

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BROUSSARD, LA HELD ON
TUESDAY, June 22, 2021, 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 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), Walter Comeaux (City Engineer), Chief Vance Olivier (Police Chief) 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 June 1, 2021, Special Meeting, the June 7, 2021, Special Meeting and the June 8, 2021, Regular Meeting
Motion by Councilman Gary
Second by Councilman Higginbotham
Discussion: No public comments
Final Resolution: Motion Approved
YEAS: Angel Racca
 David Bonin
 Jesse Regan
 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham
 Ray Gary
 Jeff Delahoussaye

3. RESOLUTIONS

3.1 Resoluion #670-21

A resolution adopting the 2021 Parish Mitigation Plan

Motion by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Rabon

Discussion: Mel Bertrand stated the Parish Mitigation Plan is submitted by the Parish. It is a pretty sensitive questionnaire. The purpose of the plan is to assess critical points and assets for natural disasters, so everyone is onboard on where to go and what to do. Mayor Bourque stated this is tied into the LCG Grant for generators. LCG has helped us in the past with fires and hurricanes and providing water. Councilwoman Racca questioned; how often do we update this; is it every 5 years? Mel stated we do it more often than that to make sure everything is updated more frequently.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
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4. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

4.1 Ordinance #21-692

An ordinance amending the Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2020 and ending June 30, 2021

Motion by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Regan

Discussion: No public comments.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
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4.2 Ordinance #21-693

An ordinance proposing an Operating Budget of Revenues and Expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022

Motion by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Gary

Discussion: Councilman Gary would like to include the Mayor and the Chief of Police for the 3% Merit Increases in the budget. Therefore, it was

Motioned by Councilman Gary

Second by Councilman Bonin

to also include the 3% merit increase for the Mayor and Chief of Police in the 2021/2022 proposed budget.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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4.3 Ordinance #21-697

An ordinance to 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 1

Motion by Councilman Bonin

Second by Councilman Regan

Discussion: Mr. deLaunay stated all of the petitions and certificates are in order.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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

5. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

5.1 Ordinance #21-698

A Third Supplemental Ordinance authorizing the issuance and delivery of [Thirteen Million Seven Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$13,715,000) of Taxable Recreational Facility Sales Tax Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2021, of the City of Broussard, State of Louisiana, in accordance with the terms of the General Bond Ordinance adopted on November 13, 2012; prescribing the form, fixing the details, and providing for the payment of principal of and interest on such Bonds; and providing for other matters in connection therewith

Motion by Councilman Higginbotham

Second by Councilwoman Racca

Discussion: Brennan Black with Foley and Judell approached the council. Mr. Black stated this process was started one year ago. This is the 2012 Construction Bonds for the park. The bonds sold today at \$13,617,000. The savings is 1.4 million over the life of the bond, which is equivalent to about \$70,000 per year. This is the last step in the process. Karen stated this is a bigger savings than we originally projected. Mr. Black also stated that our S & P Rating was an A- Stable Rating, which is very good.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
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 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham
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6. ADJOURNMENT

6.1 Adjourn Meeting



Mayor Ray Bourque



Tina Emert, City Clerk