**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 13, 2020.**

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 13, 2020 at 6:00 (six) o’clock p.m.

There were present: Mayor Charles E. “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 E. “Chuck” Robichaux, who stated that the Board was ready for the transaction of business.

There was a motion by Calise Michael Doucet to approve, correct, and dispense with the reading of minutes of the Monday, December 9, 2019 regular council meeting and approved them as written and distributed. This was seconded by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot 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

The following resolution was offered by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, seconded by Kenneth J. Guidry and duly resolved and adopted on **­­13th** day of **January, 2020.**

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF**

**THE 2020 UNITED STATES CENSUS**

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the United States of America requires that a census be taken every 10 years, with the first census having taken place in 1790, and the next census to take place in 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rayne is committed to ensuring that every resident is counted; and

**WHEREAS**, federal and state funding is allocated to communities, and decisions are made on matters of national and local importance based, in part, on census data; and

**WHEREAS**, census data helps determine how many seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives and is necessary for the accurate and fair redistricting of state legislative seats, parish and city governments, and voting districts; and

**WHEREAS**, information from the 2020 Census and American Community Survey are vital tools for economic development and increased employment; and

**WHEREAS**, the information collected by the census is confidential and protected by law; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayor Chuck Robichaux will appoint a Complete Count Committee and designate a Chairperson/Liaison to work with the community and the US Census Bureau to ensure a complete and accurate count of all persons within the City of Rayne, Parish of Acadia, Louisiana;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of Rayne supports the goals and ideals of the 2020 Census, pledges support of the US Census Bureau and the City of Rayne Administration efforts to disseminate 2020 Census information, and encourages all people in Rayne to participate in events and initiatives that will raise awareness of the 2020 Census and increase participation among populations .

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, 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.

This resolution was declared adopted on this **13th** day of **January, 2020.**

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

CERTIFICATE

I, ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, City Clerk of the City of Rayne, LA, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the City of Rayne, LA in regular session on **January 13, 2020.**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_ ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK

The City Clerk, Mrs. Annette R. Cutrera, presented the City of Rayne Monthly Financial Update as of November 31, 2019 which included budget to actual comparisons on the major funds to the Council.

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Calise Michael Doucet to consider a recommendation by the board members of Acadia Parish Fire District #9 to reinstate Alton Thibodeaux as a board member for 2020-2022 was 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 consider a request by City Court to declare the following items as surplus:



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 Curtrese L. Minix to consider a request by Kerry Delatte and Kimberly Miller with Altered Metal Car & Truck Show at the Pavilion on March 27-29, 2020 was 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

Mrs. Becky Haaland presented a handmade quilt to veteran Russell Domingue.

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot to consider a request by Fran Bihm to hold the 5th Annual Rayne Mardi Gras Parade and After Party on Saturday, February 22, 2020.

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 Curtrese L. Minix to consider a request by Ludy Bellard to hold a parade and event on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 for The Krew of King and Queen Extraordinaire.

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 byJames A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Calise Michael Doucet for the City of Rayne to enter into the 2020 Cleanest City Contest was 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 byLendell J. “Pete” Babineaux and a second by Calise Michael Doucet to consider a request by the Rayne Planning and Zoning Committee to approve the renewal of Lee Seilhan as chairman of the Rayne Planning and Zoning Committee for the 2020 calendar year was 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

There being no further business to come before the Council, there was a motion by Curtrese L. Minix that the meeting be adjourned, this was seconded by Calise Michael 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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CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK