
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 14, 2019 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 approve, correct, and dispense with the reading of minutes of the December 10, 2018 regular council meeting and approved them as written and distributed. This was seconded by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux and motion carried.


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 14th day of January, 2019.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF RAYNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ACTING AS THE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF RAYNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA (THE "CITY"), TO ISSUE UTILITIES REVENUE BONDS IN THE NAME OF THE CITY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2,600,000) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING AND ACQUIRING IMPROVEMENTS AND EXTENSIONS TO THE WATER PORTION OF THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING THE PAYMENT OF THE COST OF ALL NECESSARY LAND, EQUIPMENT AND FURNISHINGS, AND ALL ENGINEERING, LEGAL AND OTHER INCIDENTAL COSTS AND FEES INCURRED IN CONNECTION THERewith; GENERALLY DESCRIBING SAID UTILITIES REVENUE BONDS AND THE SECURITY THEREFOR; AUTHORIZING THE NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF SUCH INTENTION SETTING FORTH A DATE AND TIME WHEN SAID GOVERNING AUTHORITY WILL MEET IN OPEN AND PUBLIC SESSION TO HEAR ANY OBJECTIONS TO THE PROPOSED ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS; APPLYING TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR THE APPROVAL OF THE
ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana, now owns and operates a combined electric power and light system, waterworks system and sewer system (collectively, the "System") and proposes to construct and acquire improvements and extensions to the water portion of the System, including the payment of the cost of all necessary land, equipment and furnishings, and all engineering, legal and other incidental costs and fees incurred in connection therewith; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes to finance all or part of the costs thereof through the sale and issuance of not exceeding Two Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars ($2,600,000) of its Utilities Revenue Bonds (the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the City proposes that the Bonds will be issued in the manner prescribed by and under the authority of R.S. 39:524, and Sub-Part A, Part II, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the City has no outstanding indebtedness payable from the revenues of the System; EXCEPT its outstanding Taxable Utilities Revenue Bond, Series 2018; and

WHEREAS, this Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, now desire to authorize the giving and publication of notice of intention generally describing the Bonds and the security therefor, setting forth a date and time when they will meet in open and public session to hear any and all objections to the proposed issuance of the Bonds, providing for the filing of a petition by a certain hereinafter described percentage of the electors objecting to the issuance of the Bonds unless an election is held on the question of the issuance thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as governing authority of the City, that:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of the Act, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, the City acting through this Governing Authority does hereby declare its intention to issue not exceeding Two Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars ($2,600,000) of Utilities Revenue Bonds of the City in one or more series, the proceeds of which will be used for constructing and acquiring improvements and extensions to the water portion of the System, including the payment of the cost of all necessary land, equipment and furnishings, and all engineering, legal and other incidental costs and fees incurred in connection therewith. The Bonds shall be limited and special revenue bonds of the City, secured by and payable in principal and interest (and administration fee, if any) solely from the income and revenues derived or to be derived by the City from the operation of the System, after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the System. The Bonds shall not be a charge on the other income and revenues of the City, nor shall they constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the City. The Bonds will be authorized and issued by ordinance of this Governing Authority. The Bonds shall be of such series, bear such date, mature at such time or times
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE NOT EXCEEDING
$2,600,000 OF UTILITIES REVENUE BONDS
OF THE
CITY OF RAYNE, STATE OF LOUISIANA

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the provisions of a resolution adopted on January 14, 2019, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana (the "City"), and in accordance with the provisions of R.S. 39:524, and Sub-Part A, Part II, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto (the "Act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority, that the City does hereby declare its intention to issue not exceeding Two Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars ($2,600,000) of Utilities Revenue Bonds of the City (the "Bonds"), the proceeds of which will be used to finance the costs of constructing and acquiring improvements and extensions to the waterworks portion of the City’s combined electric power and light system, waterworks system and sewer system (collectively, the “System”), including the payment of the cost of all necessary land, equipment and furnishings portion of, and all engineering, legal and other incidental costs and fees incurred in connection therewith by the City. The Bonds shall be limited and special obligations of the City, secured by and payable in principal and interest (and administration fee, if any), solely from the income and revenues derived or to be derived by the City from the operation of the System, after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of administering, operating and maintaining the System. The Bonds shall not be a charge on the other income and revenues of the City, nor shall they constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the City. The Bonds will be authorized and issued by ordinance of the Governing Authority and shall be in one or more series, bear such date, mature at such time or times (not to exceed twenty-two [22] years from their date of issuance), bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding 2.45% per annum (which includes any administrative fee), be in such denomination or denominations, be in fully registered form, carry such registration privileges, be payable in such medium of payment and at such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption and be entitled to such priorities on the income and revenues of the System as such ordinance may provide. The authority to issue such Bonds shall be in addition to any other authority.

The Governing Authority will, in such ordinance, enter into such covenants with the owner or owners of the Bonds as to the management and operation of the System, the imposition and collection of rates and charges for the services rendered thereby, the disposition of such fees and revenues, the issuance of future bonds and the creation of future liens and encumbrances against the System and the revenues therefrom, the carrying of insurance, the keeping of books and records, and other pertinent matters as may be deemed proper by said Governing Authority to assure the marketability of the Bonds, consistent with the provisions of the Act. Such ordinance will also include remedies in case of default, provisions for the issuance of parity bonds and such additional covenants, agreements and provisions as are judged advisable or necessary by the Governing Authority for the security of the Bonds, including a sinking fund and a reserve fund for the payment of principal and interest (and administration fee, if any) on the Bonds, and an adequate depreciation fund for those repairs, extensions and improvements to the System as may be necessary to assure adequate and efficient service to the public, all as provided by the Act.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the City expects to sell the Bonds at a private sale, as provided for in the Act, to the Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund, and that the
Commission on behalf of the Issuer, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application. By virtue of applicant/issuer=s application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission=s approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that it understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns to, full and continuing compliance with the AState Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.@, adopted by the Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the implementation or use of any swap(s) or other product(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby.

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


NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 14th day of January, 2019.

CHARLES E. ROBICHAUX, MAYOR

ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF ACADIA

I, the undersigned City Clerk of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana (the "City"), do hereby certify that the foregoing pages constitute a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by said Mayor and Board of Aldermen (the "Governing Authority") on January 14, 2019, declaring the intention of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the City of Rayne, State of Louisiana (the "City"), to issue Utilities Revenue Bonds in the name of the City in an amount not to exceed Two Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars ($2,600,000) for the purpose of constructing and acquiring improvements and extensions to the water portion of the System, including the payment of the cost of all necessary land, equipment
This resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:


NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 0

And the resolution was declared adopted on this, the 14th day of January, 2019.

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 14, 2019.

BY: ANNETTE R. CUTRERA, CITY CLERK

The following resolution was offered by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot seconded by Kenneth J. Guidry and duly resolved and adopted on 14th day of January, 2019.

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS AND DESIGNATING THE TIME AND PLACE THAT THE BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

EDGEWOOD SUBDIVISION STREET IMPROVEMENTS

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the City of Rayne that the Plans and Specifications for the project, “EDGEWOOD SUBDIVISION STREET IMPROVEMENTS”, prepared by Mader Engineering, are hereby approved and;
On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Calise Michael Doucet, to consider a request by John Stefanis to host a Crawfish Boil Fundraiser at the Pavilion on April 3, 2019.
NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Lendell J. "Pete" Babineaux, to authorize the Mayor to seek emergency replacement of the last 2 breakers at the North Sub-Station which have major issues.
NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

Nita McCall addressed the Council regarding a dog problem in her neighborhood.

Fran Bihm with the Rayne Chamber of Commerce addressed the Council regarding the City of Rayne co-sponsoring the Mardi Gras Parade.

On a motion by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot and a second by Lendell J. "Pete" Babineaux, to consider a request by Fire District #9 to reinstate Phil Hebert as a member of the board.
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 Mayor to replace William Wynn, who resigned from his position with the Rayne Housing Board with Carroll Stelly.
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 1- James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot – Member of the Housing Authority Board
ABSENT: 0

Jamie Guillory with Med Express introduced herself and introduced a program they are pursuing for Acadia Parish next month.

On a motion by Curtrese L. Minix and a second by James A. "Jimmy" Fontenot, to consider entering the City of Rayne into the 2019 Cleanest City Contest.
NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0
On a motion by Lendell J. “Pete” Babineaux and a second by Calise Michael Doucet, to consider receiving nominations by the Mayor and consider confirmation of appointment of Mader Engineering as City Engineers.


NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Kenneth J. Guidry on a recommendation by the Planning Commission to approve a variance for Ali LeLeux to put a beauty salon and boutique at 309 E Louisiana Ave. which is zoned R-1.


NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by Calise Michael Doucet to amend the agenda was carried.


NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Calise Michael Doucet to add various water meters to surplus was carried to add water meter surplus and 2020 Census Speaker.


NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

Mr. Chris Emanuel with the 2020 census at 210 N. Parkerson St. in Rayne hires census for September 2020 addressed the council.

On a motion by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot and a second by Curtrese L. Minix, the owner of 811 Reynolds has 90 days to demo.


NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0

On a motion by Kenneth J. Guidry and a second by James A. “Jimmy” Fontenot, the owner of 605 East Butler has 30 days to come up with plan of action, if demolition is decided upon, owner has 90 days.


NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 0