MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCILMEN OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN ON DECEMBER 9, 2013, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney D. Arceneaux Councilman Kenneth Matassa Councilman Timothy Vessel Sr.

Councilman Kirk Boudreaux Councilman Terance Irvin Councilman Gary Lacombe

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Lisa Babin, Administrative Clerk Clay Stafford, City Clerk

Ryland Percy, City Attorney Sherman Jackson, Police Chief

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Gary Lacombe to approve the minutes from the last meeting, held on November 25, 2013.

UNANIMOUS

Motion by Councilman Terance Irvin, seconded by Councilman Kenneth Matassa to approve the request of Sherman Jackson, Police Chief to install 10 MPH street signs on Terry, Tabbie, and Alan St. off of Darla Ave.

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Mike Schexnayder of Postletwhaite and Netterville presented the FY 2013 financial audit. He stated that the city is in good financial standing. Councilman Lacombe asked Mr. Schexnayder to affirm that the actions taken by the council in May of 2013 to amend the 2013-2014 budget to eliminate using money from the fund balance was the right thing to do. Mr. Schexnayder responded that the city council absolutely did the right thing. The combined fund balance for the General Fund and Capital Outlay Fund was \$11,385,591 as of May 31, 2013. Mr. Schexnayder explained the importance of a "healthy" fund balance which provides the city with flexibility to quickly react to events such as natural disasters to provide the citizens with immediate services and not have to wait on federal assistance which could take several days.

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Councilmen of the City of Gonzales and upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor-Administrator

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ATTEST

Clay A. Stafford, City Clerk