and Ten Cents (\$4.10) plus any adjustment.

B. INDUSTRIAL CUSTOMERS

1. Applicability

This rate schedule is applicable for all industrial customers which are furnished gas by the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana. The gas will be supplied at one point of delivery, measured through one meter and shall not be shared or resold.

2. Monthly Rate

Eighty-five cents (\$0.85) per hundred cubic feet plus any adjustment in accordance with Section III for all gas purchased.

3. Minimum Monthly Charge

Fifty-five Dollars (\$55.00) plus any adjustment.

Section III: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any superseding rate adjustments for any natural gas purchased by the Town of Gueydan, whereby the cost of natural gas is less than or in excess of the base 1991 base average cost of \$2.15 per thousand cubic feet (mcf), the gas rates established in Section III may be adjusted for all customers of gas furnished by the Town of Gueydan at the same cost increase (decrease) per hundred cubic feet (ccf) as adjusted for the Town of Gueydan by the gas supplier, without formal change of this Ordinance by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan .

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: CLAUDETTE PRICE, SCOTT VALLO, MARILYN CAMPBELL  
GALE SMITH & JASON SUIRE

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the Ordinance was therefore declared adopted on this 2<sup>ND</sup> day of February, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard  
Clerk

S/Chris Theriot  
Mayor

The following Ordinance was introduced by CLAUDETTE PRICE, seconded by GALE SMITH

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2016-3

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUB-CHAPTER E: SECTION 25:125 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, ENTITLED "ELECTRICITY RATES: IS HEREBY AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, in order to better serve their citizens and community, and as authorized by Louisiana Law, hereby establish the following electrical rates:

Section 2: Residence service (Schedule A).

(a) Electrical rates for residence service are as follows:

(1) Applicability. The rate applicable under the regular terms and conditions of the town for all domestic purposes in single-family residences or individual apartments.

(2) Rate.

Minimum Charge \$6.00 (Residential)  
All kwh's at 4.0 cents per kwh.

(3) Power charge as per Section 4, shall be added to the above rate.

(b) The provisions of this section shall take effect and become applicable to all customers who meet the qualifications thereof, commencing upon adoption of this resolution.

Section 3: Commercial general service rate (Schedule B).

(a) There is hereby established an electrical rate for all commercial customers and all other customers who do not have eligibility for residence service as defined in Section 2 which rate shall be known as the commercial general service rate, Schedule B.

(1) Applicability. This rate is applicable to all users who's contract for electrical power for usages other than residential, as defined in Section 2, for the entire electrical requirements of such customers.

(2) Rate. Minimum charge \$10.00 (Commercial)

All kwh's at 6.5 cents per kwh

- (3) Power charge as per Section 4, shall be added to the above rate.
- (b) The provisions of this section shall take effect and become applicable to all customers who meet the qualifications thereof, commencing upon adoption of this resolution.

Section 4: Power Charge.

- (a) There is hereby established an electrical rate power charge, which shall be applicable equally to all electrical rates and to all electrical customers of the town which charge shall be added to the applicable rate to each customer in the amount equal to the total power cost plus 10% for system losses to the town of the charge for power from the Town's supplier based on the quantity of kwh sold to all electrical customers. The power charge cost/kwh shall be computed as follows:

$$\frac{\text{Total Supplier Bill (\$)}}{\text{Total kwh sold to customers}} = \text{kwh rate plus 10\%}$$

- (b) The power charge established shall take effect and become applicable to all electrical customers of the Town.
- (c) No electrical customer of the Town shall resell any electrical energy purchased from the Town, nor shall any customer supply electricity to any user, nor suffer any other user to take electricity from any electrical connection. The rules, regulations, and rates applicable to every electrical customer of the Town shall be considered a contract, and every person, by purchasing and using electricity from the Town shall be held to consent to and be bound thereby, and when any of the rules and regulations are violated, the Town shall be entitled to compensation for all losses and damages occasioned thereby, and may discontinue all electric service to the violator thereof.
- (d) It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of this Ordinance pertaining to the usage of electricity, and the violation of any provision thereof shall be punished in accordance with the Town code.

Section 5: Superseding rates.

Any effective superseding rate schedules from the Town's supplier of electricity to the Town may cause an adjustment of rates for all customers of electricity furnished by the Town at the same percentage increase or decrease as adjusted for the Town by its supplier rate shall apply without a formal change of this Ordinance by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

Section 6: All residential customers who have reached the age of sixty-five (65) years shall receive a ten (10%) per cent discount for monthly electrical charges provided that their utility billing statement is paid by the fifteenth of the month said statement is rendered.

Section 7: Effective Date.

The effective date of this Ordinance shall be when adopted by the Board of Aldermen. All Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof in conflict are herewith and hereby repealed. And this Ordinance being submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: CLAUDETTE PRICE, SCOTT VALLO, MARILYN CAMPBELL,  
GALE SMITH & JASON SUIRE

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAINED: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted this 2<sup>ND</sup> day of February, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard  
Clerk

S/Chris Theriot  
Mayor

The following Ordinance was introduced by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by MARILYN CAMPBELL:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2016-4

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 1: BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA, in regular session convened on this 2<sup>ND</sup> day of February, 2016, 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	\$ 18.00
Offices	18.00
Grocery Stores	18.00
Warehouses	18.00
Lumber Yards	18.00
Hardware Stores	18.00
Appliance Stores	18.00
Implement Companies	18.00
Beauty Shops	25.00
Welding Shops	25.00
Auto Repair Shops	25.00
Bars & Lounges	25.00
Banks	25.00
Dry Cleaners	25.00
Medical Clinics	25.00
Hospitals	60.00
Restaurants	25.00
Pool Halls	25.00

Drive-Inns	25.00
Laundromats	60.00
Service Stations	60.00
Automatic Car Washer-Unit	100.00
Churches	-0-
Drug Stores	18.00

SPECIAL

Gueydan High School	175.00
Jesse Owens School	175.00
St. Peter's School	75.00
Housing Project – North	225.00
Housing Project – South	25.00
Unsprinkled Dryers	25.00
Sprinkled Dryers	30.00
Assembly Halls	30.00
Hospital Service District No. 3, d/b/a Gueydan Memorial Guest Home	300.00
Gueydan Duck Festival RV Park	75.00
Plus August Yearly. Billing	150.00
For the Existing Building and 54 RV Slots	
Any Extra Building	13.00
For every ten (10) new hookups per hookup	7.50
Privately Owned RV Park	55.00
Residential Users of Water System located outside of the corporate limits of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana	29.00

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

SECTION II: BE IT ORDAINED, ETC, that any part of this Ordinance or Amendment thereto which shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction such holding shall not affect the validity or impair any other part of this Ordinance.

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

YEAS: CLAUDETTE PRICE, SCOTT VALLO, MARILYN CAMPBELL,  
GALE SMITH & JASON SUIRE

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the Ordinance was therefore declared adopted on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard  
Clerk

S/Chris Theriot  
Mayor

The following Ordinance was introduced by JASON SUIRE, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE:

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2016-5

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUB-CHAPTER 25C, SECTION 25:55 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF GUEYDAN, LOUISIANA, ENTITLED “SEWERAGE SYSTEM” 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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2016, that the provisions of Sub-Chapter 25C, Section 25:21 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Gueydan entitled “Sewerage Rates” is hereby amended to read as follows:

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

<u>CLASS OF USERS</u>	<u>MONTHLY RATE</u>
Residential	\$ 15.00
Offices	15.00
Grocery Stores	15.00
Warehouses	15.00
Lumber Yards	15.00
Hardware Stores	15.00
Appliance Stores	15.00
Implement Companies	15.00
Beauty Shops	15.00
Welding Shops	15.00
Auto Repair Shops	15.00
Bars & Lounges	15.00
Banks	15.00
Dry Cleaners	15.00
Medical Clinics	15.00
Hospitals	15.00
Restaurants	15.00
Pool Halls	15.00
Drive- Inns	15.00
Laundromats	15.00
Service Stations	15.00
Automatic Car Washer-Units	15.00
Churches	-0-
Drug Stores	15.00
 <u>SPECIAL</u>	
Gueydan High School	25.00
Jesse Owens School	21.00
St. Peter’s School	15.00
Housing Project – North	70.00
Housing Project – South	20.00
Unsprinkled Dryers	15.00
Sprinkled Dryers	15.00
Hospital Service District No. 3, d/b/a Gueydan Memorial Guest Home	50.00
Residential Users of Sewerage Systems located outside the corporate limits of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana	20.00

Commercial Users (including but not limited to Grocery Stores) of the sewerage system located Outside the corporate limits of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana	29.00
Privately Owned RV Parks	15.00

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.

SECTION II: BE IT ORDAINED, ETC, that any part of this Ordinance of Amendment thereto which shall be held invalid or unconstitutional by a Court of competent jurisdiction such holding shall not affect the validity or impair any other part of this Ordinance.

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

YEAS: CLAUDETTE PRICE, SCOTT VALLO, MARILYN CAMPBELL,  
GALE SMITH & JASON SUIRE

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the Ordinance was therefore declared adopted on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day, of February, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard  
Clerk

S/Chris Theriot  
Mayor

Fire Chief Evans Bourque was not in attendance for this meeting.

Police Chief Kayla Henry had no business to present at this meeting.

There being no further business to come before the meeting thereupon motion JASON SUIRE, seconded by SCOTT VALLO and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 6:28 o'clock P.M. on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard  
Clerk

S/Chris Theriot  
Mayor