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Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Tuesday, May 3, 2022, 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 & JASON SUIRE

Absent: NONE

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

Motion was made by JASON SUIRE, 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 April 5, 2022, that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

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

Motion by JASON SUIRE, 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:

April 04, 2022,	Utility Fund	\$35,000.00
April 18, 2022,	Utility Fund	\$25,000.00
April 26, 2022,	Utility Fund	\$25,000.00

Motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to accept the billing adjustments in the amount of \$487.63 for the month of April 2022.

Jacob Neu, engineer with Sellers & Associates gave the following updates on the ongoing projects: Simon Addition Pump Station is complete and motion by SCOTT VALLO seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to approve the Final Payment in the amount of \$38,828.44 to Southern Constructors, LLC.

The project of the retention pond in Simon Addition is 89% complete.

The Street Improvements Project Change Order #3 to decrease the price by \$25,346.76 to reflect quantities. Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to accept the Change Order #3 in the amount of a decrease price of \$25,346.76.

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by SCOTT VALLO and carried to accept Partial Payment #2 to Glenn Lege Construction, LLC in the amount of \$31,681.98.

A motion was made by JASON SUIRE, and duly seconded by SCOTT VALLO, and duly adopted:

RESOLUTION OF ACCEPTANCE

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ACT OF ACCEPTANCE FROM GLENN LEGE CONSTRUCTION, LLC, PERTAINING TO THE COMPLETION OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE 2021 STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, Glenn Lege Construction, LLC, as Contractor, has completed the 2021 Street Improvements in accordance with the plans and specifications contained in the contract documents pertaining thereto; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan desires to accept the completed work;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town of Gueydan that the Mayor of said Town of Gueydan be, and is hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to execute a Notice of Acceptance for and on behalf of the Town of Gueydan, accepting the work as being completed, and that he be authorized and directed to have a copy of said acceptance recorded in the Conveyance Records of the Parish of Vermilion, State of Louisiana.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was declared adopted.

Mr. Neu informed the governing authority about the second round of Water Sector Program funding will be accepting applications. Therefore, Mr. Neu recommended the governing authority authorize Sellers and Associates to apply for the Water Sector Funding. Motion by JOHN LASETER, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried to authorize Sellers and Associates to prepare and submit the application to the Water Sector Program.

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to authorize Mayor Jude Reese to sign the Collection Agreement between the Town of Gueydan and American Municipal Services (Collection Services Contract Utilities, EMS and Miscellaneous).

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The following Ordinance was offered by SCOTT VALLO seconded by JASON SUIRE carried:

ORDINANCE 2022-2

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.

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 3RD day of May 2022, 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 2022, for the purpose of raising revenue:

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 2022 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 IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDAINED, ETC, that all taxes are due and payable by December 31, 2022, 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 28TH April 2022 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: CLAUDETTE PRICE, JOHN LASETER, SCOTT VALLO,
ANITA DUPUIS & JASON SUIRE

NAYS: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the Ordinance was therefore adopted on this 3RD day of May 2022.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Jude Reese
Mayor

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to adopt the millage rate of 4.22 for the year 2022.

Mayor Jude Reese, informed the governing authority that the Town of Gueydan purchased a 2008 Ford Crown Victoria from the Village of Estherwood in the amount of \$1,000.00. Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to authorize Mayor Jude Reese to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Estherwood and the Town of Gueydan for the purchase of the 2008 Crown Victoria in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Fire Chief Evans Bourque had nothing to report at this meeting.

Mayor Jude Reese asked the governing authority to declare as JUNK the awning/covering on the side of the Fire and Police Station. Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to declare the awning/covering as junk.

Police Chief Cru Delcambre asked for approval of the Police Policy and Procedure manual, which was presented to the governing authority at the April 2022 meeting. Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by JOHN LASETER and carried to accept the Police Policy and Procedure manual.

Chief Delcambre recommended to ratify the hiring Donta` Nickerson as a full-time patrolman with the Gueydan Police Department. Motion by SCOTT VALLO seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried to accept the recommendation of hiring Donta` Nickerson as full-time patrolman with the Gueydan Police Department effective April 12,2022.

Motion by JASON SUIRE, seconded by SCOTT VALLO and carried to amend the agenda to include Ms. Lakeisha Willridge. Ms. Willridge addressed her concerns about filing a formal complaint. No action was taken on this matter.

There being no further business to come before the meeting thereupon motion by SCOTT VALLO, seconded by JASON SUIRE and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 6:16 o'clock P.M. on this 3RD day of May 2022.

S/Roxanna Richard
Clerk

S/Jude Reese
Mayor