

TOWN OF AMITE CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

August 5, 2025

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

Declaration

City Clerk Jewel McCoy read the public input statement.

Public Hearing

McCoy called the public hearing to order and asked if anyone would like to make a comment on the following proposed resolutions:

- 1. To adopt the adjusted millage rate**
- 2. To roll forward the millage rate**

On the following proposed ordinance:

Ordinance No. 12-2025 Suspend Annual Pay Increase

No comments were voiced.

McCoy closed the public hearing and turned the gavel over to Mayor Walter Daniels III for the regular council meeting.

Mayor Daniels called the council meeting to order and asked McCoy for a roll call.

The following council members were present:

Mayor Pro-Tem Rose Sumrall
Maria Coleman
Shirley Core
Charles "Mose" Guzzardo
Kenyetta Richardson

Council members absent:

None

Others in attendance:

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

Prayer/Pledge

Richardson led the evening prayer followed by Daniels leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Input:

None

Minutes

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

- ∞ July 1, 2025 - Regular Council meeting

Motion passed with no objection.

Financial Statements

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

- ∞ Budget to actual – June 30, 2025
- ∞ Budget to actual – July 31, 2025
- ∞ Cash disbursements – June 30, 2025
- ∞ Cash disbursements – July 31, 2025

Motion passed with no objection.

Mayor Walter Daniels III

- ∞ A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Coleman to adopt the adjusted millage rate of 4.740 mills. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Coleman, Core, Guzzardo, Richardson, Sumrall

NAYS: None, ABSTAIN: None, ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

- ∞ A motion was made by Guzzardo, seconded by Sumrall to set forth the adjusted millage rate and roll forward to the maximum rate of 4.940 mills. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Coleman, Core, Guzzardo, Richardson, Sumrall

NAYS: None, ABSTAIN: None, ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

- ∞ A motion was made by Richardson, seconded Guzzardo to remove Ordinance No. 12-2025, Suspend Annual Pay Increase from the agenda. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Coleman, Core, Guzzardo, Richardson, Sumrall

NAYS: None, ABSTAIN: None, ABSENT: None

Motion passed.

- ∞ Garbage proposals were received from Waste Pro and Amwaste. The scoring committee, which was comprised of Mark Kolwe, Jewel McCoy, and Tennis Rick, recommended Waste Pro for the garbage contract services. After the council's concerns were addressed by Kolwe and Mr. Jesse Murphy, representative from Waste Pro, a motion was made by Core, seconded by Richardson to authorize the Mayor to enter into contract with Waste Pro subject to the city attorney's review. A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Coleman, Core, Guzzardo, Richardson, Sumrall
NAYS: None, ABSTAIN: None, ABSENT: None
Motion passed.

- ∞ A motion was made by Richardson, seconded by Coleman to approve occupational license for Just Klean In Detailing, LLC, 502 S. First St., Amite, LA. A roll call vote was taken as follows:
YEAS: Coleman, Core, Guzzardo, Richardson, Sumrall
NAYS: None, ABSTAIN: None, ABSENT: None
Motion passed.
- ∞ After McCoy explained that a peddler's permit did not require the council approval, a motion was made by Sumrall, seconded by Core to remove Unique Creations' peddler permit from the agenda.
Motion passed with no objection.

Council Member Shirley Core

- ∞ Update on Daniel St. Bridge – Attorney Stevens stated we are still in contact with Vexus on repairing the bridge.

Council Member Mose Guzzardo

- ∞ Update on Wastewater Treatment Plant – Phase 1 – Jay Simon with Consolidated Services explained that Phase 1 substantial completion was done on July 31, 2025. The contractor has been given a punch list that needs to be completed within 30 days.
He also stated that Phase 2 has begun and will entail modifications to the Phase 1 building.

Council Member Rose Sumrall

- ∞ Police – Chief Francois stated that all is good.
- ∞ Fire – Chief Stevens stated that all is good.

Kolwe stated that Reid sent the boundary line drawings to Mr. Michael Hebert with Becker & Hebert. These drawings will be used as the basis for starting the legal description of the areas that the city wants annexed.

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

Jewel McCoy
City Clerk

Walter Daniels III
Mayor