

Minutes Of The

August 9, 2005

Broussard City Council Meeting

Present: Mayor Charles Langlinais
 Tina G. Denais, City Clerk
 Councilman Terry Guilbeau, District I
 Councilman David Bonin, District II
 Councilman Keith Rousseau, District III
 Councilman Harold Johnson, District IV
 Councilman Kenny Higginbotham, District V
 Councilman Albert Romero, District VI
 Councilman Johnnie Foco, At Large
 Jerry Grooms, City Engineer
 Al Reaux, City Engineer
 Oscar Reed, Attorney At Law
 Gene Chiarulli, City Auditor
 Walter Comeaux, Engineer
 Brannon Decou, Chief of Police
 Johnny Cunningham, Bonding Attorney
 Charlie Sides, Bonding Attorney

Mayor Langlinais called the meeting to order and Tina lead with the Pledge of Allegiance and a silent prayer was said for the troops in Iraq and for Ms. ZeZe Hollier

Adopt minutes of the July 26, 2005 Regular City Council Meeting = Moved by Councilman Rousseau and second by Councilman Romero to adopt the minutes of the July 26, 2005 Regular City Council Meeting. Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II= Yea	District V = Yea
District III= Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval of bills for the Broussard Environmental Enhancement Sewage District = Moved by Councilman Johnson and second by Councilman Romero to approve the following bills be paid for the Broussard Environmental Enhancement Sewage District Board: M. J. Broussard Incorporated for \$9,240.00 and The LaBorde Law Firm, L.L.C. for \$700.50 for a total amount of \$9,940.50. Roll call:

District I = Yea
District II= Yea
District III= Yea
At Large = Yea

District IV = Yea
District V = Yea
District VI = Yea

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Crime Night Out = Councilman Rousseau complimented Chief Decou on the good turn out they had for National Night Out. Chief Decou stated they really had good show.

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Jerry's Report:

New Sewage Pond =Jerry stated that all he needs is for the Mayor to sign the contract for the sewage main for the new pond. The next phase will have to be put out for bid will be for mechanical equipment. Councilman Rousseau questioned if we have a figure on that? Jerry stated no.

Walter's Report:

Walter stated that he had nothing to report on.

Al's Report:

Al stated that he didn't have anything to report on.

Councilman Higginbotham questioned where are we on the storm water retention ordinance? Mayor Langlinais stated some changes were being made and it should be ready next month for introduction.

AUDITOR'S REPORT:

Gene stated he also didn't have anything to report on.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Attorney Landry was not present.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Chief Lopez was also not present.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

District I/Councilman Guilbeau:

Garbage Complaints = Councilman Guilbeau questioned if anyone is having any complaints in reference to the garbage? Councilman Johnson stated they move from one neighborhood to the other if reference to the times. Councilman Guilbeau stated he thinks the starting time in the contract is 6:00 a.m. Councilman Foco stated they passed by his house around 5:30 a.m. Councilman Guilbeau stated he had a complaint about a trash can continuously being knocked over, but he knows that is being caused by raccoons. Mayor Langlinais asked Tina to get Waste Management to send out a mail-out on the schedule of the pickup.

District II/Councilman Rousseau:

Storm Water Retention = Councilman Rousseau stated that the Storm Water Retention Committee met last Friday. They made a few changes to the original ordinance. They will meet again before it is introduced. Councilman Rousseau stated the committee will meet again and get Attorney Landry in on this meeting. Mayor Langlinais stated he will schedule the meeting.

At Large/Councilman Foco:

Intersection of Morgan and Fairfield= Councilman Foco stated he met with Walter and came up with some possible turn lanes at this intersection, because of the fence situation. He feels now is the time to get it straight. Walter stated they go before the planning commission Thursday on the next phase and he doesn't see why the developers will have a problem with this. Walter stated they should look at the entire section, once the road is there. Councilman Rousseau stated we might even be looking at more stop signs there, because of the traffic that will be there. Walter gave the council a copy of the plan he will present with a round about being installed. Walter stated he would be willing to design one for that area and it could be good. He knows some people won't like it. Councilman Rousseau stated something needs to be done for the traffic in that area. He feels they work well. Mayor Langlinais questioned, if there is enough space to put a round about before future development is done? Walter stated yes. Mayor Langlinais asked him to do a design and then a mail-out will be sent to the citizens in that area about there feelings on this. Walter stated they did talk about a round about and he feels the developers won't have a problem with this. Mayor Langlinais stated we could do a mail-out probably in mid August. He was concerned about the sugarcane farmers getting thru it. Mayor Langlinais stated probably in 2 years there won't be any sugarcane farmers farming around there. Councilman Rousseau stated he feels the public response will be good.

District V/Councilman Higginbotham:

Road Use Agreement @ the Sewage Pond = Councilman Higginbotham questioned Mr. Reed about the agreement for the road use at the old sewage pond that was discussed at the last meeting? Mr. Reed stated they did agree to whatever we were asking, so that has been finalized.

Mayor Langlinais:

LMA Convention = Mayor Langlinais stated that the LMA Convention starts Thursday in Shreveport and he suggested the council attend.

NEW BUSINESS.....continued:

Adopt Ordinance # 05-288/Authorizing the issuance of \$7,200,000 (Seven Million Two Hundred Thousand) of Public Improvement Sales Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds = Mr. Johnny Cunningham and Mr. Charlie Sides addressed the council. Mr. Cunningham stated we started this process 6 weeks ago. They had a few timing issues with the bond commission. We have an ordinance tonight to adopt in reference to this matter. Sides stated that we went to market today for the bonds. We took the 96 and 97 bonds with an average with 4.4% interest to re-finance also. This is a cash flow savings will be approximately \$530,000 on the refinance part. We got a 3.7% savings by re-financing. It is a very successful sale. Chiarulli questioned about the amount for 6.65 million amount of the bond instead of the original 7.2 million. Sides stated that is because of the excess revenue in the reserve fund. Councilman Foco questioned if the council can buy the bonds? Oscar stated it could be a conflict of interest. Cunningham stated the prices are set and he would recommend against it. Cunningham stated that now the ordinance needs to be adopted and Mayor will sign bond purchase agreement. The signed agreement will be done on August 29th and the bonds will be delivered to bond purchaser on August 31, 2005.

Therefore it was moved by Councilman Rousseau and second by Councilman Higginbotham to adopt Ordinance #05-288, which authorizes the issuance of issuance of Six Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$6,650,000) of Public Improvement Sales Tax Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2005, for the purpose of refunding certain outstanding bonds of the City of Broussard, State of Louisiana and providing financing for sewer improvements and other matters with respect therein; prescribing for the terms and conditions of such bonds and providing for the payment thereof; authorizing and agreement with the Paying Agent; and providing for other matters in connection therewith. Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II = Yea	District V = Yea
District III = Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

Mayor Langlinais stated that Mel reported to him that the new area at the pond has been finished cleared. And we just need to see about the board road area.

ADJOURN:

Adjourn the meeting = Moved by Councilman Johnson and second by Councilman Bonin to adjourn the meeting. Roll call:

District I = Yea	District IV = Yea
District II = Yea	District V = Yea
District III = Yea	District VI = Yea
At Large = Yea	

S/Charles E. Langlinais, MAYOR

S/Tina G. Denais, City Clerk