

Minutes Of The
November 25, 2008
Broussard City Council Meeting

Present: Mayor Charles E. Langlinais
 Tina M. Emert, City Clerk
 Councilman Terry Guilbeau, District I
 Councilman David Bonin, District II
 Councilman Keith Rousseau, District III
 Councilwoman Gertrude Batiste, District IV
 Councilman Kenny Higginbotham, District V
 Councilman Albert Romero, District VI
 Councilman Johnnie Foco, At Large
 Mr. Don Landry, City Attorney
 Mark Savoie, City Engineer
 Martin Poirier, City Engineer
 Al Reaux, City Engineer
 Mel Bertrand, City Foreman
 Larry Champagne, City Supervisor
 Elmer Girouard, City Supervisor
 Kenneth Wainwright, City Employee
 Chief Brannon Decou, Police Chief
 Kasie Mulkey, Secretary for the Broussard Fire Department
 Mr. James Simon, Attorney at Law (Magistrate Court Prosecutor)

Councilman Foco called the meeting to order and Councilwoman Batiste lead with the Pledge of Allegiance and a silent prayer was done for our troops that are still overseas and Ms. Eziarre Demette, Councilman Guilbeau's mother-in-law.

Adopt minutes of the November 11, 2008 = Moved by Councilman Guilbeau and second by Councilwoman Batiste to adopt the minutes of the November 11, 2008 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:

Mr. Tex Plumley re: Waterline for Santa Fe Cattle Company/Celebrity Drive = Mr. Plumley was not present. Larry stated the approximate cost of this project is \$27,000. Mr. Plumley and Mr. Wakefield couldn't be here tonight however; Larry stated this waterline will serve three parcels. It was moved by Councilman Guilbeau and second by Councilman Rousseau to approve this expenditure of an estimated cost of \$27,000 for the Santa Fe Cattle Company/Celebrity Drive waterline. Roll call:

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

Introduce Ordinance #08-346 re: St. Etienne Road Improvements = Councilman Guilbeau stated Larry had a meeting with Don Bertrand and Dee Stanley. Larry stated he and Mel met with them to show them how much it would cost to use their contractor to do our part. Our share will be \$127,000 and their share will be \$87,000. Attorney Landry stated is just an introductory ordinance. The price they have with their contractor is lower, so that is why we are going with their contractor. It is from Highway 90 to Fairfield. We are just piggy backing on their contract. This way is getting it done. They will fit us into the schedule. Therefore it was moved by Councilwoman Batiste and second by Councilman Guilbeau to introduce Ordinance #08-346, authorizing the Mayor of the City of Broussard, LA to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government for the improvement of St. Etienne Road. Roll call:

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

Appointment of Prosecutor for Magistrate Court for the replacement of Ed Broussard = Attorney Landry stated that Ed Broussard is leaving because he will be the district court judge in Vermillion Parish. The mayor's recommendation is James Simon. Mr. Simon stated he came met with the Chief and the staff. He is looking forward to working with us. Moved by Councilman Guilbeau and second by Councilman Higginbotham to appoint Mr. James Simon as the prosecutor for Magistrate Court, due to the replacement of Ed Broussard. Roll call:

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

OLD BUSINESS:

Adopt Ordinance #08-345/2008 Bond Ordinance = Attorney Landry stated that Donnie Cunningham recommended that we table this item, because it was not advertised to be adopted. Therefore it was moved by Councilman Bonin and second by Councilman Rousseau to table Ordinance #08-345, a supplemental Ordinance amending and supplementing Ordinance #05-288,

providing for the sale of the Public Improvement Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Series 2008, of the City of Broussard, State of Louisiana, pursuant to the Bond Ordinance; 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, until the Dec. 9th, meeting. Roll call:

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

ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Al's Report:

Sewer Pond = Al stated on October 1st the pond was 56% complete. Councilman Foco also stated that in the third stage of the pond we were going to put a storage shed in the front of the pond. We rather put in the rear of the pond. We will build up 3.8 acres, 7 feet. We would still have to build up the front if it would be put in the front. The contractor will put the dirt in the back. The roads will be on top of the levee. Councilman Foco just wanted to bring this up for there is no surprises in the change orders. Councilman Rousseau questioned if this would be a problem with DEQ? Mel stated no. We will have a lot of excess dirt to move. Al stated the contractor has not given us final prices. We are waiting on a number of the 2.8 acres not compacted. It will be about \$120,000 estimate cost to build up.

Mark's Report:

Ambassador Parkway Pump Station = Mark stated that the Ambassador Parkway Pump Station was awarded to the low bidder Teche Construction. The bid came in \$21,000 under budget. This pump station will be for Stine's

Prime Marine Project = Mark stated that this project has been completed. He brought up a recommendation for substantial completion. It also came in under budget. This is completely paid by the state. It was moved by Councilman Rousseau and second by Councilman Romero to recognize the Prime Marine Project as substantially complete. Roll call:

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

Drainage Easement on Burgess Drive = Mark stated that previously Mr. Faust had requested that he be able to move a drainage easement on Burgess Drive. He was asked for a drainage study from engineers. Mark reviewed and made a recommendation about pipe being changed out. The city originally recommended a 24 foot pipe, however the City didn't know there was drainage easement which was a public easement. Their engineer recommended

changing out the pipe and put 30 inch pipe. The city offered to change the last 60 foot of pipe and change and the other pipe for it to slope. The installation will be done by Mr. Faust. It is a contractor error. Mark is recommending that the council allow him to do this. Mr. Faust is comfortable with this decision. Councilman Foco apologized for the confusion over this matter. He thanked Mr. Faust for doing the development in Broussard and stated we are glad they are here and we will take care of them. Mr. Faust stated that is why they wanted to move the drainage ditch in order to build another building. Mr. Faust understood what was done. Mark stated the request to move the drainage easement is still open. This item will be put on the Dec. 9th agenda for approval.

Walter's Report:

Not present.

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT:

The report was given to the council. Mr. Chiarulli was not present. Councilman Foco stated he doesn't think there are no surprises. He feels by the end of the year we will be over 1 million dollars.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Red-Flex = Attorney Landry stated that he and the Mayor and the Chief did go with Red-Flex representatives to meet with the State. The problem is to get thru the beau racy. He feels we are headed in the right direction. The head of DOTD gave suggestions of what Red-Flex can do to get this done. Councilman Foco questioned about Red-Flex in Lafayette, if it is working? Attorney Landry stated the numbers of violations is working.

POLICE DEPARTMENT:

Highway 96 and 182 Intersection = Chief Decou stated that we laid asphalt down at that intersection and we have a lot of missed crashes. Some people are using it as turn lanes. We have several complaints from businesses and residents in that area. He is recommending that we get DOTD to mark it and cone it off in the meantime. Al stated the first day he passed that way; he saw how dangerous it was. Even to put signage we have to go thru the state. Chief Decou questioned if we can call DOTD to cone it? Councilman Foco stated if they can use common sense it works. We will see about getting it striped.

Alleged Murder in the area = Chief Decou stated they had fast response on locating the alleged murderer last week from the Lafayette Burger King in the Broussard, LA. They are still looking for the other two people involved in the incident.

FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Office Renovations = Chief Champagne was not present; however Kasie stated that the office project is going well. They are waiting for data lines to be finished and the walls to be

sheetrock.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

District II/ Councilman Bonin:

Holiday Wishes = Councilman Bonin wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

District III/Councilman Rousseau:

Holiday Wishes = Councilman Rousseau wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

District IV/Councilwoman Batiste:

Holiday Wishes = Councilwoman Batiste wished everyone Happy Holidays. She also thanked the men that are helping her with clearance of Loul Street Extension.

District V/Councilman Higginbotham:

Albertson Parkway Sewage = Councilman Higginbotham stated that they will begin proceeding with the sewer project on Albertson Parkway. The money has already been allocated in current budget. That project should soon be starting. We will be bringing businesses in that area.

At Large/Councilman Foco:

Bond Money = Councilman Foco stated that the Mayor called him to see how much they want to put in the ground from the bond money? It is a great thing. We can get up to \$15 million.

Happy Holidays = Councilman Foco wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and stated let's continue working together to keep businesses coming and roads being built. Happy Holidays and drive safely.

ADJOURN:

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

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S/Charles E. Langlinais, MAYOR

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