

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LEONVILLE, LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2023, 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, September 12, 2023, at 6:00 PM in the meeting room of the Municipal Building.

The mayor called the meeting to order.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

GOHSEP-Temporary Housing & Shelter Assistance Program, Waiver of Land Use/Permitting Form was discussed by the council. On a motion by Brandon Herpin, seconded by Benita Kennerson and all in favor, the council voted to Opt-In to the program for this year.

The following resolution was offered by Kirk Stelly, seconded by Billy Lanclos and duly resolved.

RESOLUTION #2023-05

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HOMELAND  
SECURITY AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS  
TEMPORARY HOUSING AND SHELTER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM  
EXPEDITED TEMPORARY HOUSING ASSISTANCE

Council discussed the annual COLA increase. Will be reviewed if cap is placed on maximum percentage if COLA exceeds a certain percentage.

Change in the wording on the Leonville Utility Cut Off Policy was discussed. On a motion by Kerry Willingham, seconded by Amanda Herpin and carried by all, updated Leonville Utility Cut Off Policy was accepted. (See Attached)


Sellers & Associates, Inc Engineering Report.

Lance Lee, Town Manager gave report.

There being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Next regular meeting will be October 10, 2023

  
Christine Tidwell, Clerk

  
Nicholas Degueyter, Mayor

TOWN OF LEONVILLE  
LOUISIANA

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By Billy Lancelos and duly resolved.

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**WHEREAS**, hurricane season in Louisiana presents unique and diverse obstacles for parish and municipal governments and their residents, and;

**WHEREAS**, the State of Louisiana and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) offers programs to help in the recovery efforts after storms, and;

**WHEREAS**, one of the programs is the Temporary Housing and Shelter Program, that, once activated in the parish, allows homeowners to place a temporary housing unit next to their damaged home, and;

**WHEREAS**, the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) and FEMA has been directed by Louisiana Act 526 to make the process of activating and implementing the Temporary Housing and Shelter Program as quickly and seamless as possible, they have created the Expedited Temporary Housing Assistance Waiver for Land to allow homeowners the ability to install temporary shelters, and;

**WHEREAS**, Louisiana Act 526 requires parish and municipalities to opt-in or opt-out of the waiver each year and return those waivers to the parish office of homeland security and emergency preparedness;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the council for the Town of Leonville, Louisiana hereby authorizes the mayor to (opt-in/opt-out) of the Expedited Temporary Housing Assistance Waiver for Land Use for the year 2023-2024 and will be reevaluated in September of 2024 and would only go into effect if the Temporary Housing and Shelter program is activated once a presidential emergency declaration has been declared for St. Landry Parish.

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CERTIFICATE

I, Christine Tidwell, Town Clerk of the Town of Leonville, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Leonville on September 12, 2023 at which time a quorum was present and voting.

  
CHRISTINE TIDWELL, CLERK

# Leonville Utility Cut Off Policy

1. A \$50.00 delinquent fee will be charged if bill is not paid by due date.
2. If on Cut Off List but customer pays before the cut off day, they must pay past due balance in full.
3. If service has been cut off, customer must pay past due balance in full and the delinquent fee of \$50.00.
4. If balance is owed from a previous address, customer cannot have a meter at a different location.
5. If pad lock is cut there is a \$100.00 fee. If meter is damaged, time and material will be charged to replace the meter. If vandalized, must have payment in full to turn meter back on. We will pursue criminal charges for theft of a utility.
6. On the cut off day, any payment received after 4 p.m. and customer wants service restored on the same day, fee will increase from \$50.00 to \$100.00.

## NO EXCEPTIONS