

MINUTES OF THE August 23, 2016

BROUSSARD CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Regular City Council Meeting

Present: Mayor Charles Langlinais
Tina Emert, City Clerk
Councilwoman Angel Racca, District I
Councilman David Bonin, District II
Councilman Ray Bourque, District III
Councilwoman Gertrude Batiste, District IV
Councilman Kenny Higginbotham, District V
Councilman Ray Gary, District VI
Councilman Johnnie Foco, At Large
Councilman Ray Gary, District VI
Don Landry, City Attorney
Walter Comeaux, City Engineer
Mark Savoy, City Engineer
Al Reaux, City Engineer
Brannon Decou, Police Chief
Chief Bryan Champagne, Fire Chief
Mel Bertrand, City Supervisor
Jack Hains, Recreation Director
David Bernard, Architect

Meeting called to order = Mayor Langlinais called the meeting to order.

Opening Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance = Councilman Gary lead with the Pledge of Allegiance and a silent prayer was done.

Approval of Minutes of minutes of the Regular Meeting August 9, 2016 = Moved by Councilman Bourque and second by Councilwoman Batiste to adopt the minutes of the August 9, 2016 regular city council meeting and public hearing. Roll call:

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

Don Landry:

Adopt Resolution #480-16/Approve final acceptance & betterment of Bayou Tortue Manor Subdivision = Mark stated that there is part of this subdivision that 20 feet is reserved to control traffic flow. Everything has been inspected. The recorded map will exclude the private part of the subdivision which is the gate at Emancipation Drive. Mark stated that Mr. Guidry was only required to put in an 8 inch waterline and he paid for the betterment and put in a 12 inch line to serve Shenandoah and he put a fire hydrant at end. He also put a regional pump station. The City is to reimburse Mr. Guidry for the betterment which is \$35,100 for the waterline betterment and \$30,000 for the sewer betterment. Mayor Langlinois stated he spoke to TESI and they will absorb the cost. We will try and put the meter in the ground within the next 2 weeks for the Shenandoah water. Moved by Councilman Bonin and second by Councilwoman Racca to adopt Resolution #480-16, a resolution of the City council of the City of Broussard, LA accepting the dedication of streets and/or servitudes and rights of way in regards to the Bayou Tortue Manor subdivision and also amending the 2015-2016 Budget to reimburse the developer for the betterment up to \$66,000 for the payment of the betterment to Bayou Tortue Manor, LLC. Roll call:

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

Adopt Resolution #479-16/Appointment to Civil Service Board to fill un-expired term of Karl Girouard = Mayor Langlinois stated that Karl Girouard has decided to step down from the Civil Service Board. He would like to appoint Percy Racca to the board. Mr. Racca is a lifelong resident of Broussard and has always been interested on serving on the board. Councilman Higginbotham stated he has no issue with Mr. Racca serving on the board, but he thinks that we have other candidates that we might also want to look at. Mayor Langlinois stated he understands that. Chief Decou stated that Percy was one of the first four nominees to sit on the board. Chief Decou stated that he is a life-long resident of Broussard with previous law enforcement experience. Councilwoman Racca stated that she has no problem with Percy's appointment. Councilman Bonin stated that he also spoke to other people that were interested on sitting on the board and this is the first discussion that we have about this till now about any candidate. Councilman Bourque stated that he also knows Percy very well. He stated that maybe in the future it would be a good idea for this to come to the council first with all of the names of the appointees. Don stated after the stagger term, then it will be a 3 year term. He stated that we are replacing a businessman on the board with another businessman and he feels it is a balance situation. Don stated that Mr. Racca will take the Oath of Office at the next meeting. Therefore it was moved by Councilman Foco and second by Councilwoman Racca to adopt Resolution #479-16, accepting the resignation of Mr. Karl Girouard and appointing Mr. Percy Racca to serve the unexpired term of Mr. Karl Girouard on the Broussard Police and Fire Civil Service Board. Roll call:

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

Storm:

Mel stated that we have wrapped up the second round of debris pickup. We will start the next round of pickup on Sept 5th. Councilman Bourque and Councilman Foco thanked all city workers, firefighters and police personnel for the assistance with this disaster.

Mr. Elair addressed the council regarding the flood. He stated that he feels maybe if they dig the coulee near Ridgeview Subdivision that will help the drainage. Mel stated that they are looking at straightening that drainage up now.

Adjournment = Moved by Councilman Gary 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 Emert, CITY CLERK