

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BROUSSARD, LA

On Tuesday, April 23, 2024

At 6:00p.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 David Forbes, (District 5), Councilman Kody Allen, (District 6). Councilman Jeff Delahoussaye (At Large)

Staff: Callie Laviolette (Chief Administrative Officer), Susie Richard (Executive Assistant to the Mayor), Mel Bertrand (City Manager/Director of Public Works), Mark Rigsby (Communications Coordinator), Millicent Norbert (Director of Tourism), Oscar Reed (Attorney at Law), Jamison Abshire (Director of Parks and Recreation), Chief Vance Olivier (Police Chief), Tony Ashy (Assistant Police Chief), Bryan Champagne (Fire Chief), Sarah Hebert, (Permitting/Licensing Administrator), Gwen Broussard, (Permitting and Licensing Clerk).

Absent: Tina Emert (City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services). Cristen Thibodeaux (Finance Manager), Councilwoman Heather Girouard (District 4)

1. OPENING

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Invocation done by Pastor Adam Whitney w/First Baptist Church of Broussard

2. Minutes

- 2.1 Acceptance of Minutes of the April 9, 2024, Regular Meeting.
Motion by Councilman Jesse Regan
Second by Councilman Jeff Delahoussaye
Discussion: No public comments
Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: District 1- Angel Racca
 District 2- David Bonin
 District 3- Jesse Regan
 District 5 - David Forbes
 District 6- Kody Allen
 At Large- Jeff Delahoussaye

ABSENT: District 4- Heather Girouard

3. OTHER BUSINESS

- 3.1 Charles Sharma w/ Krew de Acadian
Donation to the Broussard Fire Department from proceeds of the Hamburger Cook-Off.
Charles Sharma presented Fire Chief Bryan Champagne with a check of \$650.00 from the proceeds from the Hamburger cook-off. Charles stated that they were able to donate to Milton, Youngsville, and Broussard Fire Departments. They teamed up with Krewe La Vie Doux. The City Council Members thanked Charles for this donation.

3.2 Lacey Baccus
Retail Strategies Presentation

Lacey presented her company to the City Council on the strategies used to represent/sell the city to developers to bring new businesses to Broussard.

Ryan Lagrange on Behalf of Mandi Mitchell with LEDA Supporting Retail Strategies

Toby Armentor representing Broussard Economic Development- BEDC

Supporting Retail Strategies – Lets take the initiative and move forward.

John H Broussard and Jennifer Whitmore and Michael Pritchard Supporting Retail Strategies but did not wish to address the Council.

Mayor Ray Bourque – Thank you for your presentation.

Councilman Jesse Regan – Will this be an annual subscription? Will you communicate with the city?

Lacey Baccus - Yes, with the point of contact person, via phone and email.

4. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

4.1 Ordinance #24-797

An Ordinance amending the 2023/024 Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for \$45,000.00 to engage into a contract with Retail Strategies for one year.

Motion by Councilman David Bonin

Second by Councilman David Forbes

Discussion:

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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	At Large-	Jeff Delahoussaye
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5. ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION

5.1 Ordinance #24-795

An ordinance amending the 2023/2024 Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for \$20,000.00 to model current and future water wells by Water Well Consultant, GHD

Motion by Councilman Jesse Regan

Second by Councilman Kody Allen

Discussion:

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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ABSENT At Large- Jeff Delahoussaye
 District 4- Heather Girouard

5.2 Ordinance # 24-796

An ordinance amending the 2023/2024 Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for \$62,500 for the Fire Department funding (\$50,000 for equipment for the new tanker and \$12,500 for the new radios/paid for out of St. Martin Funds for the new radios only)

Motion by Councilman David Bonin

Second by Councilman David Forbes

Discussion

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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6. ADJOURNMENT

6.1 Adjourn Meeting



MAYOR RAY BOURQUE



SARAH HEBERT, PERMIT/LICENSE CLERK