

Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Tuesday, June 3, 2008 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 Craig Hensgens presiding and the following Aldermen present:

Present: CLAUDETTE PRICE, ALTHEA WILLIAMS,
DAVID DUPUIS, GALE SMITH & JUDE REESE

Absent: NONE

Motion was made by DAVID DUPUIS, seconded by JUDE REESE and carried, that in as much as each member of the Board of Aldermen received a copy of minutes taken at Regular Meeting of May 8, 2008 and Special Meeting of May 15, 2008, that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

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

Motion by DAVID DUPUIS, seconded by JUDE REESE, and carried that the following transfer, on the date, and amount from fund is hereby ratified and approved:

To General Fund:

May 2, 2008	Util Sys	\$50,000.00
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Todd Vincent, Engineer with Sellers & Associates informed the Governing Authority on the Sewer Rehab project that the majority of the leaks have been repaired and income verifications are needed for the project to progress more. The lighting of the girls softball field project is going to be underway as soon as league games are completed which should be by the end of June.

The following resolution was offered by GALE SMITH, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS and unanimously carried:

RESOLUTION 9-2008

A RESOLUTION GRANTING THE AUTHORITY
TO THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND
SUBMIT ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS,
APPOINT AN ADMINISTRATIVE CONSULTANT
FOR THE FY 2008-2009
LOUISIANA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
HOUSING ACCESSIBILITY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan deems it necessary and proper to submit an application for funding under the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant for an housing accessibility project; and

WHEREAS, professional grant consulting and administrative consulting services are necessary to assist in the preparation of the application and the partial administration of the grant, should the project be funded; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with OMB Circular A-102, the proper advertisement for Qualification Statements for a grants administrative consultant occurred; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan that the Honorable Craig Hensgens, Mayor, is hereby authorized to sign and submit an application for funding and all the necessary documents in connection

with the Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Housing Accessibility Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that after reviewing the proposals and qualification statements submitted, that the Honorable Craig Hensgens, Mayor, is hereby authorized to sign a contract with Minvielle and Associates, Inc. to prepare the application and should the project be funded provide the administrative services required.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted.

The following resolution was offered by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried:

RESOLUTION 10-2008

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ENDEAVORS OF THE GUEYDAN MUSEUM

WHEREAS, The Town of Gueydan has a commitment to Gueydan history and the history of Vermilion Parish; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Gueydan does support the hard work of the Gueydan Museum and all of its endeavors,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan that they are in complete support with any and all endeavors by the Gueydan Museum including the receipt of monies to further their mission within the Town of Gueydan.

Clerk

Mayor

Motion by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS to resend motion of meeting May 8, 2008 to sell Arco the K-9 Dog with the Gueydan Police Department.

Motion by GALE SMITH seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried to declare Arco the K-9 Dog of the Gueydan Police Department as surplus equipment and to accept sealed bid at the next regular meeting of July 1, 2008 at 6:00 o'clock P.M. and that buyer must be licensed and a certified K-9 handler with proper identification and paper work supplied to this Governing Authority at time bid is submitted.

Motion by DAVID DUPUIS, seconded by ALTHEA WILLIAMS and carried to accept sealed bids for the 1977 Fire Truck with a minimum bid of \$1500 which said bids will be opened and publicly read at the next regular meeting of July 1, 2008 at 6:00 o'clock p.m.

Motion by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS and carried to accept the Gueydan Journal as the official journal for the Town of Gueydan beginning June 1, 2008 through May 30, 2009.

Police Chief Blake Hebert recommended the acceptance of resignation of Phillip Mamolo. Motion by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried to accept the resignation of Phillip Mamolo.

Chief Hebert informed the Governing Authority that the papers are being finalized for a patrol unit being donated by the Lafayette Police Department.

Mayor Craig Hensgens gave his resignation from the Gueydan Volunteer Firemen. Motion by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by JUDE REESE and carried to accept the resignation of Craig Hensgens as a volunteer with the Gueydan Fire Department.

Motion by GALE SMITH, seconded by JUDE REESE and carried to amend tonight's agenda to include Althea Williams.

Councilwoman ALTHEA WILLIAMS gave her resignation as Councilwoman with the Town of Gueydan. Councilwoman Althea Williams read her resignation to the public and upon motion by GALE SMITH, seconded by JUDE REESE and carried to accept the resignation of ALTHEA WILLIAMS as councilwoman of the Town of Gueydan Board of Aldermen.

Motion by JUDE REESE, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to offer a resolution of appreciation to Ms. Althea Williams.

RESOLUTION 11-2008

A RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION BEING EXTENDED TO
MRS. ALTHEA WILLIAMS FOR ALL HER COUNTLESS
HOURS AS A COMMUNITY LEADER

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan extend their appreciation to Mrs. Althea Williams for all the countless hours she has served in the 13 plus years as Councilwoman; and

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan do hereby express their deep appreciation for all the you have taken time in your busy schedule to accomplish as a community leader.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote thereon, the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: CLAUDETTE PRICE, DAVID DUPUIS,
GALE SMITH & JUDE REESE

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 3rd day of June 2008.

Clerk

Mayor

Motion by JUDE REESE, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to amend tonight's agenda to include the following business:

Motion by JUDE REESE, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried to declare vacancy of Council Seat with the Town of Gueydan Board of Aldermen.

Motion by JUDE REESE, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to accept nominations and appointment with one name being nominated and that being Ms. Marilyn Campbell, so with no further nominations is was declared that Ms. Marilyn Campbell be appointed to replace Councilmember Althea Williams.

The following resolution was offered by GALE SMITH, seconded by JUDE REESE:

RESOLUTION 12-2008

WHEREAS, it has been known to the Governing Authority of the Town of Gueydan that the office of one (1) Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan has become vacant due to the resignation of Councilmember ALTHEA WILLIAMS; and

WHEREAS, more than one year exists before the next regular election for the office of Aldermen; and

BE IT PROCLAIMED that we, the members of the Governing Authority of the Town of Gueydan, Gueydan, Louisiana, do hereby issued a resolution ordering a Special Election to full said vacancy, as follows:

The Special Primary, shall, in accordance with LA-R.S. 18:402, be held on October 4, 2008; and

The Special General Election shall, in accordance with LA-R.S. 18:402, be held on November 4, 2008; and

Candidates shall qualify for said office commencing at 8:30 o'clock on July 9, 2008, and closing at 5:00 o'clock P.M. on July 11, 2008.

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED that a copy of the forwarded by certified or registered mail to the Clerk of District Court of Vermilion Parish, Secretary of State, State of Louisiana, so that said officials may act in furtherance of this call in accordance with the provisions of law.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereupon resulted as follows:

YEAS: CLAUDETTE PRICE, DAVID DUPUIS, GALE SMITH
& JUDE REESE

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 3rd day of June, 2008.

Clerk

Mayor

Mayor Craig Hensgens recommended that Councilmember David Dupuis be appointed as Mayor Protempore. Motion by GALE SMITH, seconded by JUDE REESE and carried that Council member David Dupuis be appointed as Mayor Protempore.

The following resolution was offered by GALE SMITH, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS, and carried for the acceptance of the following signatures on all Funds and Certificates of Deposit at the Bank of Gueydan, and therefore the following signatures will be honored on all Funds and Certificates of Deposit.

RESOLUTION 13-2008

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, in regular session convened, that the Bank of Gueydan be named as a depository for the Town of Gueydan and they are hereby authorized to honor checks and/or withdrawals of all funds on deposit in the Bank of Gueydan when signed by two (2) of the following signatures Craig Hensgens, Roxanna Richard, David Dupuis, Gale Smith, Heuetta Benoit.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: CLAUDETTE PRICE, DAVID DUPUIS, GALE SMITH
& JUDE REESE

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted on this the 3RD day of June, 2008.

Clerk

Mayor

Motion by DAVID DUPUIS, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to appoint MAYOR CRAIG HENSGENS as representative and JUDE REESE, as the alternate member of the Louisiana Municipal Gas Authority, for the year 2008.

RESOLUTION 9-2004

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Governing Authority of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, that the Mayor's recommendation of MAYOR CRAIG HENSGENS to serve as representative and JUDE REESE to serve as alternate on the Board of the Louisiana Municipal Gas Authority is hereby approved.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: CLAUDETTE PRICE, DAVID DUPUIS,
GALE SMITH & JUDE REESE

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 3RD day of June 2008.

Clerk

Mayor

Members of the public gave their comments on the job well done by Ms. Althea Williams in her term as an elected official with the Town of Gueydan Board of Aldermen.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion by DAVID DUPUIS, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 6:20 o'clock P.M. on this 3rd day of June, 2008.

Clerk

Mayor