

**MINUTES OF THE Tuesday August 28, 2018**

**BROUSSARD CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Held at Broussard Council Chambers at 6:00 p.m.**

Present:

Tina Emert, City Clerk  
Councilwoman Angel Racca, District I  
Councilman David Bonin, District II  
Councilman Ray Bourque, District III  
Councilwoman Gertrude Batiste, District IV  
Councilman Kenny Higginbotham, District V  
Councilman Ray Gary, District VI  
Councilman Johnnie Foco, At Large  
Don Landry, City Attorney  
Walter Comeaux, City Engineer  
Mark Savoy, City Engineer  
Brannon Decou, Police Chief  
Dennis Mouton, Assistant Fire Chief  
Mel Bertrand, City Supervisor  
Blake Hampton and members of Derek Development

Absent:

Mayor Charles Langlinais

**Meeting called to order** = Councilman Foco called the meeting to order.

**Opening Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance** = Councilman Foco lead with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silent prayer was done and Councilman Foco asked to keep former Senator keep Craig Romero's family in your prayers after his son passed away in an accident this week.

**Approval of Minutes of minutes of the Regular Meeting on August 14, 2018=**

Moved by Councilwoman Batiste and second by Councilman Higginbotham to adopt the minutes of the August 14, 2018 regular city council. Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II = Yea	District V = Yea
District III = Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

**Approve receipt of the July 2018 Expenditure Report =**

Moved by Councilman Gary and second by Councilman Bonin to approve receipt of the July 2018 Expenditure Report from Tina. Roll call:

District I = Yea  
District II = Yea  
District III = Yea  
At Large = Yea  
District IV = Yea  
District V = Yea  
District VI = Yea

**Don Landry:**

**Introduce Ordinance #18-572/Palmetto Village Annexation** = Don stated since he received the request he has received several calls about drainage in that area. He will be working with Mark on this. Mark requested that the council table this item for now. Therefore it was moved by Councilman Gary and second by Councilman Higginbotham to table Ordinance #18-572, to provide for the annexation of certain properties located in section 91, township 10 south, range 5 east, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, being known as the Palmetto Village, LLC Annexation. Roll call:

District I = Yea  
District II = Yea  
District III = Yea  
At Large = Yea  
District IV = Yea  
District V = Yea  
District VI = Yea

**Introduce Ordinance #18-573/Agreement with Cox Wireless Access for a contract franchise and city structure use** = Moved by Councilman Gary and second by Councilman Bonin to introduce Ordinance #18-573, authorizing the Mayor to sign an agreement with Cox Wireless Access, LLC for a Contract Franchise and City Structure Use. Roll call:

District I = Yea  
District II = Yea  
District III = Yea  
At Large = Yea  
District IV = Yea  
District V = Yea  
District VI = Yea

**Councilman Kenny Higginbotham:**

**Regarding \$300,000 requested for stadium seating @ St. Julien Sports Complex for Southside High School Football** = Higginbotham stated we had conversations with Jeremy Hidalgo for stadium seating at St, Julien Sports Complex. The school board has allocated \$400,000 toward this project; however we don't have any contract or an agreement yet. He would like to table this matter until we have that agreement. The Rec Committee will meet with the School Board about this and then it will be brought back up to the council. Therefore it was moved by Councilman Higginbotham and second by Councilman Bourque to table this matter regarding the request for \$300,000 to fund stadium seating at the St. Julien Sports Complex for Southside High School Football. Roll call:

District I = Yea  
District II = Yea  
District III = Yea  
At Large = Yea  
District IV = Yea  
District V = Yea  
District VI = Yea

**Mel Bertrand:**

**Adopt Resolution #549-18/On Call Patching** = Mel stated in the budget we approved \$150,000 for On –Call Patching. The rfp’s were as follows: Glenn Lege Construction \$140.00 per ton; Love’s Asphalt Solution, LLC \$175.00 per ton and T & T Asphalt, Inc for \$185.00 per ton. The low bid was Glenn Lege in the amount of \$140.00 per ton. Moved by Councilman Bonin and second by Councilwoman Batiste to adopt Resolution #549-18, a resolution of the city council of the City of Broussard, LA regarding the on-call roadway contract to award the project to the low bidder, Glenn Lege Construction, Inc at \$140.00 per ton and not to exceed the budgeted amount of \$150,000 and to authorize the Mayor and the administration to sign the necessary documents for said project.

Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II = Yea	District V = Yea
District III = Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

**Huval Sewer Extension Project (additional infrastructure Plans for Ambassador/Bernard) for future development** = Mel stated that we budgeted \$272,000 for the Huval Sewer Extension. Since then we have Derek Development come to us from the northeast corner. They are requesting sewer. The preliminary number is \$84,530. If we do it to specs the manholes will be big enough to pick up a ½ mile both ways. Blake Hampton approached the council. He is doing the development. They are also requesting water, because it will cost them more for the water. We will have to cross there or come from Albertson Parkway. We have water up to the intersection at Bernard and Ambassador. They need 8 inch to supply their development. Mel stated they will have to supply to the other development across from them. We do have a coulee bore to make. We already at Fezzo’s and went to Race Trac. Hampton stated they are looking at an additional \$86,000. Walter recommended we put a 12 inch line. Mel stated the plan was for a 12 inch and then they will loop it. Councilman Foco stated we normally ask the developer to pay his cost; but this is a no brainer; we have 2 developments coming here. Mel stated he can run the numbers and come back. Therefore it was moved by Councilman Bonin and second by Councilman Higginbotham to grant the approval for water and sewer assistance. Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II = Yea	District V = Yea
District III = Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

Mel will get the numbers to Don for budget an approval budget amendment ordinance. They would like sewer and a manhole which will take care of the north east side. Mr. Hampton stated it will about a 70 acre development around Ambassador and Bernard Road. Councilman Foco stated that is why we spent \$10,000,000 on building Ambassador Caffery, to bring businesses like this to Broussard.

**Councilman David Bonin:**

**Request to amend Ordinance #83/Grass Cutting regarding the allowable height of grass** = Councilman Bonin stated he has been receiving a lot of complaints about people not cutting their grass. He feels 2 feet is too high. Councilman Bonin questioned about the

properties on Ambassador that are tall that are not agriculture. He feels this should be for those areas too. Don stated we have to go according to what the assessor's has the property classified as. Therefore it was moved by Councilman Bonin and second by Councilman Gary to introduce Ordinance #18-575, amending Article II of Chapter 38, specifically Section 38.21 Weeds and Noxious Growths stated that all cleared property shall be maintained at a height not to exceed twelve inches.

Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II = Yea	District V = Yea
District III = Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

**Tina Emert:**

**Adopt Resolution #550-18/Requesting assistance for LGAP Grant =**

Moved by Councilman Bourque and second by Councilman Bonin to adopt Resolution #550-18, a resolution requesting financial assistance from the State of Louisiana under the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Local Government Assistance Program and Community Water Enrichment Fund Program. We will be using this to buy automated water meters. Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II = Yea	District V = Yea
District III = Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

**ADJOURN:**

**Adjournment** = Moved by Councilman Gary and second by Councilman Bonin to adjourn the meeting. Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II = Yea	District V = Yea
District III = Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

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s/Charles E. Langlinais, MAYOR

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s/Tina Emert, CITY CLERK