

TOWN OF AMITE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 4, 2025

The Mayor and City Council of the Town of Amite City, Louisiana came together in regular session on the fourth day of February 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room of City Hall, 212 E. Oak St., Amite, LA 70422.

Mayor Walter Daniels III called the council meeting to order and asked Jewel McCoy for roll call.

The following council members were present:

Maria Coleman
Shirley Core
Kenyetta Richardson
Rose Sumrall

Council member absent:

Charles "Mose" Guzzardo

Others in attendance:

City Manager Mark Kolwe, City Attorney Chuck Reid, Assistant City Attorney Brad Stevens, Police Chief Lendrick Francois, Fire Chief J. D. Stevens.

Prayer and Pledge

Richardson offered the opening prayer followed by J. D. Stevens leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input:

Katrina Smith – Spoke against approving a variance for four homes to be placed on property at 1803, 1805, 1901 and 1903 N. Duncan Ave.

Kayla Perry – Withdrew her request to rezone the property at 214 N. Laurel St.

Minutes

A motion was made by Sumrall, seconded by Richardson to approve the following minutes:

- January 7, 2025 - Regular Council Meeting

Motion passed with no objection.

Financial Statements

A motion was made by Sumrall, seconded by Core to approve the following financial statements:

- Budget to actual – January 31, 2025
- Cash disbursements – January 31, 2025

Motion passed with no objection.

Mayor Walter Daniels III

1. Amite Oyster Royalty – unable to attend.
2. Consolidated Services representative Gary Beard gave an update on the Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant – Phase 2 bid process.
3. A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Core to send back to the Planning and Zoning committee the variance request to change the zone from 100 ft. to 50 ft. of frontage for homes to be located at 1803, 1805, 1901 and 1903 N. Ducan Ave.
Motion passed with no objection.
4. A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Core to send back to the Planning and Zoning committee the rezoning of property at 724 W. Olive St. from commercial to residential.
Motion passed with no objection.

5. A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Core to send back to the Planning and Zoning committee the request to change the property zone a 214 N. Laurel St.
Motion passed with no objection.
6. Joshua Smith with Faulk and Winkler LLC, CPAs presented the audit report for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024.
7. A motion was made by Richardson to introduce Ordinance No 01-2025 – An Ordinance to Establish Salary for City Clerk. The public hearing and voting will be held at the next council meeting on March 11, 2025.
8. A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Core, to approve beer and liquor license for Aldi Store #149.
Motion passed with no objection.
9. Daniels invited everyone to the Black History Program on Friday, February 21, 2025, at 9 a.m.

Council Member Shirley Core

1. The town is still working on the bridge that is out on Daniel Street.

Council Member Charles “Mose” Guzzardo

1. Pole lights - B. J. Couvillion with Entergy explained ways that a street light outage can be reported.

Council Member Rose Sumrall

1. Water bills - Kolwe explained that due to the winter storm that required people to run their water for several days, we will charge the customers the same amount as they were charged the previous month. Currently, each meter pays a \$5.00 technology fee, unless the ordinance is changed.
2. Police chief – Francios stated the police department is ready for the Oyster Festival.
3. Fire – Stevens stated the fire department does an annual inspection of all fire hydrants. Kolwe stated the city is currently working on repairing several fire hydrants that we have been notified that has an issue.

A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Sumrall to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned.

Jewel McCoy
City Clerk

Walter Daniels III
Mayor