**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR PRO-TEM AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANAURY 9, 2017.**

The Mayor Pro-Tem 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, 2017 at 6:00 (six) o’clock p.m.

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

There were absent: None.

The Mayor Pro-Tem 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 Pro-Tem Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, who stated that the Board was ready for the transaction of business.

There was a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot to dispense with the reading of minutes of the December 12, 2016 regular council meeting and approved them as written and distributed. This was seconded by Curtrese L. Minix and motion carried.

YEAS: 4 – Curtrese L. Minix, Kenneth J. Guidry, Calise Michael Doucet

 and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Curtrese L. Minix and a second by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot, the City Council approved the City of Rayne entering in the 2017 Cleanest City Contest.

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 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, the City Council approved reappointing Phil Hebert as a board member of the Rayne Volunteer Fire Department and Fire Protection #9.

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 and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

Fran Bihm, Executive Director of Rayne Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture, announced the upcoming 2017 Mardi Gras Parade will be held on Saturday, February 25, 2017. The parade will begin at 3:00 p.m., travel along the Boulevard and S. Adams and end at the Frog Festival Pavilion. The purpose of the parade is to promote tourism, unite the community, and economic development. The City of Rayne is a co-sponsor of the parade.

There being no further business to come before the Council, there was a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry

that the meeting be adjourned, this was seconded by Calise Michael Doucet and carried.

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 and James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot.

 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

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LENDELL J. “PETE” BABINEAUX, MAYOR PRO-TEM

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