

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BROUSSARD, LA HELD ON
TUESDAY, JUNE 25TH, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M. AT
414 EAST MAIN STREET, COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

Present: Mayor Ray Bourque, Councilwoman Angel Racca (District 1),
Councilman David Bonin (District 2), Councilman Jesse Regan (District 3),
Councilman Michael Rabon (District 4), Councilman Ray Gary (District 6),
Councilman Jeff Delahoussaye (At Large)

Staff: Tina Emert (City Clerk), Karen Fontenot (CFO), Don Landry (City Attorney),
Mel Bertrand (City Manager/Director of Public Works), Annie Perret (Executive Asst.
to the Mayor), Walter Comeaux (City Engineer), Jeremy Hidalgo (COO), Holly Cope-
Lynn (Director of Tourism & Communications), Brannon Decou (Police Chief), Bryan
Champagne (Fire Chief)

Absent: Councilman Kenny Higginbotham (District 5),

1. OPENING

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Bourque

1.2 Prayer was led by Councilman Gary

2. MINUTES

2.1 Acceptance of Minutes of the June 11, 2019 Meeting

Motion by Councilman Regan

Second by Councilman Delahoussaye

to accept the minutes of the June 11, 2019 meeting.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
David Bonin
Jesse Regan
Michael Rabon
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

3. KAREN FONTENOT, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER:

3.1 Approval of May 2019 Financial Statement

Motion by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Bonin

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca

David Bonin

Jesse Regan

Michael Rabon

Ray Gary

Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

4. RESOLUTIONS

4.1 Adopt Resolution #582-19

A resolution accepting the East Fairfield/Billeaud Elementary Lift Station project as being substantially complete and authorizing the Mayor upon recommendation of the City Engineer, to make the necessary payments

Motion by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Rabon

Discussion: The final inspection on the project was on May 23, 2019. All things are knocked out but 1 light. He recommends the council declare it substantial complete.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca

David Bonin

Jesse Regan

Michael Rabon

Ray Gary

Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

4.2 Adopt Resolution #583-19

A resolution declaring certain items listed on "Exhibit A" and currently in the possession of the City of Broussard as salvage, and no longer useful to the City of Broussard and authorizing the disposition of said items by the administration of the City of Broussard. Exhibit A: 6" gate valve, 8 " pipe, 2.6 hp submersible pump, 7.5 hp submersible pump, 2" small submersible pump, 2 hp small pump motor, flapper

box, radiators, old street signs, F-250 step, 2" pipe, 2" angle iron, electrical panels, old shop air compressor and fire hydrant.

Motion by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Rabon

DISCUSSION: Mel stated that this is all scrap and not useable.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca

David Bonin

Jesse Regan

Michael Rabon

Ray Gary

Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

4.3 Adopt Resolution #584-19

A resolution adopting a salary schedule and pay plan for the employees of the City of Broussard Police Dept. effective July 1, 2019

Motion by Councilman Delahoussaye

Second by Councilman Regan

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca

David Bonin

Jesse Regan

Michael Rabon

Ray Gary

Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

5. ORDINANCES TO BE INTRODUCED

5.1 Introduce Ordinance #19-610

An ordinance introducing a salary schedule and pay plan for the employees of the City of Broussard Police Dept effective July 1, 2019

Motion by Councilman Delahoussaye

Second by Councilman Regan

DISCUSSION: Chief Decou stated that the scale is in every one's packet. Councilman Bonin questioned if other towns adopted this and does it work towards Civil Service? Chief Decou stated he feels that we are the last city to adopt this. This will help with Civil Service and for the years of longevity of his employees. Don stated that we did not re-invent anything. We reached out to the other cities and got their plans and ordinances and incorporated them into this.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
David Bonin
Jesse Regan
Michael Rabon
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

6. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

6.1 Adopt Ordinance #19-604

An ordinance adopting an Amended Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019

Motion by Councilman Delahoussaye

Second by Councilman Regan

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
David Bonin
Jesse Regan
Michael Rabon
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

6.2 Adopt Ordinance #19-605

An ordinance adopting an Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020

Motion by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Rabon

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
David Bonin
Jesse Regan
Michael Rabon
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

6.3 Adopt Ordinance #19-606

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor of the City to enter into and execute and amendment to the Wholesale Water Agreement with Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government to extend the Wholesale Water agreement with Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government for a term of forty (40) years from March 5, 1988

Motion by Councilman Rabon

Second by Councilman Delahoussaye

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
David Bonin
Jesse Regan
Michael Rabon
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

6.4 Adopt Ordinance #19-607

An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the Franchise Agreement with Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government, to extend the Franchise Agreement with Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government of December 19, 2015

Motion by Councilman Regan

Second by Councilman Delahoussaye

DISCUSSION: Councilman Bonin stated what if we adopt the Franchise Agreement and the city does not want to adopt the water agreement, what happens? He feels we should adopt the franchise agreement, contingent on them adopting the water agreement. Attorney Landry stated that we can do that, but he doesn't feel the negotiations were not at that point.

Councilman Regan amended his motion to add the following amendment, "the Franchise Agreement will be accepted contingent on Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government accepting the Wholesale Water Agreement.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
David Bonin
Jesse Regan
Michael Rabon
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

6.5 Adopt Ordinance #19-608

An ordinance approving Change Order #1 for the Deer Meadow Village Lift Station & Force Main Upgrade, amending the Operating Budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 to provide for an additional thirty two thousand three hundred forty nine and 28/100 dollars (\$32,359.28) for said plan change order #1 authorizing the Mayor of the City of Broussard to execute and documentation to implement plan change order #1

Motion by Councilman

Second by Councilman

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca

David Bonin

Jesse Regan

Michael Rabon

Ray Gary

Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Randy Viator

Variance request for the elevation of his proposed home to be built @ 1108-A Young Street, from 1 foot to 6 inches above the road

Councilman Ray Gary stated this is for Zachary Viator, son of Randy Viator.

Moved by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Rabon

DISCUSSION: Walter stated the property is not in a flood hazard area, but the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance requires the house to be built 1 foot higher than the roadway. Mr. Viator is asking for a 6-inch variance. Walter stated the property is not in a Flood Zone and he feels there will probably be more requests of this kind in the future. Mr. Viator stated that he has been there for awhile and there was never water that crossed the road even in the Flood of 2016. Mayor Bourque stated we do reserve variances for special cases. He feels this is a special case; but he would like Mr. Viator to also get with Don Landry and sign a hold harmless. Mr. Randy Viator stated that they did take shots from the flood of 2016 and he will be 3 feet higher. Mr. Zachary Viator had no problem with that.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca

David Bonin

Jesse Regan

Michael Rabon

Ray Gary

Jeff Delahoussaye
ABSENT: Kenny Higginbotham

8. ADJOURNMENT

8.1 Adjourn Meeting
Motion by Councilman Gary
Second by Councilman Rabon
To adjourn the meeting
Final Resolution: Motion Approved
YEAS: Angel Racca
David Bonin
Jesse Regan
Michael Rabon
Kenny Higginbotham
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye

Mayor Ray Bourque

Tina Emert, City Clerk