

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BROUSSARD, LA HELD ON
TUESDAY, June 8, 2021, AT 6:00 P.M.**

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 Kenny Higginbotham (District 5) and Councilman Ray Gary (District 6), Councilman Jeff Delahoussaye (At Large)

Staff: Tina Emert (City Clerk), Callie Laviolette (Executive Assistant), Karen Fontenot (CFO), Gerald de Launay (City Attorney), Holly Cope-Lynn (Director of Tourism and Communications), Andrea Fontenot (Community & Business Development Coordinator), Mel Bertrand (City Manager), Daniel Hutchingson (City Engineer), Capt. Zac Gerard (Police Dept), Rhonda Williams (Administrative Secretary Police) and Chief Bryan Champagne (Fire Chief)

1. OPENING

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance

1.2 Invocation

2. MINUTES

2.1 Acceptance of Minutes of the May 25, 2021 Regular Meeting

Motion by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Delahoussaye

Discussion: No public comments.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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

3. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

3.1 Ordinance #21-697

An ordinance of provide for the annexation of certain properties located in Section 20 & 60, Township 10 South. Range 5 East, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, being known as the Burton Michael Keating and Elizabeth Keating Mason annexation on West Pinhook Road in District I

Moved by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Bonin

Discussion: Mayor Bourque stated this property is located right past the intersection of Main Street and Bernard Road.. Gerald stated everything is ready to move forward with this annexation.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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

4. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

4.1 Ordinance #21-694

An ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance by adding the following maps:

H12 – Portions of Old Spanish Trail (LA Highway 182)

H13 – Portions of Old Spanish Trail (LA Hwy 182) and Lake Talon Road

G14 – Portions of Louis Records Road and Lake Talon Road

G15 – Portions of Louis Records Road and Smede Highway (LA Hwy 182)

E3 -- Garber Road Area

E4 -- Garber Road Area

Moved by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Regan

Discussion: Gerald stated there were no objections or comments when this was presented to the Zoning Commission.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
 David Bonin
 Jesse Regan
 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham

Ray Gary
Jeff Delahoussaye

4.2 Ordinance #21-695

An ordinance amending the 2020/2021 Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for \$329,370.00 for the Fairfield Marteau Road Intersection Project at Martial Billeaud Elementary

Moved by Councilman Higginbotham

Second by Councilman Rabon

Discussion: Mayor Bourque stated this will allow us to do the turn lanes at this intersection. We want to get this project done before the beginning of the new school year in August.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
 David Bonin
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 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham
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 Jeff Delahoussaye

4.3 Ordinance #21--696

An ordinance amending the zoning ordinance by adding the following maps to change the zoning from Light Industrial to Single Family Residential

Map F-12 Portion of Marteau Road and East Fairfield Drive

Map F-13 Portions of Marteau Road and East Fairfield Drive

Moved by Councilman Regan

Second by Councilman Higginbotham

Discussion: Steve Hebert with the Billeaud Companies stated this zoning amendment will allow them to build a residential subdivision that is planned for this area. The zoning needed to be change in order for them to move forward with this subdivision. He is asking the council to support this ordinance.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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

5. OTHER BUSINESS

5.1 Parish Proud & Matt Stuller

Adopt proclamation supporting Parish Proud

Mayor Bourque welcomed Matt Stuller and Brianne Hendrix to the meeting tonight. Mayor Bourque read aloud the proclamation which brings Parish Proud and the City of Broussard together recognizing the need and benefits of litter-free, beautiful public and private spaces. Along with the City, Parish Proud will provide street signs to promote cleaner habits not only from the citizenry, but also for those who travel throughout the community. Broussard is the first city in the Parish to team up with Parish Proud and introduce the Broussard Proud initiative. This weekend the Kiwanis of Broussard will team up to clean the city. If anyone is interested in participating, please contact Holly or Andrea at City Hall. Mr. Stuller stated he is honored that we are doing this. It is with great honor and full support of the Mayor and Council that Parish Proud brings the beautify of this community, which he is proud to call his home.

5.2 Mr. Chris Leger w/Manuel Builders

Request variance for side setback off of Dairy Lane

Moved by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Delahoussaye

to grant the side setback variance for 104 Dairy Lane, subject to the condition, the owner Manuel Commercial Construction remains the owner of both lots; shall either lot be sold, the variance will expire.

Discussion: Mr. Leger stated this variance will allow them to install a dust collection system into the existing setback. They will be expanding in the future on both lots. Councilwoman Racca questioned Mr. deLaunay if he needs a variance if they own both lots? Mr. deLaunay stated yes because the lots are platted separately.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
 David Bonin
 Jesse Regan
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5.3 Recognition – Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year

James Bell, 2020 Officer of the Year and Chris Richard 2021 Officer of the Year

Mayor Bourque stated tonight we will recognize 2 officers who were awarded the 2020 and 2021 Crime Stopper Officers of the Year. Mayor Bourque recognized Officer James Bell as the 2020 Crime Stoppers Officer of the year. Mr. Bell has been employed with the City of Broussard since 2019. He is the Support Officer at St. Julien Park.

Mayor Bourque then recognized Officer Chris Richard as the 2021 Crime Stoppers Officer of the Year. He has been employed with the City of Broussard since 2018 in the Patrol Division. He has made numerous arrests.

5.4 EMPLOYEE BLOOD DRIVE FOR FIREFIGHTER ALEX BOURQUE

Mayor Bourque stated on behalf of the City of Broussard, the Fire Department and Our Lady of Lourdes he would like to inform everyone about a blood drive for one of our own. Alex Bourque is a firefighter with the Broussard Fire Department. Alex has been diagnosed with Bone Cancer. Alex is married with one child and another on the way. The blood drive will take place at City Hall on Monday, June 14th from 3:00 p.m. – 8:00 pm. Anyone who would like to donate and is unable to attend that day; please go to Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital and donate in Alex's name. Mayor Bourque asked everyone to please keep Alex in their prayers. Please help us help him.

6. ADJOURNMENT

6.1 Adjourn Meeting



MAYOR RAY BOURQUE



TINA EMERT, CITY CLERK