

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BROUSSARD, LA HELD ON
TUESDAY, July 28, 2020 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), 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), Holly Cope-Lynn (Director of Tourism and Communications), Daniel Hutchinson (City Engineer), Brannon Decou (Chief of Police), Bryan Champagne (Fire Chief)

1. OPENING

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Invocation

2. MINUTES

- 2.1 Acceptance of minutes of the July 14, 2020 regular meeting
Motion by Councilman Ray Gary
Second by Councilman Jeff Delahoussaye
To accept the minutes of the July 14, 2020 Regular Meeting.
Final Resolution: Motion Approved
YEAS: Angel Racca
 David Bonin
 Jesse Regan
 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham
 Ray Gary
 Jeff Delahoussaye

3. OTHER BUSINESS

3.1 Kay Gautreaux

Candidate for 15th Judicial District Judge Division K

Mrs. Gautreaux addressed the council. She gave a brief history about herself. She is seeking the seat of Judge Michot who is retiring. In the past she has worked in Division K under Judge Benny Gautreaux. She is currently in court 3 days a week handling the problems of the people she hopes to serve in the future. She has always been in public service. She was born in Lafayette and is married to Mitch Gautreaux and has 2 children. She thanked the council for their time.

3.1 Chief Champagne

Report on Acadian Ambulance Improved Response Times

Chief Champagne stated the contract with Acadian Ambulance was signed in December and went into effect in February 2020. The response time have improved. Chief Champagne stated he went back several months, and the times are as follows: Sept. 9.59, Oct. 9.50, Nov. 9.28, Dec. 8.54, Jan. 8.34, Feb. 9.09 (contract went into effect), March 7.16, April 7.29, May 7.56 and June 8.16. He feels this was the right decision on the city's part. Mayor Bourque stated the average decrease is 1 – 1 ½ minutes. This is a success story for the citizens. He also feels this was a good move. He knows this is a good partnership with Acadian Ambulance.

4. RESOLUTIONS

4.1 Adopt Resolution #638-20

A resolution approving change order #2 in the amount of \$225,262.30 for South Bernard/Fairfield Road Extension Phase II

Moved by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Bonin

Discussion: Daniel Hutchinson stated this is for the intersection improvements for South Bernard and Main Street. This was not in the contract. This is for 3,000 feet covering 3 lanes of traffic. It is only a change order and not a budget amendment, because it is already in the budget. Mayor Bourque stated there are 3 projects that this will tie into this project which are, 1) the current Bernard Road, Main Street to Albertson Parkway, 2) Main Street to Highway 90 will pick up the beginning of this project and 3) the Downtown Development Phase I. This includes the traffic signal.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: Angel Racca
 David Bonin
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 Michael Rabon
 Kenny Higginbotham
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5. ORDINANCES FOR INTRODUCTION

5.1 Introduce Ordinance #20-653

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

Map G-11, Portions of LA Hwy 182, LA Hwy 96 and Lantana Court.

Map H-9, Portions of Lafferty Drive, Bayou Tortue Road and LA Hwy 96.

Map H-10, Portions of LA Hwy 96, Lantana Court and Beau Clos Lane.

Map H-11, Portions of LA Hwy 96, Lantana Court, Beau Clos Lane, Terrance Oaks Lane and LA Hwy 96.

Map I-8, Portions of Bayou Tortue Road and

Map I-9, Portions of Bayou Tortue Road

Moved by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Higginbotham

Discussion: Councilman Bonin questioned how far do these waterlines extend in this area? Mel stated they have water at Bayou Tortue Road and then they go down to LaFlamme Road. Councilman Bonin questioned, if this will affect the fire rating? Chief Champagne state no it will not because it is so spread out and not populated. Mayor Bourque clarified that this item is a zoning approval not an annexation.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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

6. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

6.1 Adopt Ordinance #20-650

An ordinance of the City of Broussard annexing certain properties located in sections 40 & 68, Township 10 South, Range 5 East, Lafayette Parish, LA known as the City of Broussard—West Pinhook Road Annexation in District 2

Moved by Councilman Bonin

Second by Councilman Rabon

Discussion: Mayor Bourque stated this is the 4-acre tract of land that is owned by the city. The city needs this to build this intersection first.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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

6.2 Adopt Ordinance #20-651

An ordinance of the City of Broussard annexing certain properties located in sections 60, 29 & 208, township 10 south, range 5 east, Lafayette Parish, LA known as the City of Broussard—South Bernard Road Annexation in District 1

Moved by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Bonin

Discussion: Mayor Bourque stated this is similar to the land we own in the annexation that was just adopted; however, this property is on the opposite side.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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

6.3 Adopt Ordinance #20-652

An ordinance of the City of Broussard authorizing the Mayor to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Parish of Lafayette for the Operation and Maintenance of Arceneaux Park

Moved by Councilman Delahoussaye

Second by Councilman Gary

Discussion: Councilman Regan commended the Mayor, Administration, and the Council for getting this done. This was one of the items on the wish list when

they took office. He played in this park and his kids played in this park. It really feels good to bring this park back home.

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

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

7. ADJOURNMENT

- 7.1 Motion to adjourn meeting
 Motion by Councilman
 Second by Councilman
 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