

Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Tuesday, February 4, 2020 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: CLAUDETTE PRICE, JOHN LASETER,
SCOTT VALLO, & ANITA DUPUIS

Absent: JASON SUIRE

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

Motion was made by JOHN LASETER, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE, 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 7, 2020, that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

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

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

To General Fund:

January 06, 2020	Utility Fund	\$75,000.00
January 07, 2020	Sales Tax	\$54,658.15
January 08, 2020	Sales Tax	\$26,861.90
January 30, 2020	Sales Tax	\$15,465.25

To Utility Fund:

January 07, 2020	Sales Tax	\$16,320.18
January 08, 2020	Sales Tax	\$ 5,109.83

Motion by SCOTT VALLO seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to approve the billing adjustments in the amount of \$865.41 for the month of January 2020.

Mr. Larry Cramer, engineer with Sellers and Associates informed the governing authority that the Generator Project is moving along, and contractor will be back at the end of February to complete the project.

Simon Addition pump station the final design is complete, and the budget will be updated for the project to install two (2) 24-inch pumps. The North ditch is still in the working. Hazard mitigation Grant the Pump Station has been authorized to proceed with design and the engineers are working with the Police Jury for completion.

Mayor Jude Reese recommended a resolution to adopt the System Survey & Questionnaire required for the Town audit and thereupon, the following resolution was offered by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JOHN LASETER:

RESOLUTION 1-2020

**A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE SYSTEM SURVEY
AND COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE IN ACCORDANCE
WITH LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES 24:517**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the System Survey and Compliance Questionnaire which was received from the Office of the Legislative Auditor, State of Louisiana, and which was properly completed by the Clerk of the Town of Gueydan and presented to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan and the same is hereby approved and adopted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of said System and Compliance Questionnaire be filed in the records of the Town of Gueydan and certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the firm of Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co. LLC, of Abbeville, Louisiana, whose proposal was accepted by the Governing Body for the audit of the records of the Town of Gueydan for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019. The auditors will during the course of his regular audit, test the accuracy of the answers of the questionnaire and submit to the Legislative Auditor and the Municipality a report containing his opinions as to the validity of the answers therein contained.

YEAS: CLAUDETTE PRICE, JOHN LASETER, SCOTT VALLO
& ANITA DUPUIS

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: JASON SUIRE

And this resolution was declared adopted on this 4TH day of February, 2020.

S/Roxanna Richard

S/Jude D. Reese

Clerk

Mayor

Motion by SCOTT VALLO seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried to adopt the amended Policy and Procedures to include working hours and Special events Booth prices with the correction of booth space requiring electricity for the price of \$10.00 per event per booth.

The governing authority was presented with a quote concerning the upgrade of the Casselle Program. The quote has a total price of \$55,575.00. After a discussion motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to table this item and look into other software programs.

Motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to declare as junk: old computers with hard drives removed, server with hard drives removed, 4 monitors, printer and security camera system.

Fire Chief Evans Bourque was not in attendance.

Police Chief Shawn Theriot informed the governing authority the vehicles that were donated to the Village of Estherwood Police Department are no longer needed by that department. Chief Theriot inquired as to declare as surplus the 1999 Ford Crown Victoria and the 2011 Ford Crown Victoria. Motion by SCOTT VALLO seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to declare as surplus:

1999 Ford Crown Victoria
2011 Ford Crown Victoria

Minimum bid is \$100.00 on each vehicle.

Sealed bids will be taken until 3:30 P.M. on March 3, 2020 and bids will be opened and read publicly at the regular meeting on March 3, 2020 which meeting begins at 6:00 p.m.

Police Chief Shawn Theriot recommended that Christopher Ryan Lemaire be hired as a full-time officer with the Gueydan Police Department. Motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to table the recommendation request of Chief Theriot.

Mr. Efrem Livingston addressed the governing authority concerning correspondence he sent to the police chief.

Mr. Michael Washington asked to address the governing authority and voiced his concerns about his utility bill. After a discussion it as determined that a new meter would be installed.

Mayor Reese informed the governing authority that he has received approval from the Vermilion Parish Police Jury for the retention ponds.

There being no further business to come before the meeting thereupon motion by JOHN LASETER, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 6:38 o'clock P.M. on this 4TH day of February,2020.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/ Jude D. Reese
Mayor