Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Tuesday, September 6, 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,

Absent: JASON SUIRE

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

Mr. Donald Cormier spoke on the issues concerning the recent flooding issues and asked what solutions are in the future along with how long will the solutions take.

Motion was made by CLAUDETTE PRICE, 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 August 2, 2016, and Emergency Meeting of August 19, 2016, that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

Motion by SSCOTT VALLO, seconded by MARILYN CAMPBELL, and carried, that the reports of the Bookkeeper and Tax Collector be approved as filed.

Motion by CLAUDETTE PRICE, 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:

August 3, 2016 Utility Fund \$50,000.00 August 29, 2016 Utility Fund \$50,000.00

Motion by CLAUDETTE PRICE, seconded by SCOTT VALLO and carried to approve the billing adjustments for the month of August 2016 in the amount of \$836.48.

Mr. Larry Cramer representing Sellers & Associates presented the quote to the Mayor and Governing Authority for the road repair project. No action was taken at this meeting.

The following resolution was offered by SCOTT VALLO seconded by GALE SMITH and duly resolved:

## **RESOLUTION NO. 9-2016**

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE OF LOUISIANA, UNDER THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-208 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND COMMUNITY WATER ENRICHMENT FUND PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, the Louisiana Office of Community Development has announced that applications are being accepted for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Local Government Assistance Program (LGAP); and

**WHEREAS**, the Local Government Assistance Program offers grans to eligible municipalities and parishes for a wide range of projects to improve public health, public safety, living conditions and for economic development purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, in previous years the Louisiana Office of Community Development has also accepted applications for Community Water Enrichment Fund (CWEF) Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the Community Water Enrichment Fund Program offers grants to eligible municipalities and parishes for rehabilitation, improvements and new construction projects for community potable water systems; and

**WHEREAS**, it is deemed necessary and proper to submit an application to the Louisiana Office of Community Development under the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Local Government Assistance Program and also should applications be accepted the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Community Water Enrichment Fund Program.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan that Mayor Chris Theriot is hereby authorized to sign and submit an application to the State of Louisiana, Office of Community Development under the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Local Government Assistance Program and also execute any and all documents should this grant be funded; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign and submit an application to the State of Louisiana, Office of Community Development under the Fiscal Year 2017-20148 Community Water Enrichment Fund Program if the State accepts such application and execute any and all documents should this grant be funded.

**THEREUPON**, the above resolution was declared adopted.

Motion by GALE SMITH, seconded by SCOTYT VALLO and carried to give permission to Mayor Chris Theriot authorization to enter into verbal contracts for goods and services during the flood of August, 2016. The following are the contracts to include but not limited to, Gueydan Fun Jumps, Habetz Welding, Tadpole Enterprises and Knight of Columbus (use of the KC Hall Building).

Motion by GALE SMITH seconded by SCOTT VALLO, to give Mayor Chris Theriot the approval for all overtime work to be paid to employees for the Flood of 2016.

Flooding issues - Residents of Simon Addition. All concerns were addressed at the beginning of the meeting at Public Comment Section.

Fire Chief Evans Bourque presented three (3) applications of individuals to be added to the Volunteer Firemen Roster: Chris Guillory, Richard Meyer, and Matt Cashat. Motion SCOTT VALLO, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried to include Chris Guillory, Richard Meyer, and Matt Cashat to the roster of the Gueydan Volunteer Fire Department.

Chief Bourque requested that Michael Abshire be removed as a voting member for the Vermilion Parish Fire Association due to Mr. Abshire no longer being an employee of the Gueydan Fire Department. Chief Bourque recommended that Gerad Landry Jr. be noted as the voting member for the Vermilion Parish Fire Association. Motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to appoint Gerad Landry, Jr. as the representative/voting member of the Vermilion Parish Fire Association.

Police Chief Kayla Henry addressed the evacuation issues to those in attendance.

There being no further business to come before the meeting thereupon motion GALE SMITH, seconded by SCOTT VALLO, and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 7:43 o'clock P.M. on this 6<sup>TH</sup> day of September, 2016.

S/Roxanna Richard	S/Chris Theriot
Clerk	Mayor