

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING, HELD ON NOVEMBER 14, 2022.**

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, November 14, 2022 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.

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 October 2022 regular council meeting and approved them as written and distributed. This was seconded by Calise Michael Doucet, and motion carried.

YEAS: 4 - Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. "Pete" Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet and James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot.

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

The proposed Ordinance # 2033-2022 – An Ordinance adopting an amended Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2022, and ending September 30, 2023 was introduced by Kenneth J. Guidry.

The proposed Ordinance # 2034-2022 – An Ordinance to amend Section. 2-94 (c) Compensation and benefits., of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Rayne was introduced by Kenneth J. Guidry.

On a motion by Calise Michael Doucet and a second by Kenneth J. Guidry there will be a Budget and Public Hearing held for both Ordinances at the December 12, 2022, Council meeting.

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 Calise Michael Doucet, seconded by Lendell J. "Pete" Babineaux and duly resolved and adopted on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022.

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF RAYNE AN APPLICATION TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 - 2023 OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Rayne wishes to submit an application to the Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023 Office of Community Development Local Government Assistance Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has determined that various sidewalk and drainage improvements are desperately needed within the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen desire that the project applied for be the most cost effective one for the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Alderman of the City of Rayne that the Mayor be, and he is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to prepare and submit to the Office of Community Development Local Government Assistance Program for and on behalf of the City of Rayne a Grant Application for Fiscal Year 2022 - 2023, and to sign on behalf of the City of Rayne and by his signature to enter into any and all contractual obligations on behalf of the City of Rayne under this program.

**THEREUPON**, the above resolution was duly adopted.

The foregoing 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            ABSTAIN: 0            ABSENT: 0

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022.

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**ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK**

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**CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR**

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**C E R T I F I C A T E**

I, **ANNETTE R. CUTRERA**, Clerk of the City of Rayne, do hereby certify that the above is a true and exact copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen on November 14, 2022, at which time a quorum was present and voting.

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**ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK**

The following resolution was offered by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot, seconded by Calise Michael Doucet and duly resolved and adopted on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022.

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO SUBMIT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF RAYNE A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2022 – 2023 COMMUNITY WATER ENRICHMENT FUND PROGRAM FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the City's existing water distribution system is in need of improvements, and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen believe that the proposed improvements will benefit the entire community;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City of Rayne that the Mayor be, and he is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to submit to the Office of Community Development's Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 Community Water Enrichment Fund Program for and on behalf of the City of Rayne a grant application for Water Distribution System Improvements.

**THEREUPON**, the above resolution was duly adopted.

The foregoing 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            ABSTAIN: 0            ABSENT: 0

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**RESOLUTION**  
**RETIREE INSURANCE**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that full-time city employees with 20 years of service (and their spouse), eligible for retirement with a municipal retirement system and less than 65 years of age will be allowed to continue participating in the City Group Health Plan at 64% / 36% cost share of the premiums, upon retirement, effective January 1, 2017. Be it also resolved, that full-time city employees with 20 years of service (and their spouse) eligible for retirement with a municipal retirement system and 65 years of age or older will be allowed to participate in the Medicare Supplement at a 64% / 36% cost share of the premiums, upon retirement, effective January 1, 2017.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that should the employee die before his or her spouse, the spouse is entitled to continue participating in the City Group Health Plan or Medicare Supplement provided the spouse pays 100% of the premiums involved.

**THEREUPON**, the above resolution was duly adopted.

The foregoing 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 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022.

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**ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK**

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

On a motion by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot and a second by Curtrese L. Minix a request by the Electrical Department to declare 1-Toshiba Satellite Laptop, serial # Z9239672Q and 1- HP Officejet Pro 8710, serial # CN88EBT1CP as surplus was accepted 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

On a motion from James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot and second from Kenneth J. Guidry the following were appointed to the Historical Committee upon recommendation by the mayor: Martha Royer, Daniel Simoneaux, Denise Underwood, Jo Anne Colligan, Lisa Soileaux and Mayor Pro Tem Lendell "Pete" Babineaux (contact/oversight).

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

It was announced that the City of Rayne Christmas Parade is scheduled for Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 6:00pm. The official route was discussed and will be announced.

It was announced that the City of Rayne will once again have Breakfast with Santa. The event is scheduled for Saturday, December 10, 2022 and will be held at the Civic Center Auditorium.

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux to consider a request by the Rayne Lions Club to hold a street drive on Friday & Saturday, November 18 & 19, 2022 on Hwy. 90/Texas Avenue, Hwy. 90/Polk Street and Hwy. 90/Hwy. 35 was accepted 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

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux to consider a request by the Knights of Columbus to hold a street drive on Friday & Saturday, December 16 & 17, 2022 on Hwy. 90/Texas Avenue and Hwy. 90/Hwy. 35 was accepted by the council.

YEAS: 4 - Curtrese L. Minix, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux, Calise Michael Doucet

NAYS: 0            ABSTAIN: 1 - James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot            ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Calise Michael Doucet and a second by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot a request by the Police Department to declare 1-2007 Dodge Durango, vin 1D8HD38P07F584726, with 137,860 miles and 1-2008 Ford Expedition, vin 1FMFU15558LA71127, with 202,787 miles as surplus was accepted 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

The Engineer’s Report was presented by Tim Mader.

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 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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