

**Sidewalk to the Park** = Councilman Higginbotham stated that JMI and Alltec are in favor of the sidewalk but they are worried about the sidewalk will impede on the drainage. Larry stated the sidewalk will be level to the ground so it definitely will not affect the drainage.

**At Large/Councilman Foco:**

**4th of July Firework Display** = Councilman Foco stated he was disappointed with the weather for the show, but that is something we cannot control. He thanked the police and fire department for their help. Mayor Langlinais stated the display was \$30,000 and we had \$5,000 in donations from the community and \$10,000 from a private source and the rest was paid from by Broussard Economic Development.

**ADJOURN:**

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

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

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

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**S/Charles E. Langlinais, MAYOR**

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**S/Tina G. Denais, CITY CLERK**

Attorney Landry stated that he nothing to report on.

**FIRE DEPARTMENT:**

**Fireworks for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July** = Chief Lopes stated that the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks display went real well, except for the weather. Mayor Langlinais stated that we need to find a new location for next year's show. Councilman Foco offered to use his property on Moulin Road. Chief Decou stated perhaps shooting off of St. Nazairre Road adjacent to where the Crowley's live.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:**

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks** = Chief Decou stated that fireworks show went off well. We had a lot of people and traffic gridlock for about 30 minutes but everything went well. Councilman Foco stated he still supports the 4<sup>th</sup> of July over Mardi Gras parade.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:**

**Talbert Ottinger/AFLAND Development** = Mr. Ottinger stated that AFLAND Development just purchased property on Highway 89 and Albertson Parkway for development. They will be bringing this development forward to the city input. They are real big into smart growth. The first phase will be 92 residential lots. Future development will have more with commercial phases also. It will be a very nice development. The council welcomed his development to Broussard.

**Steve Wright/Representative of Central Control, developers of Camelot** = Mr. Wright stated that Camelot Village should be completed in a month and a half. They are proposing to build a Phase II, which will independent living for the elderly retirement community. It will be very secure and it will also be the first of its kind in Louisiana. It will be a 30 – 40 million dollar addition. He gave the council a copy of what it will look like. The idea is to keep elderly people going out and keep them entertained. It is the wave of the future. He is hoping to have access to Ambassador Caffery on the back side whenever it comes thru. Councilman Rousseau questioned the time frame in starting the project? Mr. Wright stated they are waiting for the property deal to go thru and do the temporary entrance to Albertson Parkway. Larry stated all of our services are on Albertson Parkway not on the back side. Mr. Wright stated this development was originally planned for Lafayette, but they moved the development because of problems they had there.

**District III/Councilman Rousseau:**

**4<sup>th</sup> of July Firework** = Councilman Rousseau commended the Police Department for the firework display.

**District V/Councilman Higginbotham:**

the block that is 29 feet and another one is 22 feet from the set-backs. Mayor Langlinais stated if this is on a curb, there is not future potential use for widening. Councilman Rousseau stated if we are talking about inspectors inspecting, then why we don't have them provide us that before we provide them the permit. Reaux stated because that has to be surveyed after all the forming is done and he is getting reading to pour. Councilman Foco stated that he can't ask the guy to tear his house down and Councilman Rousseau stated there is always room for errors, but he does urge the council to get Mr. Landry to amend the ordinance as soon as possible. Councilman Johnson stated he can't ask the man to tear down his house, because he is not on utility easement. Therefore it was moved by Councilman Rousseau and second by Councilman Higginbotham to approve the variance for Mr. Romero for 208 Ambergis Lane, Lot #26 from a 20 foot front set-back to a 12.22 foot set-back. Roll call:

District I = Yea

District IV = Yea

District II = Yea

District V = Yea

District III = Yea

District VI = Yea

At Large = Yea

Attorney Landry stated in reference to the certified site plan; the ordinance does not have to amend the ordinance to put that into effect. Therefore the council agreed effective tomorrow July 12, 2006 all future developments must present a certified site-plan to the permitting office prior to receiving an approval for pouring of their slabs. Councilman Foco questioned if anyone had any comments? Mark Ste. Marie stated that he is out there with a tape measure measuring his sites when he is out there. He doesn't feel that all builders that come build in Broussard should have to get a survey. Councilman Foco stated then let's vote on no more variances. Councilman Higginbotham stated the more we grow, the more problems we are running into. The council agreed effective tomorrow all future developments must present a certified site-plan to the permitting office prior to receiving an approval for pouring of their slabs.

## **ENGINEER'S REPORT:**

### **Jerry's Report:**

**Lift Stations** = Jerry stated they are working on the plans for Regal Drive lift station renovations. Mayor Langlinais stated we are getting ready to bid out pumps for the lift stations.

### **Al's Report:**

**Wal-Mart** = Al stated that they are still waiting for things to fall into place for Wal-Mart for the force main for sewer. Mayor Langlinais stated in reference to the force main on North Eola, we got jammed up with the property owners. Hopefully we will get squared away by the end of the week.

## **AUDITOR'S REPORT:**

Gene stated that he had nothing to report on.

## **ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Councilman Bonin questioned in the event that there is an incident at a club; will the club close till the hearing? Attorney Landry stated no, we didn't seek to put that in the ordinance. Councilman Bonin stated he was approached by several owners about their businesses' being hurt by third parties. Attorney Landry stated that there is a provision that provides for a hearing.

Moved by Councilman Rousseau and second by Councilman Johnson to adopt Ordinance #06-295A, which amends Ordinance #06-295, which provides for the revocations and/or suspension of permits issued to businesses who are engaged in the manufacturing, blending, distilling, processing, importing, storing, using or selling of alcoholic beverages. Roll call:

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

**Adopt Ordinance #06-299/Garber Road—Paul Cummings Annexation** = Jerry stated we don't have the certificates yet; therefore this ordinance needs to be tabled tonight. Moved by Councilman Rousseau and second by Councilman Higginbotham to table Ordinance #06-299, which provides for the annexation of certain property located in sections 55 and 97, township 10 south, range 5 east, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, being known as the Garber Road/Paul Cummings Annexation. Roll call:

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

**Carl Romero re: request for variance at 208 Ambergis Lane, Lot 26 of Island Oaks Subdivision** = Mr. Romero addressed the council. Mr. Romero stated that the house was a little over seven feet encroaching on the easement. This plat shows the property lines. The minimum set back is 20 feet and they are 12.22 feet. The closest point to the utility easement is 12.75 feet. The house is framed and blacked in. They are not encroaching on the utility easement. Mayor Langlinais stated that he feels the council will be looking at set-back issues more cautiously in the future. This does cause a problem when we have to clean ditches. Romero stated they will do a pre-slab certification on all future development. Attorney Landry stated we might want to look at ordinances providing variances, where it should cost the builder some money. Councilman Foco stated he is in violation of the setback. The property line is in, but he is in violation from the street. Attorney Landry stated he knows the concern of the council. It is not the home-owner; it is the contractor who is building who needs to be set responsible. Mayor Langlinais additional stated we might want to make them give us a certified pre-site plan when they come get a permit. Mayor Langlinais stated we need to amend the ordinance to request that from the contractors in the future. Councilman Foco stated the site plan he had showed the sidewalk was in and when they built it they moved the sidewalk on the outside. Attorney Landry stated we might not need an ordinance. There certified surveyor will inspect it and he will be liable for anything. Attorney Landry stated it will end up moving the cost up. Romero stated the site-plan tells them where the house is suppose to be, but the certified site-plan tells where the home is definitely is. Councilman Foco stated there is one house down

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

District V = Yea  
 District VI = Yea

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Mr. Bennett Bernard and Mr. Lee Verret re: Search for property for the East Regional Library for the Broussard/Youngsville area** = Mr. Verret addressed the council. He reminded everyone about the library tax renewal which is on the ballot this week. He asked everyone to please go out and vote yes. He stated in 2002 the citizens of Lafayette Parish voted for a bond issue for new libraries and to renovate the library downtown. They have started the land clearing for the south side library and there is also one in Carencro, which is the north regional branch. Now they are looking for the 3<sup>rd</sup> regional in this area which would be 1 ½ miles from Highway 89 and the future Ambassador Caffery. The library in Carencro will be opened in May 2007 and the land was donated by the Mayor and Council of Carencro, which will house 12,000 square feet of library. They are looking for anyone who may be interested in donating property. This Monday they will have a public meeting in the main meeting room at the public library to discuss this library. They are looking to build a 12,000 square foot library. He thanked the council for allowing them to speak. Councilman Foco questioned if they are successful in finding property, when will the library be built? Sonia stated right now according to the schedule it will be not before 2012 according to the schedule; but they are willing to sit down with whomever possible to maybe move it forward. Councilman Foco questioned if they are successful in getting land from families, could we name the library in the name of the family? Verret stated they have a committee that would decide on that, but they can work on that. Verret stated there are a lot of opportunities for naming the library or rooms in the library. Councilman Rousseau questioned if this would combine the Broussard and Youngsville library? Verret stated there has been no decision about closing the Broussard or Youngsville library even when the new library is built. That decision has not been made. They are looking for 4 to 6 acres of land. Right now the land donations are limited to the circle in which they are looking at; however they still can go back to the board. Councilman Higginbotham stated if this thing is not built in 6 years, each community might need their own library by then. Verret stated that is a good idea, but they have a bond issue that was presented to the voters that they have to commit to and possibly in the future they can look at that. Mayor Langlinais stated when they built in Carencro, he informed them then that the growth was in this area, but he feels in 10 or 15 years there will be fewer books on the shelves. He feels most libraries now should have more electronic equipment, than just books. Verret stated he also is like the Mayor that does his research on line, but the demand is for the books also by other people. Verret thanked the council for allowing him to make the presentation.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Adopt Ordinance #06-295A/Providing for the Revocation and/or Suspension of Licenses for Businesses engaged in selling alcohol** = Attorney Landry stated that he sent out copies of the revised ordinance regarding the following changes: violation maybe in revocation or suspension of license or permit and in section 2 in prohibited acts it also covers dancers.

Minutes Of The

July 11, 2006

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  
 Chief Brannon Decou, Chief of Police  
 Jason Lopez, Fire Chief  
 Gene Chiarulli, City Auditor  
 Don Landry, Attorney At Law  
 Al Reaux, City Engineer  
 Jerry Grooms, City Engineer  
 Larry Champagne, City Supervisor  
 Mel Bertrand, City Foreman  
 Elmer Girouard, City Supervisor  
 Carl Romero, Contractor  
 Mark Ste. Marie, Contractor  
 Lee Verret, Lafayette Parish Library Board  
 Sonia Dombourian, Director of Lafayette Parish Library  
 Talbot Ottinger, Developer  
 Lee Wright, Central Control aka Camelot Village

Councilman Foco called the meeting to order and Chief Decou lead with the Pledge of Allegiance and a silent prayer was said for our boys that are still overseas and Councilman Foco asked that we keep everyone in our prayers during this hurricane season.

**Adopt minutes of the June 26, 2006 Special Council Meeting and the June 27, 2006 Regular Council Meeting** = Councilman Rousseau questioned the minutes in reference to the amount we pay the inspectors, is it \$25 an hour or \$25 per inspection? Tina stated it is suppose to be \$25 per inspection. She apologized for the error. Moved by Councilman Rousseau and second by Councilman Romero to adopt the minutes of the June 26, 2006 Special City Council Meeting and the minutes of the June 27, 2006 Regular City Council Meeting. Roll call:

District I = Yea

District IV = Yea