

Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Tuesday, March 1, 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,
GALE SMITH, & JASON SUIRE

Absent: MARILYN CAMPBELL

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 February 2, 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 CLAUDETTE PRICE, seconded by SCOTT VALLO, and carried that the following transfer, on the date, and amount from fund is hereby ratified and approved:

To General Fund:

February 2, 2016	Utility Fund	\$50,000.00
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Sellers and Associates had nothing to present at this meeting.

Approval of a liquor license for Burton Hebert & Jodie Dailey D/B/A Red Rooster Life, LLC was tabled due to persons needing to apply with Alcohol and Tobacco Control approval for a local license.

Approval of a liquor license for Blake Hebert & Selena Hebert D/B/A The Circle Top, was tabled due to persons needing to apply with Alcohol and Tobacco Control approval for a local license.

Motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JASON SUIRE, and carried for the following resolution:

RESOLUTION 2-2016

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan is governed by the provisions of the "Lawrason Act" form of Government and requires that each municipality have either an elected or appointed chief of police and;

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan has an elected chief of police and the Lawrason Act in R.S. 33:385.1 requires that "Except as otherwise provided in this Section, an elected chief of police of a municipality shall be an elector of the municipality..." and;

WHEREAS, it is the concern of the Town of Gueydan that the pool of persons who may hold the unique qualifications to hold the office of an elected chief of police may be limited under the provisions of R.S. 33:385.1 and;

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan would like to be able to expand the pool of potential future candidates for the office of Chief of Police and request that R.S. 33:385.1 be amended to allow potential candidates for the office of Chief of Police who may reside outside of the incorporated municipal limits of the Town of Gueydan to qualify in future elections.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Board of Aldermen and Chief of Police of the Town of Gueydan express their support of SB 28, by Senator Jonathan Perry which has been introduced for the 2016 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature which will allow candidates for the elected chief of police to reside outside of the incorporated limits of the Town of Gueydan.

FURTHERMORE, a copy of this resolution of support shall be forwarded to Senator Jonathon Perry thanking him for introducing SB28 and to Representative Bob Hensgens asking for his support of SB 28.

Thereupon the above resolution was submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: MARILYN CAMPBELL

The resolution was adopted on this 1st day of March, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Chris Theriot
Mayor

The following resolution was offered by JASON SUIRE, seconded by GALE SMITH, and carried:

RESOLUTION 3-2016

BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED, that pursuant to a public notice, a regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan was held on the 1ST day of March, 2016, commencing at 6:00 o'clock P.M. at City Hall, Gueydan, Louisiana, where the following resolution was moved, duly seconded, passed and adopted, to-wit:

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan and the Parish of Vermilion have experienced continued illegal drug activity;

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen, acting as the governing authority of the Town of Gueydan finds that it is in the best interest of its citizenry for the Town to participate in the Municipalities' and Sheriff's Drug Task Force, and does hereby pledge TWENTY THOUSAND & NO/100s (\$20,000.00) DOLLARS, payable annually towards the operation of the task force.

WHEREAS, it is necessary and proper for the Town of Gueydan to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Sheriff Michael A. Couvillion to create the Municipalities' and Sheriff's Drug Task Force;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, acting as the governing authority of said town does hereby authorize Mayor Chris Theriot to execute the aforesaid intergovernmental agreement and to do and perform all acts necessary in the premises.

After being submitted to a vote upon the whole, the vote therein resulted as follows:

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: MARILYN CAMPBELL

APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 1st day of March, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Chris Theriot
Mayor

Since notice had been published in the official journal of the Town of Gueydan that sealed bids would be publicly opened and read for the following equipment the bids resulted as follows:

1991 Flatbed Truck (Minimum Bid \$500.00) Dixie Surplus Machinery \$768.00

Motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JASON SUIRE and carried to sell the 1991 Flatbed Truck to Dixie Surplus Machinery for the amount of \$768.00

Bids for the Box Blade were as follows:

Michael Gaspard	\$110.00
Keith Hensgens	\$117.00

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to sell the Box Blade to Keith Hensgens for the amount of \$117.00.

Bids for the Straight Blade were as follows:

Michael Gaspard	\$110.00
Wade Breaux	\$ 55.00
Keith Hensgens	\$117.00
Rod Laseter	\$100.00

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to sell the Straight Blade to Keith Hensgens for the amount of \$117.00.

Bids for the Case Tractor were as follows:

Dixie Surplus Machinery	\$1,068.00
Keith Hensgens	\$ 84.00

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried to sell the Case Tractor for the amount of \$1,068.00 to Dixie Surplus Machinery.

Bids for the Tiller for a tractor:

Keith Hensgens	\$108.00
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Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to sell the Tiller for a tractor to Keith Hensgens in the amount of \$108.00.

Bids for the John Deere Tractor were as follows:

Dixie Surplus Machinery	\$1,768.00
Keith Hensgens	969.00

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to sell the John Deere Tractor to Dixie Surplus Machinery in the amount of \$1,768.00.
Fire Chief Evans Bourque was not in attendance.

Police Chief Kayla Henry informed the Governing Authority that an active warrant is still outstanding for a suspect and that said suspect is being seen and that tips from the community are being given.

Mayor Chris Theriot requested that a \$500.00 reward approved by himself and the chief for the capture and arrest of suspect be ratified to aid in the capture of this person.

Motion by SCOTT VALLO seconded by JASON SUIRE and carried to ratify the \$500.00 reward being offered for the capture and arrest of a suspect ongoing at this time.

Chief Henry informed the Governing Authority that she will be attending the Chief of Police annual conference next week.

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 6:26 o'clock P.M. on this 1ST day of March, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Chris Theriot
Mayor