

Minutes Of The

June 20, 2007

Broussard City Council Special 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 Albert Romero, District VI
Councilman Johnnie Foco, At Large
Don Landry, Attorney At Law
Gene Chiarulli, City Accountant
Mr. Donnie Cunningham, Bond Attorney
Mr. Jim Ryan, Financial Consultant

Absent: Councilman Kenny Higginbotham, District V
Councilwoman Gertrude Batiste, District IV

Councilman Foco called the meeting to order and Councilman Keith Rousseau lead with the Pledge of Allegiance and a silent prayer was done for our boys that are still overseas.

The reason for this Special City Council Meeting is to:

- 1) Adopt Ordinance #07-315, which is a Supplemental Ordinance amending and supplementing Ordinance #05-288; providing for the sale of the Public Improvement Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, series 2007, of the City of Broussard, State of Louisiana, pursuant to the Bond Ordinance; describing 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.

Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Ryan addressed the council. They explained that the last time they addressed the council they were trying to get a good rating for this bond. They took a chance going to New York and went to Standard & Poor's for a better rating. They have us a BBB+ rating. They gave us a higher rating after negotiating with AMBAC. This is the first time ever that AMBAC has insured a city without a population of over 15,000 without having to put up a reserve fund. MR. Ryan congratulated the city on this. The bonds are for 4.541% for 30 years. The average debt each month will be \$52,000, which was originally was thought to be \$60,000 - \$78,000. We can set aside money to pay it off early, but not earlier than 10 years. We can defer the bond by putting money in escrow. Gene state realisty we are looking at a four year time frame before the road is opened and we will start receiving revenues from this. Mayor Langlinais stated that he didn't know that we would have that much flexibility. He also added

that is the reason for this big trip to Las Vegas next year, for the turnaround in 2 years. Mayor Langlinais stated that we may also want to invest in government bonds. Mr. Cunningham stated that this is a great time to borrow right now. If we didn't get the ½ assurity we would have to put up \$300,000 in reserves. Mr. Cunningham stated that they did 3 things to help: 1) They went to Standard & Poor's, 2) They to AMBAC and 3) Typically they would say that only 10% would be in the debt service fund. For another \$20,000 they will write another debt service reserve. All in all we said a total of \$529,000 after cost of insurance, the assurity bond and the rating. Councilman Foco stated that he would definitely like the Mayor and Mr. Ryan and Mr. Cunningham to make a press release bout this. Mr. Ryan stated the City of Broussard received a AAA Bond Rating, which has never been given to any city/county/parish or municipality with a population of less than 15,000 people. Mayor Langlinais stated that he expects to have a TIF Meeting at the end of July and he is asking the council to think about extending that extra penny for the TIF District. Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Ryan thanked the Mayor and Council for a job well done.

It was moved by Councilman Rousseau and second by Councilman Bonin to adopt Ordinance #07-315, which is a Supplemental Ordinance amending and supplementing Ordinance #05-288; providing for the sale of the Public Improvement Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, series 2007, of the City of Broussard, State of Louisiana, pursuant to the Bond Ordinance; describing 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. Roll call:

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

ADJOURN:

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

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

S/Charles E. Langlinais, MAYOR

S/Tina G. Denais, CITY CLERK