

Minutes of the proceedings of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, taken at regular meeting held Tuesday, June 4, 2007 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 Charlotte Venable-Hartwell 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 1, 2007, that the reading of said minutes be dispensed with and same be adopted as written.

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

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

To General Fund:

May 3, 2007	Util Sys	\$50,000.00
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Todd Vincent, Engineer with Sellers & Associates informed the Governing Authority that the Town had received the Local Government Assistance Program Grant to purchase a rubber tired backhoe for the utility department and he was informed that the said equipment may be purchased under state contract. Motion by JUDE REESE, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS and carried to authorize Sellers & Associates to advertise in the event that said equipment cannot be purchased through state contract.

Mr. Vincent also explained that Louisiana Rural Water will be doing smoke testing on the sewer lines and that testing would be complete should the Town received a grant for Sewer Improvements.

Rob Carter, representing the firm of Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co., LLC gave the annual audit report for the year ending December 31, 2006. After a brief discussion of the funds and fund availability the following resolution was offered JUDE REESE, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS, and carried to accept the Audit Report of year ending December 31, 2006.

RESOLUTION 7-2007

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan, Louisiana, that the Governing Authority does hereby accept the year 2006 audit report from auditors, Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co., LLC as presented at this regular meeting June 5, 2007.

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

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

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 5<sup>TH</sup> day of June, 2007.

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Clerk

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Mayor

Motion by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried to give preliminary approval to the following Ordinance “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 TOWN” pending a Public Hearing to be held at the Town’s next regular meeting of July 3, 2007, which meeting begins at 6:00 P.M. and will present for final adoption also at said meeting.

The following resolution was offered by DAVID DUPUIS, seconded by ALTHEA WILLIAMS and duly resolved:

RESOLUTION 8-2007

A RESOLUTION PERTAINING TO THE  
MUNICIPAL WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION  
ENVIRONMENTAL AUDIT REPORT (NOVEMBER 2005-OCTOBER 2006)

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Gueydan’s Louisiana Water Discharge Permit requires that an annual environmental audit report be prepared for the Town’s wastewater treatment and collection system; and

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit Report for the period from November, 2005, through October, 2006 has been completed; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen have reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Environmental Audit Report which is attached to this resolution; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Gueydan to set forth the following actions necessary to maintain the permit requirements contained in the Louisiana Water Discharge Permit (LPDES) number LA0049883.

1. Continue to repair leaks on the sewer service lines and sewer mains to reduce wet weather flows to the treatment facility.

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

Motion by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by GALE SMITH and carried that the Gueydan Journal be appointed as the Official Journal for the Year of June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2008.

Motion by ALTHEA WILLIMAS, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS and carried to accept a Mutual Aid Agreement for Water and Wastewater with the Louisiana Rural Water Association and giving authorization to Mayor Charlotte Venable-Hartwell to sign the necessary documents. The Mutual Aid Agreement will be kept on file at the Town of Gueydan, 600 Main Street, Gueydan, LA 70542

City Attorney Ed Saal, Jr. advised the Governing Authority that the Town owns the North 50’ (feet) of lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6 of Block 74. After a short discussion it was unanimously voted to proceed with the sale of said property and to take action to proceed with the sale of the property.

Police Chief Michael Coleman addressed the Governing Authority and explained the training that the Full Time Patrolman are undergoing at the present time. Chief Coleman recommended that Odessa Benoit, Ben Vidrine and Charles Thomas Jones be accepted and added to the list of Reserve Officers for the Gueydan Police Department. Motion by JUDE REESE, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried that Odessa Benoit be added to the list of Reserve Officers for the Gueydan Police Department. Motion by GALE SMITH, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS and carried that Ben Vidrine be added to the list of Reserve Officers for the Gueydan Police Department. Motion by DAVID

DUPUIS, seconded by CLAUDETTE PRICE and carried that Charles Tommy Jones be added to the list of Reserve Officers for the Gueydan Police Department.

Fire Chief Troy Leblanc submitted an application for Stoney Broussard to be added to the list of Volunteer Firemen for the Gueydan Fire Department. Motion by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by DAVID DUPUIS and carried to accept the application of Stoney Broussard as a Volunteer Firemen for the Gueydan Police Department.

Motion by GALE SMITH, seconded by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, and carried to amend tonight's agenda to include Mr. David Dupuis and the update concerning the lighting at the baseball field. Mr. Dupuis gave a summary about the lighting project as he attended a committee meeting of the Vermilion Parish School Board and reported that the project was tabled and will be re-introduced at the next meeting of June 19 at which time Mr. Dupuis will attend said meeting to plead for the lighting project. There was no action taken at this meeting while awaiting the results from the Vermilion Parish School Board decision.

Motion by ALTHEA WILLIAMS, seconded by JUDE REESE and carried to add Ms. Tracy Mouton on tonight's agenda. Ms. Mouton made complaints concerning the Gueydan Police Department with no action being taken on this subject matter.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion by DAVID DUPUIS, seconded by JUDE REESE and carried the meeting thereupon adjourned at 6:59 o'clock P.M. on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2006

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Clerk

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Mayor