**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING, HELD ON SEPTEMBER 11, 2017.**

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, September 11, 2017 at 6:00 (six) o’clock p.m.

There were present: Mayor Charles “Chuck” Robichaux, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Curtrese L. Minix, Kenneth J. Guidry, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

There were absent: None.

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 “Chuck” Robichaux, who stated that the Board was ready for the transaction of business.

There was a motion by Calise Michael Doucet to dispense with the reading of minutes of the August 14, 2017 regular council meeting and approved them as written and distributed. This was seconded by Kenneth J. Guidry and motion carried.

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

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, to open the Public Hearing for the purpose of discussing Ordinance # 2000 & 2001.

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

1. Proposed Ordinance #2000,Adopting an Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018**.**
2. Proposed Ordinance #2001, Amending the City of Rayne’s 2016-2017 Budget

After some discussion there was a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Calise Michael Doucet, to close the Public Hearing on the purpose of Ordinance # 2000 & #2001

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

The following ordinance was offered by Kenneth J. Guidry, duly seconded by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, and duly resolved and adopted on **11th** day of **September, 2017.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2000**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2017 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2018.**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana:

**Section 1.**

The attached detailed estimate of Revenues for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018 be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as an Operating Budget of Revenues for the City of Rayne during the same period.

**Section 2.**

The attached estimate of Expenditures by department for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018 be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as a Budget of Expenditures for the City of Rayne during the same period.

**Section 3.**

The adoption of this Operating Budget of Expenditures be and the same is hereby declared to operate as an appropriation of the amount therein set forth within the terms of the budget classification.

**Section 4.**

Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included within the terms of the 2017-2018 budget.

**Section 5.**

After being considered section by section and being put to a vote on the whole, the vote thereon was as follows:

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

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

And the said ordinance was therefore declared adopted on this **11th** day of **September, 2017.**

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CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK

The above ordinance was presented to the Mayor by the Clerk, approved by the Mayor and returned to the Clerk on this **11th** day of **September, 2017.**

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CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK

The following ordinance was offered by Calise Michael Doucet, duly seconded by Kenneth J. Guidry, and duly resolved and adopted on **11th** day of **September, 2017.**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2001**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF RAYNE BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2016 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017.**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana:

**Section 1.**

The attached detailed amended Schedule of Revenues for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016 and ending September 30, 2017 be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as an Operating Budget of Revenues for the City of Rayne during the same period.

**Section 2.**

The attached amended Schedule of Expenditures by department for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016 and ending September 30, 2017 be and the same is hereby adopted to serve as a Budget of Expenditures for the City of Rayne during the same period.

**Section 3.**

The adoption of this amended Operating Budget of Expenditures be and the same is hereby declared to operate as an appropriation of the amount therein set forth within the terms of the budget classification.

**Section 4.**

Amounts are available for expenditures only to the extent included within the terms of the 2016-2017 budget.

**Section 5.**

After being considered section by section and being put to a vote on the whole, the vote thereon was as follows:

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

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

And the said ordinance was therefore declared adopted on this **11th** day of **September, 2017.**

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CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK

The above ordinance was presented to the Mayor by the Clerk, approved by the Mayor and returned to the Clerk on this **11th** day of **September, 2017.**

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CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK

The City Clerk, Mrs. Annette R. Cutrera, presented the City of Rayne Monthly Financial Update as of July 31, 2017 to the Council.

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Calise Michael Doucet, a request by Zerbini Family Circus to hold a Circus Event at the City of Rayne Festival Grounds on March 25 & 26, 2017 was approved.

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

Mayor announced that Allen Credeur was reelected by the Rayne Police Department as Chairman to the City of Rayne Municipal Police Civil Service Board for another three (3) year term ending on July 29, 2020.

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, for a Street Drive request by Sisters of A&O to be held on October 6, 2017 from 4:00 PM till 7:00 PM and October 7, 2017 from 9:00 AM till 1:00 PM on Hwy 90 / Texas Ave and Hwy 90/ Polk Street was approved.

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

 On a **Motion to TAKE from the Table** by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Consider Nathan Joubert appeal against the decision to re-zone the property described as 400 and 402 North McGown Street, from its current C-2 zoning back to its original R-3 Classification.

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

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, to deny the appeal by Nathan Joubert against the decision to re-zone the property described as 400 and 402 North McGown Street, from its current C-2 zoning back to its original R-3 Classification.

YEAS: 4 – Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 1 - Curtrese L. Minix ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, the owner of the property located at 902 W. Jeff Davis was given 90 days from September 11, 2017 to complete demolition and clean the property.

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

On a motion by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux and a second by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot, the owner of the property located at 908 W. Jeff Davis was given 30 days from September 11, 2017 to come up with a plan of action.

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

In regards to the property located at 800 S. Adams there was no action taken.

In regards to the property located at 610 W. Branche there was no action taken.

On a **Motion to TAKE from the Table** by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Curtrese L. Minix, Consider the request foraLiquor Permit for Joubert Palace owned Lillian B. Senegal, located at 400 N. McGown Street, Rayne, LA 70578.

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

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux,the request foraLiquor Permit for Joubert Palace owned Lillian B. Senegal, located at 400 N. McGown Street, Rayne, LA 70578 was rejected.

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

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, authorizing the Mayor to prepare and submit an application for funding under the Louisiana FY 2017-2018 Capital Outlay Program to replace the existing Martin Luther King Center Building with a new building.

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

There being no further business to come before the Council, there was a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot that the meeting be adjourned, this was seconded by Calies M. Doucet and carried.

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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