

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LEONVILLE, LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2025, AT 6:00 PM IN THE MEETING ROOM OF THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Leonville was held on Tuesday, February 11, 2025, at 6:00 PM in the meeting room of the Municipal Building.

The mayor called the meeting to order.

Present were Mayor Nicholas Degueyter, Council Members Billy Lanclos, Kirk Stelly, Kerry Willingham, Benita Kennerson, Amanda Herpin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Kirk Stelly, seconded by Kerry Willingham, and carried that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with and accepted as written.

Greg Wyble thanked the maintenance department for the outstanding work on sewer issue.

Sheila Carter cancelled concerning animals at 237 Hurvey St, Kerry Willingham state issue was pig at residence.

On a motion by Billy Lanclos, duly seconded by Kerry Willingham the following ordinance was offered for adoption:

ORDINANCE NO. 1 OF 2025

ORDINANCE PROHIBITING SELLING ALCOHOL  
FOR CONSUMPTION ON PREMISES  
AND  
RESTRICTING HOURS OF OPERATIONS FOR BUSINESSES  
(See attached)

Woody Guidroz, 228 Stelly St property discussed, will budget for cleanup on next proposed budget.

Stephanie Briggs gave Engineering Report. Church Rd street project is complete, clear lien certification received. On a motion by Kirk Stelly, seconded by Amanda Herpin, all in favor approve Partial Payment No. 4 to Elliott Construction in the amount of \$40,205.06 to release retainage and the punch list. Street Project 2 will be advertising for bids by the end of February. WWTP is permitted, looking at electrical for new UV system, may have to upgrade. Water Sector Program, Phase 2 will be awarded on Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup>.

Lance Lee, town manager, gave report. Letter for wipes clogging the sewer system will need to go to all sewer customers.

Blake Davis with Fire District 5, anticipate the building of the new fire station being complete by end of 2025.

Annual Garage Sale will be Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Next regular meeting will be March 11, 2025



Christine Tidwell, Clerk



Nicholas Degueyter, Mayor

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BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen, of the Town of Leonville, Louisiana in general convened that:

**Drug- and Alcohol-Free Zones.**

(a) Definitions.

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

1. Full-time day care center or property used for a full-time day care center means any place or facility operated by any institution, society, agency, corporation, person, or any other group pursuant to a license issued by the state for the primary purpose of providing care, supervision, and guidance of seven or more children, not including those related to the caregiver, unaccompanied by a parent or guardian, on a regular basis for at least 12½ hours in a continuous seven-day week.
2. Property used for school purposes by any school means all property used for school purposes, including but not limited to school playgrounds.
3. School means any public or private elementary, secondary, or vocational-technical school or any public or private college or university in the state.

(b) Creation.

There are hereby created drug- and alcohol-free zones within the Town of Leonville, described as follows:

1. An area inclusive of any property used for school purposes by any school.
2. An area within 2,000 feet of any property used for school purposes by any school.
3. A school bus.
4. Any building or area owned by the state or by a political subdivision and used or operated as a playground or recreational facility.
5. Any park or recreational area administered by the state.
6. Any building owned by any quasi-public agency or body as defined in R.S. 24:513(A)(1)(b) and used or operated as a community center.
7. Any public housing dwelling.
8. Any area inclusive of any property used for a full-time day care center.
9. Any area within 2,000 feet of any property used for the purposes of a full-time day care center.

The existence of such zones is intended to enhance the community by fostering an environment conducive to learning and safety for students and families.

(c) Alcohol and drug prohibitions.

It shall be unlawful to sell, possess, consume, or distribute any illegal drugs or alcoholic beverages for consumption on premises within any of the designated drug- and alcohol-free zones described in subsection (b).

(d) Alcohol permit restrictions.

No alcohol permit shall be issued for the sale with the purpose of consumption of alcoholic beverages at any location within the Town of Leonville that would be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance.

**State law and parish ordinances applicable.**

All applicants for liquor/occupational permits and operators of businesses engaged in the sale of alcoholic beverages for the purpose of consumption at location of business within the Town of Leonville shall meet the qualifications and comply with all provisions of state law and St. Landry Parish ordinances regarding liquor permits and the operation of such businesses. This includes, but is not limited to, the applicable provisions of Louisiana Revised Statutes R.S. 26:71 et seq., R.S. 26:80, R.S. 26:82, R.S. 26:280, and relevant St. Landry Parish ordinances.

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**Hours of sale—Restricted.**

- (a) It shall be unlawful for anyone to sell or to serve alcoholic beverages or beer in any business establishment within the Town of Leonville between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. daily.
  - (b) It shall be unlawful to enter any place of business or establishment where alcoholic beverages or beer are being sold after the hour of 2:00 a.m. and before the hour of 5:00 a.m. daily. It shall also be unlawful for the owner, manager, operator, agent, or employees of any establishment where alcoholic beverages or beer are being sold to permit anyone to enter the premises between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. daily.
  - (c) Any person in a place of business or upon the premises where alcoholic beverages are sold shall promptly leave the premises at 2:00 a.m. daily. The owner, manager, operator, agent, or employees of such establishment shall ensure the premises are vacated by all persons, except the owner, manager, operator, agent, or employees, promptly at 2:00 a.m. daily.
  - (d) It shall be unlawful for anyone to consume alcoholic beverages or beer in a public place within the Town of Leonville between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. on any day.
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**Hours of operation—Restricted.**

- (a) All business establishments within the Town of Leonville, including those not selling alcoholic beverages, shall cease operations between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. daily, unless specifically exempted by the Town Council.
  - (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to enter a business establishment within the Town of Leonville during restricted hours of operation, and it shall be unlawful for the owner, manager, operator, agent, or employees of any such establishment to permit anyone to enter the premises during this time.
  - (c) The owner, manager, operator, agent, or employees of any business establishment shall ensure the premises are vacated by all persons, except the owner, manager, operator, agent, or employees, promptly at 2:00 a.m. daily.
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**Penalty for violation.**

Any person who violates the provisions of this ordinance shall, for the first offense, be fined \$500.00 or imprisoned for not more than 30 days, or both, at the discretion of the court.

For a second violation of this ordinance, the violator shall be fined \$1,000.00 or imprisoned for a term not to exceed 30 days, or both. Additionally, any license or permit issued to the violator by the town shall be revoked upon the second violation.

THIS ORDINANCE WAS INTRODUCED on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January 2025, and after being duly considered at a public hearing;

WHEREUPON the above ordinance was read and submitted to a vote thereon being as follows:

YEAS: *Kerry Willingham, Kirk Stelly, Billy Lancelos, Amanda Herpin, Benita Kennerson*

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

This Ordinance was declared adopted the 11 day of February, 2025 to be effective upon adoption.

/s/Nicholas Degueyter  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

/s/ Christine Tidwell  
TOWN CLERK