

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF BROUSSARD, LA
ON MONDAY, July 25, 2023,
AT 6:00 P.M. AT 414 EAST MAIN STREET, COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

- Present:** Mayor Ray Bourque, Councilwoman Angel Racca (District 1), Councilman David Bonin (District 2), Councilman Jesse Regan (District 3), Councilwoman Heather Girouard (District 4), Councilman David Forbes (District 5), Councilman Kody Allen (District 6)
- Staff:** Tina Emert (City Clerk/Director of Administrative Services), Callie Laviolette (Chief Administrative Officer), Karen Fontenot (Chief Financial Officer), Susie Richard (Executive Assistant to the Mayor), Mel Bertrand (City Manager/Director of Public Works), Millicent Norbert (Director of Tourism), Jamison Abshire (Director of Parks and Recreation), Walter Comeaux (City Engineer), Ben Theriot (Code Enforcement Officer), Oscar Reed (Attorney At Law), Captain Zac Gerard and Aaron Speil (Assistant Fire Chief)
- Absent:** Gerald deLaunay (City Attorney), Justin Denais (Deputy Fire Chief), Dennis Mouton (Deputy Fire Chief), Daniel Hutchinson (City Engineer), Councilman Jeff Delahoussaye (At Large), Chief Vance Olivier (Police Chief), Tony Ashy (Assistant Police Chief) and Bryan Champagne (Fire Chief)

1. OPENING

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance
- 1.2 Invocation was done by Pastor Marty Deroussell

2. MINUTES

2.1 Acceptance of Minutes of the July 11, 2023, Regular Meeting

Motion by Councilman Regan

Second by Councilman Bonin

Discussion: No public comments

Final Resolution: Motion Approved

YEAS: District 1 - Angel Racca
 District 2 - David Bonin
 District 3 - Jesse Regan
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ABSENT: At Large - Jeff Delahoussaye

3. OTHER BUSINESS

3.1 The Pines Apartments Update

Located at 219 Leon Street Units 3 – 4

Ben stated since this was brought to the council for condemnation, The Pines Apartments have been sold. The new owner met with him and Mr. Cooney. The new owner does plan to renovate them, but he does have to go through the Fire Marshalls Office first. We did allow him to get a permit to repair the roof on the building that was leaking and the laundromat. He is working in the right direction. Mayor Bourque stated the council had previously moved on condemning one building. At that time, the owner informed them he was in negotiations to sell the property. Mayor Bourque requested Ben keep them updated on the progress the new owner is making. Councilwoman Girouard, questioned what is the time frame for the owner to get this back up to code? Ben stated he cannot give a timeline now, because the owner has to submit detail plans to the Fire Marshalls Office. Councilwoman Girouard questioned if he is renovating all of the buildings? Ben said yes, he is.

3.2 Tammy Simoneaux & Russell Trahan

Variance Request to Zoning Ordinance

Zoned Community Commercial

To allow animal kenneling at 1270 South Bernard Road

Moved by Councilman Regan

Second by Councilman Forbes

Discussion: Mr. Russell Trahan addressed the council. Mr. Trahan explained exactly where the building will be located on the property. The dogs will only go outside to do their business. There will be fencing between the property owners to mitigate the noise and plenty of landscaping. The pipeline also runs on the backside of the property. The dogs will be inside by 6:00 am everyday and not outside at night. There is a similar business like this that opened on Albertson Parkway, Zen Dog. They will have grooming, but no outdoor kenneling. The building will be a metal structure, which will be modified attractively along with landscaping. It will be more of a spa. Councilman Bonin questioned, how far from the day care, will he be? Russell stated approximately 700 -800 feet away. Councilwoman Girouard, questioned how tall will the fence be? Mr. Trahan stated six feet.

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4. ORDINANCES FOR ADOPTION

4.1 Ordinance #23-776

An ordinance annexing certain properties located on the southern side of Garber Road in Section 17, Township 10 South, Range 5 East, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana, and being placed in City of Broussard Voting District 1 known as 418-422 Even Garber Road, the H. Brashier Management, LLC Annexation

Motion by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Allen

Discussion: No public comments

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4.2 Ordinance #23-777

An ordinance annexing certain properties located on the eastern side of North Southpark Road and the southern side of Garber Road in Section 53/17, Township 10 South, Range 5 East, Lafayette Parish, Louisiana and placed in City of Broussard Voting District 1 known at 404 Garber Road, the H. Brashier Management, LLC Annexation

Motion by Councilwoman Racca

Second by Councilman Allen

Discussion: No public comments

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ADJOURNMENT

5.1 Adjourn Meeting



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MAYOR RAY BOURQUE



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TINA EMERT, CITY CLERK