**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING, HELD ON JANUARY 9, 2023.**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, Louisiana, met in regular session at their regular meeting place the City Hall, Rayne, Louisiana, on Monday, January 9, 2023, at 6:00 (six) o’clock p.m.

There were present: Mayor Charles E. “Chuck” Robichaux, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

The Mayor and the Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana, were duly convened as the governing authority of said City, by Mayor Charles E. “Chuck” Robichaux, who stated that the Board was ready for the transaction of business.

There was a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry to approve, correct, and dispense with the reading of minutes of the December 12, 2022 regular council meeting and approved them as written and distributed. This was seconded by Calise Michael Doucet, and motion carried.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

December 12, 2022, Minute Correction---------------------------------------------------------

On a motion by Curtrese L. Minix and a second by Kenneth J. Guidry the DOTD Road Transfer Program (“W. Jeff Davis Ave., N. Polk St. & Stadium Dr. Improvements”) Award a construction contract in accordance with the City Engineer’s letter of recommendation was approved by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Curtrese L. Minix, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

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On a motion by Pete Babineaux and a second by Brian Seth Mouton the Agenda was amended. Item 8-I under New Business was changed to: To consider confirmation of Sgt. Michael Cormier of the Rayne Police Department as primary code enforcement officer to assist the Permit Department with policing code and ordinance violations was approved by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

The following ordinance was introduced by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2035-2023**

**An ordinance to amend that section of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rayne entitled "Sec. 10-2. Sale of alcoholic beverages limited; Sunday closing."**

On a motion by Calise Michael Doucet and a second by Kenneth J. Guidry the City of Rayne financials for December 2022, which included budget to actual comparisons on the major funds was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Calise Michael Doucet the appointment of Annette R. Cutrera as City Clerk-Tax Collector was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux and a second by Calise Michael Doucet the appointment of Michael Landry as City Attorney was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Kenneth J. Guidry the appointment of Angela Wagar as City Prosecutor was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Calise Michael Doucet and a second by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot the appointment of Thibodeaux Accounting Company LLC as City Auditors was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux and a second by Brian Seth Mouton the appointment of Kolder, Slaven & Company, LLC as Consulting C.P.A.’s was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux the appointment of Mader Engineering, Inc as City Engineers was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Brian Seth Mouton to *Lay on Table* and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux the appointment of Lee Seilhan as chairman of Planning and Zoning Committee for the 2023 Calendar year was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 4 - Brian Seth Mouton, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 1 - Kenneth J. Guidry ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Brian Seth Mouton and a second by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot the appointment of Sgt. Michael Cormier of the Rayne Police Department as primary code enforcement officer to assist the Permit Department with policing code and ordinance violations was accepted by the Council.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

The Engineer’s Report was presented by Tim Mader.

There being no further business to come before the Council, there was a motion by Calise Michael Doucet that the meeting be adjourned, this was seconded by Kenneth J. Guidry and carried.

YEAS: 5 - Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

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