

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BROUSSARD, LA HELD ON
TUESDAY, August 25, 2020 AT 6:00 P.M.**

- Present:** Mayor Ray Bourque, Councilwoman Angel Racca (District 1), Councilman Jesse Regan (District 3), Councilman Michael Rabon (District 4), Councilman Kenny Higginbotham (District 5), Councilman Ray Gary (District 6) and Councilman Jeff Delahoussaye (At Large)
- Staff:** Tina Emert (City Clerk), Callie Laviolette (Executive Assistant), Karen Fontenot (CFO), Don Landry (City Attorney), Jeremy Hidalgo (COO) Mel Bertrand (City Manager), Walter Comeaux (City Engineer), Brannon Decou (Chief of Police), Justin Denais (Deputy Fire Chief)
- Absent:** Councilman David Bonin (District 2) and Holly Cope-Lynn (Director of Tourism and Communications)

1. OPENING

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Invocation

2. MINUTES

- 2.1 Acceptance of minutes of the August 11, 2020 regular meeting
 - Motion by Councilman Gary
 - Second by Councilman Delahoussaye
 - Discussion: No public comments
 - Final Resolution: Motion Approved
 - YEAS: Angel Racca
 - Jesse Regan
 - Michael Rabon
 - Kenny Higginbotham
 - Ray Gary
 - Jeff Delahoussaye
 - Absent: David Bonin

3. KAREN FONTENOT, FINANCIAL OFFICER

3.1 Approve the July 2020 Financial Report

Motion by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Delahoussaye

Discussion: Karen stated there will be no June 2020 Financial Report, that will in in the 2019/2020 Audit. In this report there are no reported Sales Taxes Revenues, because that goes in last fiscal year, being it is what was collected for June. The good news is the Sales Tax is up by \$47,000. It is the highest that it has been all year. Possibly in the future we will be able to amend the budget to get projects done.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
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Absent: David Bonin

4. OTHER BUSINESS

4.1 Daniel Landry

Candidate for District Attorney

Mr. Landry gave a brief history about himself. He is a life-long resident of Lafayette and has been married to Nancy Landry for 38 years. He has 3 children and 2 grandchildren. He has served with the District Attorney's Office under the past DA's, Nathan Stansbury, Mike Harson and Keith Stutes. He has learned what works and what does not work. He will make sure the Rules of Law is enforced in Lafayette in District Court. He will have an open-door policy. He thanked the Mayor and Council for their time.

4.2 Nathan Broussard

Candidate for City Marshall

Mr. Broussard was unable to make the meeting tonight and will be rescheduled for the next meeting.

5. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

5.1 Introduce Ordinance #20-657

Amending the Chapter 50, Signs, Section 50-4, (13) e, Political and Campaign Signs

Motion by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Rabon

Discussion: Mayor Bourque stated a few months ago we granted a variance to this ordinance pertaining to when political signs can be put, due to the COVID Pandemic restraints. At that time, some members of the council recommended we modify the ordinance to the date of qualifying instead of 60 days before the election.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
 Jesse Regan
 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham
 Ray Gary
 Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: David Bonin

5.2 Introduce Ordinance #20-658

An ordinance of the Broussard City Council annexing property located on and along the southern side of Bayou Tortue Road in Section 93, T-10-S, R-5-E, Lafayette Parish Louisiana being known as the Douglas and Willa Dean Chesson Family Annexation located at 414-430 Bayou Tortue Road in City of Broussard Voting District 5

Motion by Councilman Higginbotham

Second by Councilman Gary

Discussion: Daniel Hutchinson stated we received the necessary approval from the Assessor's Office to proceed with the introduction of this ordinance.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
 Jesse Regan
 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham
 Ray Gary
 Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: David Bonin

6. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

6.1 Adopt Ordinance #20-655

An ordinance of the city council amending the Zoning Ordinance by adding the following maps:

Map E-5, Portions of Garber Road

Map E-6, Portions of Garber Road

Map F-5, Portions of Garber Road

Map F-6, Portions of Garber Road

Map G-5, Portions of Garber Road

Map G-6, Portions of Garber Road, Bayou Tortue Road, Cypress Ridge Road, Olde Oak Drive and Farmhouse Road

Map G-10, Portions of LA Hwy 96, Moulin Road, St. Etienne Road, E Main Street and US Hwy 90 East

Moved by Councilman Regan

Second by Councilman Delahoussaye

Discussion: Don stated this was presented to the Zoning Commission and there were no objections to this.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
 Jesse Regan
 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham
 Ray Gary
 Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: David Bonin

6.2 Adopt Ordinance #20-656

An ordinance amending Chapter 62, taxation and finance of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Broussard, LA to add article 62-105 and ending with 62-120, to regulate filming and to provide for filming permits

Moved by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Rabon

Discussion: Don stated this ordinance was previously introduced and advertised for adoption. We received no comments on it. It is modeled after an existing ordinance. This may encourage movies companies to come here. Mayor Bourque and Chief Decou are both comfortable with this ordinance.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
 Jesse Regan
 Michael Rabon

Kenny Higginbotham
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye
ABSENT: David Bonin

7. ADJOURNMENT

7.1 Motion to adjourn meeting
Motion by Councilman Delahoussaye
Second by Councilman Regan
To adjourn the meeting
Final Resolution: Motion Approved
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Jesse Regan
Michael Rabon
Kenny Higginbotham
Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye
ABSENT: David Bonin



Mayor Ray Bourque



Tina Emert, City Clerk