

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MAYOR AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING, HELD ON October 12, 2026.

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, Louisiana, met at their regular meeting place the City Hall, Rayne, Louisiana, on Monday, October 12, 2026, at 6:00 (six) o'clock p.m.

There were present: Mayor Charles E. "Chuck" Robichaux, Brian Seth Mouton, Kenneth J. Guidry, Lendell J. "Pete" Babineaux, 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 Calise Michael Doucet to approve, correct, and dispense with the reading of minutes of the September 2026 regular council meeting and approved them as written and distributed. This was seconded by Kenneth J. Guidry 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

Prior to introduction, it was decided to postpone Ordinance #2064-2026 until the November 2026 meeting.

ORDINANCE 2064-2026 - An ordinance recognizing and continuing the existing operational authority of the Ward 1 City Marshal of the City of Rayne, Louisiana and expressly authorizing certain powers as authorized by LSA-R.S. 13:1881 as amended by ACT 866 (H.B. 1038) of the 2026 Louisiana Legislative Session

The following resolution was offered by Lendell J. "Pete" Babineaux and seconded by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot and duly resolved and adopted on this 12th day of October 2026.

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYNE, ACADIA PARISH, LOUISIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE LOUISIANA COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AUDIT ENGAGEMENTS OF GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne having received notice from the Legislative Auditor of the State of Louisiana, that the Compliance Questionnaire must be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Compliance Questionnaire is a required part of a financial audit of Louisiana governmental units and quasi-public; and

WHEREAS, the legal matters contained in the questionnaire parallel those matters contained in the Laws Affecting Louisiana Government; and

WHEREAS, the completed Compliance Questionnaire must be given to the auditors at the beginning of the audit and tested for accuracy of the responses in the questionnaire during the course of the audit;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, in regular session, duly convened, that they do hereby adopt the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire, dated October 12, 2026, to Thibodeaux Accounting Company, L.L.C. in connection with the audit of the financial statements for the year ending September 30, 2026, which questionnaire is attached to this resolution.

THEREUPON, the above resolution was duly adopted.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

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

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 12th day of October 2026.

ANGELIQUE N. BREAU, CITY CLERK CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR

CERTIFICATE

I, ANGELIQUE N. BREAU, City 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 of the City of Rayne on October 12, 2026, at which time a quorum was present and voting.

BY:

ANGELIQUE N. BREAU, CITY CLERK

CITY OF RAYNE

The following resolution was offered by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot seconded by Calise Michael Doucet and duly resolved and adopted on this 12th day of October 2026.

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEASE/CONTRACT FOR OPERATION OF CITY OF RAYNE ANIMAL CONTROL AND ADOPTION SHELTER

WHEREAS the City of Rayne owns and previously operated the City of Rayne Animal Control and Adoption Shelter located at 1321 Section Avenue (hereinafter the "Shelter"); and

WHEREAS the Shelter serves a valuable public purpose in controlling, handling, and housing stray, dangerous, and/or other animals as allowed, provided for and/or mandated by the City of Rayne Code of Ordinances including but not limited to Chapter 18 thereof; and

WHEREAS in recent years the City of Rayne, pursuant to a contract, has turned over the operation of the Shelter to Haseyas New Beginning, Inc. and Kelli Briscoe whereby the said Haseyas New Beginning, Inc. and Kelli Briscoe assume responsibility for the operation, care, and upkeep of the Shelter and the care of the animals housed therein including all costs of food and medical care of said animals thereby resulting in substantial savings to the City of Rayne; and

WHEREAS the contract described above has expired and is up for renewal and the parties thereto desire to renew same;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Mayor Charles E. Robichaux be, and he is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Rayne a contract and/or renewal of contract between the City and Haseyas New Beginning, Inc. and Kelli Briscoe for the lease and operation of the Shelter upon such other terms and conditions as the said Mayor deems fit in his sole discretion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any and all actions of the mayor taken in connection with or for the purpose of renewing and/or entering in to said contract as set forth hereinabove be and they are hereby ratified.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

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

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 12th day of October 2026.

ANGELIQUE N. BREAUX, CITY CLERK CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR

CERTIFICATE

I, ANGELIQUE N. BREAUX, City 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 of the City of Rayne on October 12, 2026, at which time a quorum was present and voting.

BY:

ANGELIQUE N. BREAUX, CITY CLERK

CITY OF RAYNE

The following resolution was offered by Kenneth J. Guidry seconded by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot and duly resolved and adopted on this 12th day of October 2026.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYNE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AND SUBMIT THE COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA AND THE CITY OF RAYNE FOR THE PLANNING AND CONSTRUCTION WORK ASSOCIATED WITH THE WATER TOWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (FP&C No.50-MO8-26-01)

WHEREAS, the City of Rayne has received funding from the State of Louisiana via the Capital Outlay Act (Capital Outlay Savings Fund) for the planning and construction work associated with improvements to the City's water system infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the City must enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana in order to receive said funds;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne that the honorable Charles E. Robichaux, Mayor, is hereby authorized to sign and submit the required Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the State of Louisiana and the City of Rayne for the planning and construction of the Water Tower Improvements project.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

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

And the resolution was declared adopted on this 12th day of October 2026.

ANGELIQUE N. BREAUX, CITY CLERK CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR

CERTIFICATE

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CITY OF RAYNE

On a motion by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot and a second by Lendell J. "Pete" Babineaux the City of Rayne financials for September 2026 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

Trick-or-Treat times were announced for the City of Rayne. Halloween will be celebrated on Saturday, October 31, 2026 with Fright Fest Event at the Civic Center from 6:00pm-8:00pm and door-to-door from 5:30pm-7:30pm.

On a motion by Calise Michael Doucet and a second by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot the owner of 934 East Branche St – Dora Benoit Dailey was granted 90 days to demolish and clean-up the property 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 owner of 500 4th St – Andrew Begnaud ETAL / C/O Anthony Begnaud was granted 90 days to demolish and clean-up the property 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 and a second by Kenneth J. Guidry the owner of 907 Lyman – Frederick Rochon was given 30 days to obtain permits and begin repairs 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 and a second by Lendell J. "Pete" Babineaux the owner of 401 Holt – Joyce Hunter C/O Glenn Hunter was given 90 days to demolish the property 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 Council authorized a resolution to appoint an attorney to represent absentee owners of 401 Holt.

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 resolution was offered by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot seconded by Kenneth J. Guidry and duly resolved and adopted on this 12th day of October 2026.

RESOLUTION TO APPOINT AN ATTORNEY AS CURATOR FOR THE ABSENTEE OWNERS AND/OR UNOPENED SUCCESSIONS OF THE PREVIOUS OWNERS OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 401 HOLT, RAYNE, LOUISIANA FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDEMNATION PROCEEDINGS

WHEREAS the property located at 401 Holt, Rayne Louisiana is in a dangerous and dilapidated condition which endangers public health, safety, and welfare and is in need of being condemned and demolished;

WHEREAS there are a number of owners of said property who have passed away whose successions have not been opened and/or other owners who are absentees whose whereabouts are unknown and cannot be located;

WHEREAS it is necessary to appoint an attorney as curator for the absentee owners and/or unopened successions of the previous owners of said property as identified by the City Attorney for the purpose of receiving service and/or notice on their behalf of condemnation proceedings involving said properties including rules to show cause, notices of intent to commence demolition; notice of demolition and demand for payment of costs and any other notices required by law;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, that the City of Rayne appoint Glenn Howie. Attorney at law, as curator for the absentee owners and/or unopened successions of the previous owners of said property as identified by the City Attorney for the purpose of receiving service and/or notice on their behalf of condemnation proceedings involving said properties including rules to show cause, notices of intent to commence demolition; notice of demolition and demand for payment of costs and any other notices required by law to serve.

This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

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 And the resolution was declared adopted on this 12th day of October 2026.

ANGELIQUE N. BREAUX, CITY CLERK CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR

CERTIFICATE

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The Engineer's Report was presented by Tim Mader.

On a motion by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot and a second by Kenneth J. Guidry, a request to consider a letter of recommendation and bid tabulation regarding bids received for the "2026-2027 Water Tower Improvements Project" was accepted by the Council. Southern Coatings was the recommended bid.

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

Sergeant Brad Nation from the Police Department and Earline Francis from the Street Department were recognized for being selected as employee of the month.

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot and seconded by Kenneth J. Guidry to adjourn and the 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

ANGELIQUE N. BREAUX, CITY CLERK CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR