

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: None.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Wayne C. Landry, Tom Turk, Rebekka Rainer, Lee Martin, Stephanie Armbruster, Sissy Granger, Donald Simon William Benoit, Jason Simon, Wilson Viator, Jr., John C. Broussard, Bobby Francis, Phil & Gloria Cancienne, Jason Theriot, Jason Romero, Dalton Gary, Jr., Chief Earl Menard, Walter Comeaux, III, and Ross Heard.

Mayor Denais called the meeting to order and asked Councilman Paul Huval to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to adopt Ordinance No. 243 to annex properties on Highway 92 and 339. Passed unanimously.
2. Public Hearing was held tonight on the proposed development of the Village at Copperfield, asking for preliminary plat approval for the subdivision of approximately 6.249 acres into 18 residential lots. Rebekka Raines and the council discussed the Area wide Development Review Committee Comprehensive Report listing the conditions and making recommendations of items needing to be done in reference to this proposed development. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilman Paul Huval to give preliminary plat approval subject to the conditions listed in the Area wide Development Committee Comprehensive Report. Passed unanimously.
3. With two of his deputies injured and one quitting the Youngsville Police Department, Chief Earl Menard addressed the Council on the hiring of a deputy (replacement). Chief Menard recommended tonight to hire Shawn Broussard, who previously worked for this department about a year ago and had moved to California because of his wife's work and is back here in Louisiana. Councilwoman Yvonne King inquired about the condition of the two injured deputies on workers comp. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to accept the Chief's recommendation to hire Shawn Broussard as a full-time deputy (December 27, 2001) for our police department. Seconded by Councilman Huey Romero. Passed unanimously.
4. Youngsville Fire Chief Jason Simon addressed the Council on the department's annual report for 2001 discussing various summary reports on incidents, departmental activity report and yearly activity report giving staff hours concerning station drills, driver/operator training, officer training, first aid training, air pack drills, and hazardous materials training. Total trained staff hours of 1803. Jason also discussed the main activities for the year 2001 and a proposal for council consideration asking for council to provide another \$12,080.00 to have someone in the fire station ready to respond Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., utilizing members who could do this on a part-time basis, where the station would be manned as many hours as possible during the daytime working hours. We will need to get with the accountants on

this payroll matter. This could be a double benefit for our community, having someone to man the station as much as possible, giving credit points towards lowering our fire rating and better medical response time. Jason discussed that the department acquired a 2-1/2 ton 6x6 military personnel truck from the Louisiana Forestry Department to use for high water rescue or any special operation it could be utilized. In reference to the additional funds requested, Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that this proposal for funding can be considered when we come up with our new upcoming budget in July. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that putting someone to man the fire station would have a significant impact on our fire rating and that once we have the 16" waterline, this would boost our system water pressure and even predicts that we would even improve/reduce the fire rating number which would give cost savings to our residents on fire insurance.

Jason also discussed Councilman Huey Romero's point on the proposed smoke alarm program (through donations) to the needy families, where the fire department would install the smoke alarms and keep a register on this and the following year go back and put a new battery and keep adding to the list yearly. Request to print on the back of our water bills for donation of smoke alarms or funding for same, or if they are in need of one, and cannot afford to purchase one.

5. (a) Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed the sewer plant upgrade Project No. 2000-038 stating that our sewer plant is operating with a few breakdowns but remains in compliance. The new plant advertising for bids will commence on the 25th of this month and bids will be opened on the 27th of February 2002.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and Councilwoman Yvonne King to add Resolution No. 2002-001 to amend tonight's agenda. Passed unanimously. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to adopt Resolution No. 2002-001 granting the authority to submit a pre-application to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality for the State Revolving Loan Program. Passed unanimously.

(b) In reference to the 16" Waterline Project No. 2000-108, Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that Facility Planning and Control must approve the final execution of documents. Sent to them, was a copy of the contract, payment of performance bond, and insurance certificate. Upon approval, then Walter will execute and issue a Notice to Proceed. Probably this project will be underway within 30 days.

(c) On the Bayou Parc Perdue Lateral No. 9 Project No. 99025, Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that it is completed and came out well, as predicted.

(d) In reference to the upcoming Oakthorn Drainage Project No. 2000-111, Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that we have obtained a quote from Archie Thibodeaux Construction Company for the proposed work in the amount of \$14,400.00 with the Council previously allocating \$15,000.00 for that project work. Town Manager Charles Langlins is working on a property owner (Pat Flugence) for approval, upstream of Oakthorn, to straighten out an existing ditch/additional work in the neighborhood of \$3,500.00 (estimated). The Mayor stated in discussion that this matter would need to be brought back to the Council to appropriate more dollars on this project.

(e) In reference to the Recreation Trail Project No. 2001-111, in Foster Park, the bids will be open on February 15, 2002. Walter discussed pavement work from Second to Fourth Street which he estimated at \$30,000.00 and this will be an additive alternate for council consideration.

- 6 Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept the written minutes of the regular meeting of December 13, 2001. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Mayor Lucas Denais
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais
Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2001 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais, and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Verna Romero, Walter Comeaux, III, Tim Thibodeaux, Randy Broussard, Ed Broussard, Wilson Viator, Jr., Martin Roy, Wayne C. Landry, Patricia Flugence, Norbert Krieg, Sylvia Brown, Tony Mitchell, Jr., and Robby Broussard.

Mayor Denais called the special meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Brenda Broussard to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Mayor Denais welcomed all guests present and asked that they sign the register and called this special meeting to order for a discussion on the Oakthorn Subdivision Drainage. Mayor Denais stated in discussion that we have spoken to our engineer Walter Comeaux, III, and Mr. Roy Allen Comeaux who has some concerns about what the town wants to do on that drainage issue. Mayor Denais has invited Mr. Roy Allen Comeaux and other concerned people involved to this special meeting tonight to address this matter. Roy Comeaux stated in discussion that the town wants to go only up to Oakthorn Subdivision and he feels that he (his property) is not holding Oakthorn water or anyone else's water the way the ditch is. If the town is going to spend some money and do something, then go all the way through and straighten the ditch out, other than that he would have to reconsider. Roy asked why was there a 16" door at the bottom of the gate at Oakthorn Subdivision when there is supposed to be drainage culverts to take care of that water and why is there a fifty-foot (50') offset with an open ditch on the other side. The water cannot go through the pipes with the two 90's in there and naturally it will go over and flood the two houses there and the other neighbors further up the ditch should be addressed, too. Resident Norbert Krieg (Scrub) stated in discussion that the drainage ditch was shut off in the trailer park (Vermilion Circle) which kills all of their drainage and that is why there is an accumulation of water at the end of Bonin Road and Highway 92 and something needs to be done further upstream. Another problem that might alleviate a certain amount of water, is by a ditch in the back, which he discussed with Town Manager Charles to take some of that water to direct it there. This ditch, as stated by Roy Comeaux, is supposed to drain all the back third of his property and has not been cleaned since 1976 when Simon Langlinais died. This ditch is located on the back property line of Roy Comeaux and Scrub Krieg (known as the Alciator Outfall Ditch) which needs to be cleaned out.

Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, gave a presentation and made reference to an aerial map displayed tonight of this particular (drainage) area of town which he discussed tonight. Walter applied some standard engineering practices to try to identify where the problems are and stated that if there is a problem in the back ditch (Alciator Outfall Ditch) that is a separate drainage in a different area than what he is working on and that if the Mayor and Council ask him to investigate that channel also, that he would do so. He is currently doing a drainage study within a water shed because of complaints from residents of Oakthorn and what was done by Engineer Walter was that he took cross-sections and ran profiles all the way from Parc Perdue, surveying the elevations of the ground and ditches, to see if there was anything obvious obstructing the water flowing downhill; evaluating existing culvert sizing and grading to be sufficient to clean the

area. Walter stated that he only profiled up to Oakthorn Subdivision because he was unaware of any problem to the north of that. Refer to tape for discussion on same concerning drainage flow, Vermilion Circle Trailer Park, and made reference to a plan-profile diagram sheet. Improvements to a channel are made downstream going upstream. The highest point of siltation is occurring right near Roy Comeaux's driveway. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, recommends removing three feet (3') of siltation where it is silted up the worst from that ditch, clean it just past Maxie Duhon Road, after that, the channel is in good shape all the way to Parc Perdue.

Walter Comeaux, III, stated that Mayor Denais asked him to look at the crossing under Highway 92 at Bonin Road, which is insufficient based on highway department criteria, which is a 25-year storm. It is sufficient for probably a 10 or 5-year storm and would, under normal rainfall, operate perfectly. Walter has written a letter to the Highway Department asking them to change the culverts or allow the town to do so. Ditch elevations discussed.

Comment given in discussion by Mrs. Patricia Flugence (property North of Oakthorn) who stated that she has complained and called the town and spoke to Town Manager Charles Langlinais numerous times about the drainage problem in her area and nothing was done. Questions and comments were also given by resident Tony Mitchell concerning piping the ditch on his property. Resident Randy Broussard from Oakthorn Subdivision commented and discussed the culverts in Oakthorn Subdivision and downstream cleaning of ditches. Mrs. Sylvia Brown from Oakthorn Subdivision stated that her house flooded during the last storm and that she wants something done.

Councilman Huey Romero stated that he went out there and walked this area twice and stated that he spoke to Roy Comeaux and that Roy was not against the town digging his ditch and will allow the town to do so, but he wants the town to address the drainage to the north also. Councilman Huey Romero also discussed the Vermilion Circle Trailer Park drainage problem. Roy Comeaux stated that he gives permission for the town to dig the ditch providing that the town does a study upstream and study the ditch in the back (Alciator Outfall Ditch) incorporate this also in the study.

Motion was made by Councilman Huey Romero and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to go upstream and have Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, study the problem up there, also. Councilman Huey Romero restated his motion that we do a survey (study) on cleaning the ditches north from the highest point coming back down to Oakthorn and do a survey (study) on the coulee in the back (Alciator Out fall Ditch) anything in this area, with Roy Allen Comeaux in agreement giving permission as long as everybody is taken care of along that way. Councilwoman Brenda Burley seconded. Passed unanimously.

Mayor Denais instructed engineer Walter Comeaux, III, to get started tomorrow on those studies, with some monies already appropriated, and would like to see dirty flying by Monday A.M. or even Friday. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, commented on wet conditions.

With no further business up for discussion, this special meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Mayor Lucas Denais
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON FEBRUARY 19, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais, and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Verna Romero, Walter Comeaux, III, Tim Thibodeaux, Logan Thibodeaux, Anthony Brown, Howard & Brenda Patin Randy Broussard, Ed Broussard, Wilson Viator, Jr., Wayne C. Landry, Sylvia Brown, Steve Brown, Tony Mitchell, Jr., and Robby Broussard, Karen Davis, Larry Dupuy, and Norman Lerille.

Mayor Denais called the special meeting to order and asked Councilman Huey Romero to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Mayor Denais stated that there were two things on tonight's agenda concerning drainage problems. At the last special meeting, on Oakthorn Drainage matter, Mayor stated that he was under the impression that we were ready to go out there and clean the drainage ditch even before the study north of that took place, evidently, that is not what Mr. Roy A. Comeaux thought because when the contractors went out there to start the process, Roy wanted the study of the northern part of Oakthorn Subdivision done before he would give permission. That is why we are meeting tonight and the study has been done, with the survey work being done. The analysis has not been completed yet. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that the analysis of the northern part does not impact or hinge on what we do in the southern part and we always work downstream on up. While it is desirable to study the rest upstream spectrum, it is not necessary, at this point, to do the downstream section. Walter repeated that the analysis has not been completed.

Mr. Roy A. Comeaux addressed the council and other concerned resident property owners here tonight stating that he has spent time with Councilman Huey Romero and the Town Manager Charles Langlinais and said that if he was going to help anybody, he wanted to **help everyone along this natural drainage ditch** and he will not say and didn't say the town could not dig his property and that the only thing he is telling all of the people is that it be done right and do it one time and be through with it. Roy also stated that the last time this ditch was dug before most of the people here were present, two culverts (jars) were to be placed under Hwy. 92, and only one was placed by the Police Jury because one collapsed and only one culvert was left. Roy stated that the water goes up to Hwy. 92 and goes down and floods in front of the mechanic's house (Gary Hyatt). Roy stated that he only asked Town Manager Charles Langlinais to place the culverts under Hwy. 92 before the work is started at his house. He has pastureland at his house that costs a fortune. Roy also stated his agreement is to put the culverts under Hwy. 92 and put the culverts at Maxie Duhon Road; and then dig on his property and that is how he stands on this drainage issue. He further stated strongly that he wants it done one time and one time only.

Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that he has sent a letter to D.O.T.D. to increase the size of the culverts under Hwy. 92, which is on a state route and not in our jurisdiction, where we have no right to simply do that. The culvert is adequate for the design storm of the channel but does need to be increased based on the Highway Department criteria, which is higher than our criteria. The culvert that is there now will handle the design storm that he is working with but

not the Highway Department's criteria, so we do want them to upgrade. Engineer Walter stated that as far as he can tell that the culvert can handle a 5 and 10-year storm, which is what he is designing for upstream. Walter discussed the proposed work, with the results not being complete yet. Heated discussion on tape.

Councilwoman Brenda Burley asked Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, why this was occurring if the culverts are adequate. Town Manager Charles Langlinalis stated that the Highway Department re-dug the ditch to grade to slope along the side of the road there from Cane Field Drive to the outfall ditch of Hwy 92. It has not rained yet to see if it will drain properly. The Highway Department claims this is where the problem is. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that we are trying to clean out ditches if they are plugged up and that is our goal, to promote proper drainage. Councilman Huey Romero asked that if we get those people to dig the ditch starting tomorrow and get it all cleaned up, how long would it be before we have to go back in there and re-dig it/clean out. Walter stated that the ditches in our community probably should be cleaned out ever five years, just for maintenance.

Oakthorn Resident Steve Brown stated that he could not see how someone could sit back and watch their neighbors flood and that these drainage ditches situations/problems need to be resolved to give some relief to their neighbors. Discussion on tape by residents Roy A. Comeaux and Steve Brown. Roy stated that Mr. Norbert Kreig has 14 acres he plans to develop and that 70% runoff water will go towards Oakthorn Subdivision. Further discussion on tape.

Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that we made the request to Bill Fontenot from D.O.T.D. to change the Hwy. 92 culverts on December 10, 2001. He also stated that if you improve the upstream of a channel and don't improve downstream you can actually cause problems by doing that and would not advocate doing the work if there was a big problem at Hwy. 92, and does not see a problem at Hwy. 92. By changing culverts we can see some improvement better than what we have now. The State has a drainage manual and that procedure must be followed as standard practices and that is what we are doing.

Roy A. Comeaux stated that he will let the people come on his property and dig tomorrow morning but if this doesn't work out across the road (Hwy. 92), the town must promise him that a pipe would be put across that road (Hwy. 92) within six months. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that we cannot promise that, because the State has jurisdiction and not the Town of Youngsville. We are still awaiting response from D.O.T.D.

Roy A. Comeaux stated, for the record, he would let the town dig on his property right now without putting culverts (jars) across the road (Hwy. 92) but don't want to hear from anyone for 20 years, he doesn't want to hear anything! When Mr. Krieg develops his 14 acres, he (Roy A. Comeaux) stated that he doesn't want the town or the residents coming back to him when they are crying! Also Roy is requesting that the Hwy. 92 culverts (jars) be changed/installed and his final statement was "I'm through with it and all I wanted to do is help everybody, Mr. Krieg and the trailer park and ***if they tear up my pastures, they will pay.***"

Councilman Huey Romero asked Roy A. Comeaux if he would sign an agreement to allow the town to enter onto his property for the purpose of clearing a drainage ditch which runs through there. Further heated discussion on tape concerning trailer park drainage, sewage plant and grant application. Town Attorney Edward Broussard was present tonight and prepared a hand written agreement for Roy A. Comeaux's signature tonight. Refer to attached signed agreement. No council action taken tonight.

2. Mayor Denais stated that he had some people ask to talk about the Almonaster Road drainage problem. A year ago, a request from the Parish Consolidated Government was made to come in and clean the ditch out on the Southside of Almonaster Road. Mayor Denais stated that he talked to the Public Works Director and this work was supposed to be done today, but if it was not done by the end of the week, he would move out of the parish, promising that it would be done before the end of this week.

Mayor Denais stated that there are some concerns from citizens about Mr. Wilson Viator, Jr.'s property draining on Almonaster Road. Spokesman and concerned property owner Normal Lerille at 708 Almonaster Road stated he has to go out there with a shovel to dig the ditch because farm machines are coming out closer by the ditch and that there was always a silt problem, making the drains smaller and more shallow because of the draining from the fields. There is really no ditch there, and the water comes across the street and he spends four days raking sugar cane from his front patio door and front yard. He also mentioned that there must be culverts stopped up because water remains in a section of the ditch. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated in discussion that on the north side of the road the culverts need to be straightened out which means breaking driveways. These driveways were done while in the parish and the town has a culvert policy to regulate this now. In a situation where it is not too critical, we leave it alone. Most of the problem is coming from the Southside. Mayor Denais stated that we have an Intergovernmental Agreement with the parish to come there and perform this drainage work because the town does not have the necessary equipment. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that Mayor Denais and Town Manager Charles Langlinais are looking into a ditch-cleaning machine for the town so that we can do it ourselves.

Cane farmer Wilson Viator, Jr., commented that there is definitely a problem there and he took over farming the land in January 2001. At that time, he explained that he contacted the parish about having that ditch dug there and all the way down the end of Almonaster Road, from Marteau Road to Hwy. 89. The parish said fine but some of that property was in the town limits and that the town must request the work be done by the parish. Wilson further said that he attended the town February meeting and requested this of the town and agreed by Intergovernmental Agreement, which was eventually signed in September. Wilson Viator stated that when he realized that the ditch would not be dug, he went in with his own cane loader and cleaned it temporarily, not cleaning it to grade because it is a public ditch on a highway and if there is an accident, he could be sued along with the town. He also stated that he dug the ditch deep enough and land-leveled the property, leaving 8-12 feet of bank so that the parish can come in to dig the ditch and specified to the parish that they did the ditch on his cane property to give a shoulder on Almonaster Road, stating that the ditch definitely needs to be dug and he did everything he could possibly do. Further discussions on ditch cleaning and drainage flow.

Wilson stated that he would sign paperwork that the ditch be dug on his property to give more shoulder on Almonaster Road. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that this is a good idea but would be hard to do. Further discussion on tape of drainage flow. Mrs. Sissy Granger commented that she was the natural drainage.

Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that we have to take what we have a make it work for proper & natural drainage flow.

Town Attorney Edward Broussard hand-wrote the agreement and motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement concerning the cleaning of the drainage ditch on Roy A. Comeaux's property and sign it without the council's signatures and this be approved and continued on by our attorney and sent to Mr. Roy A. Comeaux and the other avenues necessary be done. Roy stated again that all he was interested in was to help all his neighbors at one time. Passed unanimously. Town Attorney Edward Broussard said that if Mr. Roy A. Comeaux doesn't agree to sign for the cleaning of this ditch, he then explained the recourse that the town could take. Further discussion on tape. Mr. Roy A. Comeaux then signed the agreement, as did the Mayor, allowing the town to clear the drainage ditch running through his property. A signed copy of the agreement was given to Mr. Comeaux tonight.

With no further business up for discussion, this special meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Mayor Lucas Denais
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: Mayor Lucas Denais.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Wayne C. Landry, Rebekka Rainer, Sissy Granger, Donald Simon, Jason Simon, Bobby Francis, Wallace Vallot, Alan Offner, Miller & Lynette Petersen, Chief Earl Menard, Walter Comeaux, III, Cordell Castette, Louis Anzalone, and Verna Romero

Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot called the meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Brenda Burley to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. (a) Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to adopt Resolution No. 2002-002 authorizing the advertising for sealed bids for the purchase of \$1,800,000.00 of Sales Tax Bonds Series 2003 of the Town of Youngsville, State of Louisiana, and providing for other matters in connection therewith. Passed unanimously.

(b) In reference to the Sewer Upgrading No. 2 Financing Project No. 2000-038, motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to introduce Ordinance No. 245 authorizing the sale, issuance and delivery of \$1,800,000.00 of Sales Tax Bonds (Series 2003) of the Town of Youngsville, authorizing the execution of a loan and pledge agreement with the LA Department of Environmental Quality; prescribing the form, fixing the details and providing for the payment of principal of and interest on said bonds and entering into certain covenants and agreements in connection with the security and payment of said bonds and providing for other matters in connection therewith, including providing interim financing for the project being funded with the proceeds of the bonds through the issuance of bond anticipation notes. Motion passed unanimously. Alan Offner with Foley & Judell, our bonding representative was here tonight to explain this process.
2. Public Hearing was held regarding proposed development of Hillside Estates. Rebekka Rainer with the Lafayette Consolidated Government Planning Division was present tonight to discuss the area wide Development Review Committee Comprehensive Report approving the development subject to conditions listed in it. The developer is subdividing approximately 26 acres of property into fifty one (51) lots for residential development. After discussion, motion was made by councilman Paul Huval seconded by councilwoman Yvonne King to give preliminary plat approval, subject to the conditions. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Public Hearing was held tonight to discuss the proposed development of Highland Plantation subdivision, Phase I having 2.996 acres divided into four (4) residential lots. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that this subdivision is considered a minor subdivision because it is only four (4) lots, therefore it was not reviewed by the Lafayette Consolidated Government Planning Commission. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, recommended that they do a drainage impact study. In this development there is

an existing 18-foot wide asphalt road and temporary limestone cul-de-sac open ditch and they are requesting that it be made a public road. Walter stated that this is fine but must meet our standards/good-conditioned road. Another alternative is that it remain a private road and if this is the case, we don't do anything more. Louis Anzalone discussed his proposed development with the council. If Louis decides to make it a public road, it would need to come before the council for consideration. Asking tonight for preliminary plat approval, Councilwoman Brenda Burley and Councilman Paul Huval expressed concern about flooding in that area/drainage flow. Comments given on tape from Rebekka Rainer. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that the council could give preliminary and final plat approval subject to the minor drafting corrections and that it is a private street at this time and if he wants it to become public, he has to do some more things such as a very comprehensive drainage study and we must confirm that the road is sufficient. Walter stated that with only four (4) houses, he didn't seem to think it would impact much and as long as the street remain private, if the water in front of those houses stays there, that it is Louis' problem and not the town. If it becomes a dedicated road, then he will follow through with our procedures. Town Manager Charles Langlinais expressed concerns about sewer run-off in the industrial subdivision. Councilman Paul Huval made the motion to give preliminary and final plat approval for the four (4) lot subdivision, Highland Plantation, Phase I, with the condition that Louis does the drafting changes that Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, wants and that the road will remain private until further study and that all drainage and sewer treatment run-off will be directed towards the private road (north) and not onto the adjoining property. Councilwoman Yvonne King seconded. Passed unanimously.

Fire Chief Jason Simon asked Rebekka Rainer why the Youngsville Fire Department was not receiving plats of all new subdivisions as developed as in the past. Rebekka stated that after consolidation the list changed but he could be accommodated. Jason requested it be done for our fire department service area, as explained in discussion. Rebekka stated that she would make sure that Jason gets all the final plats for new subdivisions and send one for the streets.

4. In reference to the bids received on the proposed Recreational Trails (partial grant) Project No. 2001-111, the lowest bidder was Hub City Paving at the base bid of \$69,080.00 with the town funding at least 20% (\$33,380.00) Additive alternative for council consideration to pave from Second to Fourth Streets in the park was discussed by Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, which would cost the town an additional \$24,960.00. After discussion, motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to award to the lowest bidder, Hub City Paving (\$69,080.00) only for the trails and exclude the additive alternate for paving between Second and Fourth Streets and approach the parish on the additive alternate on road paving. Passed unanimously.
5. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to re-adopt Ordinance No. 243 annexing LA 92/339 properties as described in the ordinance. . Councilwoman Yvonne King seconded. Passed unanimously.

6. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda burley to introduce Ordinance No. 244 annexing the Southside of LA 92. Passed unanimously.

7. Lengthy heated discussion given on tape concerning petition to stop loud/bass music at the K.C. Hall. Lynnette Petersen, spokeswoman, for the nearby residents who were present tonight to complain and ask for something to be done to have the doors remain closed and are looking for a solution. Asking that the council please do something about the loud volume of music coming from the K.C. Hall during rented functions. Chief Menard recommended having a meeting with the K.C. Board members to come up with a solution, like putting sound boards in there, putting door cylinders, install "Keep Door Closed" signs. Developer Cordell Castette offered to donate \$500.00 to the cause. The town's Noise Ordinance No. 185.2 (modification) was discussed. Councilman Paul stated to the chief that if his deputies have to respond three (3) times for excessive noise there, then it should be shut down. Councilman Huey Romero agreed. Chief commented that he has no noise decibal meter/trained personnel for same. Council will review Ordinance No. 185.2. Walter stated that closing the front doors, request band face the back of center. Town Council can instruct Chief Menard by letter giving authorization to officer if in his judgment, is a nuisance. Then authorization could be given above and beyond the ordinance, which is to be enforced at the Chief/Deputies discretion.

In conclusion, Mayor Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot stated that we will meet/talk to the Board of Directors of the K.C. Hall and work with the Chief and see what can be done to correct the situation, as soon as possible, and take it from there. Councilman Paul Huval stated that we will call Mr. Petersen directly and tell her what transpired and in the meantime, police action can be taken.

8. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, updated the council on the following projects:
 - (a) In reference to the Sewer Plant Upgrade Project No. 2000-038, bids will be opened next week.
 - (b) Construction has begun on the L.U.S. 16" Waterline on Highway 89 North (Project No. 2000-108).
 - (c) Concerning Oakthorn Drainage Project No. 2000-111, Town Manager Charles Langlinois stated the contractor will begin next Wednesday morning.

9. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of January 10, 2002 and the Special Meeting of January 23, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot.

Jesse Vallot, Mayor Pro Tempore
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 21, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval (arrived late), Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Brenda Burley.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Sissy Granger, Bobby Francis, Alan Offner, Chief Earl Menard, Walter Comeaux, III, Gene Coussan, Ross Heard, Chuck Bangs, Mr. & Mrs. Clifton Hulin, Sr., Kay Haslam, and Wilson Viator, Jr.

Mayor Lucas Denais called the meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Yvonne King to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to adopt Ordinance No. 244 on the Annexation of the Southside of LA Hwy. 92, with description explained in Exhibit A. Passed unanimously.
2. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Jesse Vallot to adopt Ordinance No. 245 authorizing the sale, issuance and delivery of \$1,800,000.00 of Sales Tax Bonds, Series 2003, of the Town of Youngsville, authorizing the execution of a loan and pledge agreement with the Louisiana Department of environmental Quality; prescribing the form, fixing the details and providing for the payment of principal of and interest on said Bonds and entering into certain covenants and agreements in connection with the security and payment of said Bonds; and providing for other matters in connection therewith, including providing interim financing for the project being funded with the proceeds of the Bonds through the issuance of Bond Anticipation Notes. The Town of Youngsville is levying and collecting a one-half of one percent (1/2%) sales and use tax pursuant to a special election held on July 17th, 2999 at which election the following proposition was approved by a majority of the qualified electors voting. This ½% sales tax is for constructing, acquiring, improving, maintaining and operating sewers and sewage disposal work for the Town, and is to be funded into bonds. Motion passed unanimously (Councilman Paul Huval arrived later in the meeting).

Alan Offner, with Foley & Judell (bonding attorney) explained that after Bond Commission approval, pertaining to the interim financing, the Town has received three (3) offers to purchase \$1,800,000.00 of Bond Anticipation Notes of the Town of Youngsville. We received one from Bank One at an interest rate of 2.94% per annum, to mature 18 months from the date thereof, one from Hancock Bank of LA at 3.72% per annum, and one for 3.75% per annum from Iberia Bank. Monies would be made available sometime in early May, with Bank One having the lowest interest rate of 2.94% per annum.

Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that the Mayor may request a special meeting be held to make a recommendation for awarding to give the Notice of Award to proceed. Mayor Denais and Clerk Rebecca Langlinais signed necessary paperwork authorizing Bank

One to purchase at an interest rate of 2.94% per annum. Passed unanimously (with Councilman Paul Huval arriving late for the meeting).

3. For Council's information, Town Manager Charles Langlinais discussed abandoned house located at 504 Avenue B. In a letter received today, the property owner advised that she would contract the grass cutting and she does have other bids/contractors for a demolition crew to destroy the house. She does presently have intentions of leasing that property to the School Board for parking. Mayor Denais stated that the lady is willing to work with us. No council action taken tonight.
4. In reference to the approval of sales tax auditing service for the Lafayette Parish School Board, no council action was taken tonight. Carl Meche, Sales Tax Director did not attend this meeting tonight for discussion.
5. Town Manager Charles Langlinais discussed agenda item to purchase a ditch machine, looking at several different types of machinery, which could be universal. Refer to tape for discussion. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that a cost benefit analysis could be done. Council can consider an option to lease, purchase equipment, or contract professional services, as needed. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that we can call around and get some prices and look at costs and analyze that and make recommendations to council for consideration. Town Manager Charles Langlinais can determine the town's needs.
6. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King to adopt Resolution No. 2002-003 proclaiming the week of April 1 – 7th, 2002, as Natural Community Development Week, with the Town of Youngsville being a participant in the State-Administered Community Development Block Grant program which funds public infrastructure, economic development, and housing programs. Motion was seconded by Councilman Jesse Vallot. Passed unanimously (with Councilman Paul Huval arriving late at meeting).
7. Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Vallot and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept Chief Menard's recommendation to hire Farrell A. Bonin, Jr., as a full-time deputy to replace Deputy Shawn Broussard who has moved back to California. Passed unanimously (with Councilman Paul Huval arriving late at meeting).
8. At the request of Mayor Denais, in discussion, motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to amend the agenda tonight to add the Green T. Linden snake issue and Councilman Jesse Vallot to report on his trip to Birmingham, Alabama to promote/encourage retail business/economic development (strip mall) to establish in our community to increase sales tax collections. Passed unanimously (with Councilman Paul Huval arriving late at meeting).
 - (a) In reference to the snake problem, Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, has spoken to Vernal Comeaux, with the Lafayette Parish School Board. Vernal talked about setting some money aside in the budget to pipe the small ditch on the west side of Green T. Linden School and this was done to do the proposed work. Walter made reference to two (2) letters previously written to the parish asking for ditch cleaning assistance. Vernal Comeaux told Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, that they would clean and pipe the ditch on the right hand side of the school, which is on School Board property. There is a big ditch adjoining Foster Park on the left side and would like to pipe that ditch also and

thinks that the School Board would agree to a situation if the town would pay for half the pipe and they would pay for half the pipe and the town install the pipe and cover it up. Walter stated this conversation took place this afternoon and he did not get cost estimate for this proposed work. Underbrush is to be cleaned out which is next to the Foster Park Recreational Trails. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, needs to obtain a cost estimate for council consideration to be put on special meeting agenda with the Sales Tax Bond Issue. Governmental Agreement would be sent to us for Mayor's signature within two (2) days, assuming that the work would commence. Mayor Denais stated that he would like the parish to put the pipe in and cover the ditch up. Required drain boxes would need to be installed. Mayor Denais expressed the urgency in getting this project done to resolve/relieve this snake problem. Farmers want something done before the end of April for cane planting. Further discussion on tape.

(b) Councilman Jesse Vallot stated he had some good meetings with a lot of companies who were interested in establishing retail businesses to promote economic development in various communities/Verot School Road, which we are planning to annex into our corporate limits. Councilman Jesse Vallot will get with Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, and Municipal Clerk Becky Langlinais for maps and town information packets needed to send back to three (3) companies. Councilman Jesse Vallot stated that we need to look into strip-mall, accommodating five or six (5 or 6) businesses. Dollar General has spoken to a landowner in our town and is considering locating here.

9. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, updated the council on the following projects:

(a) In reference to the Sewer Plant Upgrade Project No. 2000-038, something/cleaning solution killed the bacteria in our sewer plant but is slowly coming back. D.E.Q. was called about this and we must keep them apprised.

(b) C.G. Logan Construction I processing extremely well on the L.U.S. 16" Waterline on Highway 89 North (Project No. 2000-108).

(c) On the Oakthorn Drainage Project No. 2000-111, resident Roy Allen Comeaux is insisting on sack revetment instead of the large rocks for erosion control/end treatment for culverts, which would increase the cost by approximately \$3,000.00, additionally. A little bit of work is remaining to be done on this project. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated in discussion that the drainage north of Oakthorn, the grades are good and we will observe this during the next couple of rains. Town Manager Charles Langlinais stated that the Oakthorn Subdivision is draining well and water is not backing up. The drainage project work has improved drainage flow, as Engineer Walter Comeaux, III projected.

In reference to sack revetment, Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated in discussion that from engineering prospective, he doesn't think sack revetment is warranted/not necessary. Councilwoman Yvonne King stated in discussion that she doesn't mind spending the extra money, because it was a fight and the work performed promoted drainage and people in Oakthorn are eased to let the water flow. After discussion, motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to spend the additional money on sack revetment instead of the rocks, (included in contract price), as requested by Roy Allen Comeaux, for his driveway. Hand vote taken with Councilman Paul Huval and Councilman Jesse Vallot voting against this matter. Councilwoman Yvonne King and Councilman Huey Romero voted in favor of this

motion. Mayor Denais stated that because of a new law, he can no longer break a tie, under the Larson Act. As a result the motion fails.

Councilwoman Yvonne King recognized and commended Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, for his diligent work on the Lateral No. 9 Drainage Project, promoting proper drainage flow/necessary improvement.

(d) In reference to the Foster Park Recreational Trails, a notice to proceed was issued, with construction contract signed and ready to go on April 1st, 2002.

10. Almonaster Road drainage was briefly discussed.
11. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Paul Huval to accept and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of February 21, 2002 and the Special Meeting of February 19, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Acting Mayor Paul Huval, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, , Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais, and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: Mayor Lucas Denais and Councilman/Mayor Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot.

GUESTS: Walter Comeaux, III, Tim Thibodeaux, and Ross Heard.

Mayor Denais called the special meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Brenda Burley to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. After properly advertising and bid opening on Wednesday, February 27, 2002, at the recommendation of Engineer Walter Comeaux III, motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to award the sewer plant upgrade contract to the lowest bidder R.L. Mixon Contractors, Inc. of Baton Rouge, LA, at the total bid price of \$1,747,000.00. Base bid was \$1,621,000.00 plus Alternate no. 1 for a mechanical bar screen at \$95,000.00 plus Alternate No. 2 for a portable emergency generator at \$31,000.00. Refer to bid tabulation information sheet for detailed figures on the eight (8) bids received. Discussion given on tape by Council and Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, on individual contractors bid/figures.

Authorization is given to the Acting Mayor to sign the Notice of Award, contingent on D.E.Q. approval and further authorized to enter into a contract with R.L. Mixon Contractors, Inc. for the construction of the Sewer Plant Upgrading (Project No. 2000-038), which is also subject to D.E.Q. approval.

Mentioned in discussion, was that any unexpected/additional work needed would need to be made by change order and would be brought before this Council for consideration or approval.

With no further business up for discussion, this special meeting was declared adjourned by Acting Mayor Paul Huval.

Paul Huval, Acting Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: None.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Bobby Francis, Chief Earl Menard, Walter Comeaux, III, Ross Heard, Tom Cook, Steve Merckle, Verna Romero, Wayne Landry, Mark J. Irwin, Don Clothier, Deborah Clothier, Carl Dautreive, Tony Romero, and David McCroskey.

Mayor Lucas Denais called the meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Brenda Burley to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Mayor Denais stated that we were premature in putting the acceptance of facilities in Southlake Plantation on the agenda tonight. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that Jeff Moss (attorney) is researching that this would need to be done by ordinance and we don't have one drawn up for introduction tonight. Attorney Jeff Moss will get with our Town Attorney Edward Broussard to figure out what needs to be done. No council action.
2. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to amend the agenda to add the Annexation of Benjamin Langlinais property, which was omitted by error in a previous annexation. Seconded by Councilman Huey Romero. Passed unanimously.

Mayor Denais was appraised by the engineers that we can actually introduce that ordinance tonight without actually having the copy of it and can be adopted (accepted/next month, if the council desires). Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to introduce Ordinance No. 247 to annex the Benjamin Langlinais property. Seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King. Passed unanimously.

3. Deborah Clothier and other residents from Twin Lakes Drive, who live adjacent to Southlake Plantation, were here tonight to address and express their serious concerns about flooding on their residential property since the development of (Cordell Castette's) Southlake Plantation. She further stated in discussion that it is not caused by tropical storms. It occurs during medium rainfall also. Southlake Plantation Subdivision was elevated two feet higher than their properties. Lengthy discussion on tape, with comments and questions asked to Engineer Walter Comeaux, III.

The Consolidated Parish Government has been contacted previously by these resident people concerning this problem, but nothing has been done and the parish suggested that permanent subsurface drainage be done. Southlake Plantation was annexed into our town corporate limits and that is why these resident people are here tonight to ask the town for help in finding a solution of this flooding/drainage problem. Lengthy discussion on tape of Twin Lakes Subdivision and Southlake Plantation. Photos of yard flooding submitted tonight. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, will check out this problem

and appraise the Mayor and Council, working along with the Parish in search of a solution.

4. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to approve the Systems Survey Compliance Questionnaire. Passed unanimously.
5. Chief Earl Menard addressed the council on his department's office rental renewal lease in May. He stated that he is located in the middle of the building with no front entrance. The front part of the building now has a vacancy. The Chief is asking the council to allow his department to lease the front (vacated) entrance, and give IBC Services the two offices now being used as the Chief's office and the reception office. The department would then be leasing the two offices in the front entrance, a restroom and reception area in the front, along with the middle back area. With this change, the monthly cost to IBC Services would be \$1500.00 and \$250.00 to Mozellis, Inc. This would require two checks a month totaling \$1,750.00 per month. Currently paying \$1668.00 to IBC Services monthly. Motion was made by Councilman Huey Romero and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept this new/changed lease proposal. Mayor Denais stated that he is looking for available dollars to build a Police Station and we have the property to build it on. Motion passed unanimously.
6. In reference to the ditch machine agenda item, Councilman Paul Huval briefed the council and stated that he and Town Manager Charles Langlinais are making inquiries with several machine organizations to get prices on lease to purchase or purchasing a machine so that we can start digging ditches throughout our town and to continuously do so for drainage improvements. Currently looking at a small subdivision ditch machine and not a large canal ditch machine, costing approximately \$50,000.00 to \$75,000.00. Paul will look into the other options and make recommendations to the council for consideration. No council action taken tonight. Councilwoman Brenda Burley asked that a cost analysis be done. She has concerns of labor, maintenance, liability costs, and all costs involved.
7. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, updated the council on the following projects:
 - (a) In reference to our current sewer plant upgrade Project No. 2000-038, a Notice of Award has been sent to the contractor with necessary paperwork being done to begin the one-year construction project.
 - (b) In reference to the L.U.S. 16" Waterline Project No. 2000-108, we are 47% complete, with the construction going well.
 - (c) The Oakthorn Drainage Project No. 2000-111 is complete and is no longer needed on agendas.
 - (d) The Foster Park Recreational Trails Project No. 2001-111 Contractor has been issued a Notice to Proceed with rainy conditions delaying. Project construction was to begin on April 1, 2002.
8. Audience member and N. Larriviere Road property owner, Steve Merckle addressed the Mayor, Council, and Engineer Walter Comeaux III, on drainage/flooding concerns/Coulee La Salle issues. Discussion on tape.

9. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 21, 2002 and the Special Meeting of April 2, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, MAY 9, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: None.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Chief Earl Menard, Walter Comeaux, III, Ross Heard, Wayne Landry, Richard Minvielle, Sissy Granger, Rory Dehart, Roy Allen Comeaux and Donald Simon.

Mayor Lucas Denais called the meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Yvonne King to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Mayor Denais stated that Senator Mike Michot was unable to be here tonight but sent all the paperwork for the Mayor to make the presentation on the Federal Funded \$235,000.00 for Sewer Improvements (FY '01 LCDBG) Grant. Included in the paperwork was a letter from Gov. Mike Foster, Jr., congratulating the Town of Youngsville. Mayor Denais thanked Engineer Richard Minvielle, who is our Grant Procurer. This sewer improvement grant money will be used to construct sewer system lines to the Randy Road/Maxie Duhon Road area, including a lift station, and upgrade sewer pump station No. 1 and No. 4.
2. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to adopt Ordinance No. 247 to annex the Ben Langlinais Property as described in Exhibit A. Seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King. Passed unanimously.
3. With Youngsville having some drainage problems, just as the rest of the Parish, as more houses are being built, Mayor Denais expressed concerns about this and met with Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, and as a result, they think retention lakes in subdivisions will help and stop some of the flooding problems. Mayor Denais formed a committee tonight, asking for volunteers (2 council members and at least three lay people) to work with our Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, to study retention lakes and make recommendations to the full council for consideration. Councilwoman Brenda Burley and Councilman Jesse Vallot volunteered to serve along with audience members, Ross Heard, Tim Thibodeaux, and Rory Dehart with Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, being the chairman. Mayor Denais stated that they are welcome to invite anyone else for input, if desired.

Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that he had a copy of new subdivision regulations that the Lafayette Consolidated Government is considering for adoption, having some provisions for retention lakes, which he and the committee can review/study. Lengthy discussion on type of retention lakes/looking into and possibly utilizing School Board Property for a 500 acre retention pond and recreational facility. Mayor Denais thanked everyone serving on the committee for volunteering.

4. In regards to flooding on Carmelite Circle, Mayor Denais sent the council copies of letters received from homeowner Cindy Jackson and "Jo-Jo" Philliber, business and homeowner, asking for assistance in finding a solution to their flooding problems. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, will start some survey work to tell us what needs to be done to try to alleviate that problem. Walter discussed a large-scale map he made showing Lafayette, Iberia, St. Martinville, and Vermilion Parish areas/Parc Perdue Coulee/Anselum Coulee/Coulee LaSalle.
5. Grant Engineer Richard Minville discussed six (6) resolutions to be considered for adoption tonight concerning the \$235,000.00 FY '01 LCDBG Grant. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to adopt Resolution No. 2002-004 authorizing the Mayor to sign and submit all necessary documents in connection with the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant; to adopt Resolution No. 2002-005 authorizing Town Officials/employees to sign request for payment forms and authorizing one individual to witness their signatures on the signature card relative to this grant; to adopt Resolution No. 2002-006 appointing Mayor Lucas Denais as Accessibility Compliance Officer and adopting a Section 504 Policy Statement for the LCDBG Grant; to adopt Resolution No. 2002-007 which adopts a Residential Anti-displacement and relocation assistance plan and appoints the Mayor as the Anti-displacement and Relocation Officer relative to this grant; to adopt Resolution No. 2002-008 adopting Procurement Procedures relative to this grant; to adopt Resolution No. 2002-009 appointing Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, for the FY 2001 LCDBG Grant. Motion passed unanimously.
6. In regards to previous complaints received about loud music/noise, Councilwoman Brenda Burley informed the Council about a Board Meeting (Lions/K.C. Hall), stating that she, as a Board Member, attended and reported that new double doors were installed, which are sound proof, replacing the single door in front of the building. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that all they can do is request that the doors remain closed during functions/events and cannot afford to hire a security guard for functions to police this. If the police department gets a complaint, they can go there and tell them to close the doors. No contracts are signed for function rentals. Comments and discussion given on tape. Noise ordinance discussed.
7. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, updated the council on the following projects:
 - (a) In reference to our current sewer plant upgrade Project No. 2000-038, D.E.Q. approval is needed and Walter hopes that by the next meeting he will have issued a notice to proceed to begin construction. Bank One Interim financing will be done on May 17, 2002 at Town Hall.
 - (b) The 16" Water Pipeline Project No. 2000-108, is now 70% complete, with the contractor using only 28% of his time. Fantastic job done! (Have received only two (2) complaints).
 - (c) Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, submitted poster board with photos taken of the Foster Park Recreational Trails (Project No. 2001-111.) Parking pipe removal discussed by Councilwoman Yvonne King.

8. Councilman Paul Huval inquired about the Green T. Linden ditch cleaning project. Vernal Comeaux with the School Board has gotten some price quotes and Walter thinks that they are waiting for school summer vacation to begin that work. Walter did some survey work and in the process of drafting that up for final design to proceed. Cost-sharing on 60" pipe is between the Town and the School Board, later coming to us with a proposal for council consideration.
9. Councilwoman Yvonne King discussed the Bayou Parc Perdue drainage work that has just been completed and asked if there would be any (FEMA) money available for flood relief for homes located on Détente Road for property elevation. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that there is money to elevate and also to buy out the property/home. FEMA will fund 75% of the cost. Further discussion on tape.
10. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 11, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Brenda Burley.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Chief Earl Menard, Walter Comeaux, III, Ross Heard, Rory Dehart, Roy Allen Comeaux, Wilson Viator, Tim Barbier, Jason & Tamica Theriot, Cory Theriot, Aaron Baudoin, Verna Romero, Bobby Frances, Mrs. Haslam, Tony & Kelli Romero, David H. McCroskey, Deborah Clothier, Carl Dautreuil, and Cindy Jackson.

1. After budget presentation was given by Burton Kolder, with Kolder, Champagne (et al) the regular meeting began with a discussion by Councilwoman Yvonne King stating that drainage digging should be handled by professionals at least for the first time of ditch-cleaning, asking that the \$80,000.00 be removed from our Capital Outlay Budget until we have ample information, then it can be addressed/considered. Motion made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero. Councilman Paul Huval suggested that we take that \$80,000.00 and add it to \$100,000.00, not the \$100,000.00 and leave it in the Budget and utilize the \$100,000.00 to get some ditches cleared by professional organizations; contract labor for streets and drainage; or to purchase a machine. Councilman Paul Huval amended the motion to leave the \$100,000.00 but at any time during the year we can purchase that machine. Burton Kolder stated that it is legal to amend the budget. Mayor Lucas Denais stated that we have a motion on the floor to remove the \$80,000.00 from Capital Outlay Budget and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero. Roll call taken with Councilman Paul Huval and Councilman Jesse Vallot voting against. Councilwoman Yvonne King and Councilman Huey Romero voting in favor. Mayor Denais stated that this was a mute point and he cannot break the tie. It is not approved. Burton Kolder stated that this is a legal issue. Mayor Denais will get an opinion from LMA and at any time we can amend the budget. Councilman Paul Huval said he made that motion that this ditch machine be the last item on the agenda tonight.
2. Councilwoman Yvonne King made the motion to add \$17,380.00 to the Fire Department Budget. (Contract labor additional \$12,080.00 along with the annual \$5,300 in donation from new millage figures). Also, \$10,000.00 for computer upgrade for hardware, software and installation of same. This does not include an accounting package. Councilman Huey Romero seconded. Passed unanimously.
3. Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Vallot and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to adopt Amended Budget Resolution No. 2002-011 which adopts an operating budget of revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2002. Passed unanimously.

4. Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Vallot and seconded by Councilman Paul Huval to adopt Resolution No. 2002-010 approving the budget for next year, as proposed it includes \$80,000.00 and \$235,000.00 in Sewer Improvement Grant and \$17,380.00 for Fire Department additional money and \$10,000.00 for computer upgrading modifications mentioned in discussions. Councilman Jesse rescinded his motion and can take up at the next meeting.

At this time, Mayor Denais asked Councilman Jesse Vallot to lead everyone in a Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance and again began the regular meeting.

5. Fire Chief Jason Simon gave a brief report on his department competition/\$25,000.00 Rural Development Grant Approval for radios/FEMA Grant for \$108,000.00 for miscellaneous equipment and truck/suburban/Acadian Ambulance and Fire Department response time on calls received.
6. Chief Earl Menard gave his recommendations on the hiring of a full-time deputy for his department. He recommended Carl Broussard and hired him as of June 1, 2002, since Captain Shane Landry resigned and he has two men out on workers' compensation injuries. Councilman Paul Huval made the motion to accept the chief's recommendation. Seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King. Passed unanimously.
7. In reference to the ditch digging (Green T. Lindon) bill received in the amount of \$7,655.00. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to split the bill three (3) ways between Young's Industries, The Town of Youngsville and Lafayette Parish School Board. Passed unanimously. Mayor Denais and Town Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed proposed additional work to be done.
8. (a) In reference to Chief Menard's recommendations on his department's pay increases; motion was made by Councilman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Paul Huval to accept his recommendations as per attachment. Passed unanimously.

(b) Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinois recommended a 5% pay increase for her office personnel. Mayor Denais recommended a 5% pay increase for Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinois. Town Manager Charles Langlinois recommended a 13% increase in pay for Jason Theriot and a 5% increase for other street personnel. Mayor Denais also recommended a 5% pay increase for Town Manager Charles Langlinois. Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Vallot and seconded by Councilman Paul Huval to accept these pay increases. Passed unanimously. Ordinance to be drawn up for introduction.
9. After discussion by Town Manager Charles Langlinois, motion was made by Councilman Huey Romero and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to approve the sac revetment cost of \$2,900.00 for the Roy Allen Comeaux drainage ditch for erosion control. Passed unanimously.
10. Councilman Huey Romero discussed the Twin Lakes Subdivision drainage problem since the development of Southlake Plantation. There were many concerned residents of Twin Lakes Subdivision who were present tonight to discuss the issue in search of a drainage problem solution. Lengthy discussion given on tape. Submitted tonight was a letter from John Raines, Director of Public Works, dated June 13, 2002, stating that an inspection of this area was made by Robert Benoit, Bill Campbell and himself. He states in the letter that the ditch could be deepened some, but that the Lafayette Consolidated

Government will be surveying and investigating the need for improving the ditch which crosses the highway that traverses Flander's Garden to determine improvements needed, if any, within thirty (30) days. Councilman Huey Romero submitted pictures, taken on same and discussed this issue. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to table this matter until the Mayor calls a special meeting and invite developer, Lafayette Consolidated Government people, and others involved to attend and discuss the matter further. Comments and questions are given on tape. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed his drainage impact study done on (Southlake Plantation) Subdivision; being the Engineer on that subdivision development. Outfall ditch cleaning discussed. Councilman Huey Romero stated that he would follow up with Public Works Director John Raines (LCG) and get back with these residents. Waiting on the LCG to investigate this and determine improvements needed, if any.

11. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, updated the council on the Sewer Plant Upgrade Project No. 2000-038, the 16" Water Pipeline Project No. 2000-108, Foster Park Recreational Trails Project No. 2001-111, Oakthorn Drainage and Hwy. 92 Culvert Replacement Project No. 2000-111 and the L.C.D.B.G. Sewer Improvements/Grant on Hwy. 92 West, Randy & Maxie Duhon Road area.
12. The Mayor, Council, and others left the meeting room to go outside to see a mini excavator brought to Town Hall from Head & Engquist Equipment, L.L.C. for a demonstration for possible purchase, leasing or rental of same. The mini excavator can be purchased for \$62,900.00 or a 3-year-lease with an annual payment of \$14,992.00 with maintenance requirements every 250,500 and 1000 hours performed, approximately \$200 every four (4) months on the average. Rental cost is \$2,500.00 monthly. Councilman Paul Huval stated that his motion is that if we don't purchase the machine, which he would like to do, that we appropriate the \$100,000.00 in the budget for drainage cleaning, at anytime during that year we can utilize those monies to buy this machine but it would have to come before the council for approval of the purchase. Councilwoman Yvonne King seconded for discussion. Drainage work costs/ projects, etc., was discussed by Councilwoman Yvonne King. Passed unanimously.
13. Councilman Jesse Vallot made the motion to remove the \$80,000.00 from the Capital Outlay Budget for a ditch digging machine. Seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King. Passed unanimously.
14. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to rent the mini excavator for one month at a cost of \$2,500.00 and come back to the council for consideration. Passed unanimously.

Brief discussion given on water tower maintenance/repair work needed in the near future at an estimated cost of \$150,000.00.
15. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept and approve the minutes as typed of the regular meeting of May 9, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**MINUTES OF THE BUDGET HEARING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 13, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: Councilwoman Brenda Burley and Councilman Paul Huval.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Chief Earl Menard, Walter Comeaux, III, Ross Heard, Rory Dehart, Wilson Viator, Tim Barbier, and Mrs. Haslam.

Budget Hearing was held tonight. Burton Kolder with Kolder, Champagne, et al was present to discuss the proposed budget figures fore the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003 and the current budgeted figures of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002. Budget packets included anticipated revenues and expenditures for all funds (General, Sales Tax, Debt Service, Capital Projects and Utility Funds). Discussion given on tape of the actual 2001 figures, estimated 2002 figures and projected figures for the fiscal year ending 2003. Refer to budget packet of figures/information. Detailed budgeted figures were discussed by Burton Kolder, Mayor Denais, and the Council. Please review tape. Mentioned in discussion and included in the budget was a five percent (5%) pay increase of employees.

As modified in discussion, included in the Capital Outlay Budget (2003 in the General Fund, is an automobile for the Police Department for \$25,000 (General Fund Revenues); \$10,000.00 on computer equipment (Administrative Department) includes hardware, software and installation (General Fund Revenues); and the fire truck annual payment to the Youngsville Fire Department in the amount of \$20,000.00 (General Fund Revenues). In the Utility Fund Capital Outlay Budget, \$235,000.00 (LCDBG Grant) is included for a sewer extension on Hwy. 92 West Randy & Maxie Duhon Road; 4.8 mile of 16" waterline to Pinhook Road at \$300,000.00 from state grant for the year ended 6/30/03; and a waterline extension in the amount of \$270,000.00 (Utility Fund Revenues and State Grant). The total General Fund Capital Outlay is \$55,000.00. The total Utility Fund Capital Outlay is \$805,000.00. Total of all Capital Outlay is \$860,000.00 (with modifications).

Burton then discussed the General Fund Revenues with the actual 2001 figure at \$847,150.00. The estimated 2002 figure is \$819,999.00 (modified), and the 2003 budget figure is \$746,000.00. Also discussed, were the total actual expenditures for the General Fund for 2001 is \$913,827.00. The estimated 2002 figure is \$1,107,576.00 (modified), and the budgeted 2003 figure is \$1,127,230.00 (modified).

Burton then discussed the General Fund Budget expenditures with the actual 2001 total figure at \$309,682.00; the estimated 2002 figure is \$364,967.00 and the 2003 budgeted figure at \$388,100.00 (Total General Government). Police Protection Budget expenditures total for 2001 actual figure is \$373,676.00. The 2002 total estimated figure is \$398,141.00 and the 2003 budgeted figure is \$421,450.00. Fire Protection actual 2001 expenditures were \$13,580.00; the estimated 2002 figure is \$14,265.00 and the 2003 budgeted figure is \$31,880.00 (modified). As discussed in this hearing, was to add an additional \$12,080.00 for fire department contract/labor services and additional \$5,300.00 in donation for new millage

figures. Total Public Safety actual figures for 2001 is \$387,256.00; the estimated 2002 figure is \$412,406.00 and the modified 2003 budget figure is \$453,330.00.

In the Street and Drainage Departments last year \$104,433.00 was spent; the 2002 estimated figure is \$178,879.00. The 2003 budgeted modified figure is \$230,800.00, which includes \$100,000.00 for ditch cleaning professional services or purchase of a ditch machine (which must come before the council for consideration). Mayor Denais had included in the budget \$80,000.00 for street equipment (ditch cleaning machine). Total 2001 actual expenditures are \$913,827.00; the estimated 2002 expenditures is \$1,032,576.00. (Modified figure is \$1,107,576.00). The 2003 budget figure on total expenditures discussed was \$1,079,850.00 (modified figure is \$1,127,230.00).

Burton made reference to page 6 of the budget, which is a summary of the General Fund Total Revenues last year, 2001 actual figures at \$847,150.00; the 2002 estimated figures at \$774,999.00 (modified to \$819,999.00), and the 2003 budget total revenues figure is \$746,000.00. The General Fund total expenditures last year was \$913,827.00; the 2002 estimated figure of total expenditures is \$1,039,576.00 (modified to \$1,107,576.00) and the 2003 budget to total expenditures is \$1,079,850.00 (modified to \$1,127,230.00). Burton stated that the deficiency of revenue last year was \$66,000.00 before transfer made. This year anticipated to be \$264,577.00 (modified to \$287,577.00) and next year \$333,850.00 (modified to \$381,230.00). Transfers need to be made back to the General Fund. Last year \$86,000.00 was transferred from the Utility Fund, leaving a surplus of 19,323.00 for the year ending fund balance of \$438,569.00, actual for last year (2001). In the year 2002, we transferred \$270,000.00 having a \$5,423.00 excess, giving an ending fund balance of \$443,992.00. Next year (2003) we will transfer in \$340,000.00 and looks like we will have a surplus of \$6,150.00 in the General Fund, giving a surplus of \$450,142.00.

Further discussion on Sales Tax Fund Budget from the 1966 1 cent tax and the 1999 ½ cent Sales Tax. Burton discussed the summary of revenues and expenditures, figures given on tape. Note that there are no figures in the Debt Service Fund Budget because there are no general obligation debts, the only debts we have are in the Utility Fund.

Making reference to Page 14, Burton discussed the Capital Projects Funds for the year ended June 30, 2003 and the Utility Fund Budget (water, sewer and sanitation departments). Total actual revenues in 2001 are \$820,492.00; the estimated 2002 figure is \$835,294.00, and the 2003 budgeted total revenue is \$849,700.00. The total expenses in 2001 are \$800,098.00. The estimated 2002 expenses are \$814,092.00 and the 2003 budgeted total expenses are \$830,550.00. Detailed figures discussed by Burton Kolder. The 2001 actual fund equity ending is in the amount of \$666,742.00. The 2002 estimated figure is \$732,916.00 and the 2003 budgeted figure is \$778,729.00.

Burton then discussed the total consolidated budget figure in all funds, giving the 2001 actual figures, the 2002 estimated figures, and 2003 budget figures on revenues and expenditures. Total revenues in the 2003 budget are \$2,730,200.00, and the total expenditures are \$2,576,497.00 leaving us with a surplus anticipated to be \$153,703.00. Burton discussed transfers from one fund to the next. The net surplus last year was \$388,155.00, leaving a total fund balance for this Town of \$1,525,138.00. This year it is anticipated that we will have a surplus of \$215,939.00, leaving us with a fund balance of \$1,786,077.00 and next year, 2003, budgeted, we are anticipating that the surplus will be a little less at \$153,703.00, leaving an ending fund balance of \$1,984,790.00. Mayor Denais stated that we are in the State Capital Outlay Budget for 5.5 million to build a road south of Youngsville (outer belt) and if that comes about all these revenues will balloon.

Councilwoman Yvonne King stated that she had a problem with the \$80,000.00 in the Street Capital Outlay Budget. Burton stated that this could be changed in the regular meeting following this hearing. Town Manager Charles Langlinais answered questions on the ditch machine usage and street personnel. Councilwoman Yvonne King expressed concerns we don't have the manpower (professionally) to clean ditches. Further discussion on tape with comments and questions given.

Fire Chief Jason Simon addressed the council on medical certification/fire rating/insurance savings and his proposal. He is asking for financial assistance to be included in the budget. \$5,300.00 in donation from new millage figures and an additional \$12,080.00 for contract labor, adding an additional \$17,380.00 to the Fire Department Budget. Refer to attachments given to Council tonight and discussion on tape. Kay Haslam commended the Fire Department for their speedy response to a fire call to her house. She was very appreciative.

Computer Consultant Tim Thibodeaux is asking also for Council approval to include in the budget, \$10,000.00 for computer upgrade (replacement) for hardware, software, and installation of same. Discussion on tape. Mayor Denais stated that if the Council desires, it could be added during the regular meeting following this hearing.

With no further business up for discussion, this budget hearing was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais and he began the regular monthly meeting.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY JUNE 20, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais, and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: Mayor Lucas Denais and Councilman Paul Huval.

GUESTS: None.

Mayor Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot called the special meeting to order and asked Councilman Huey Romero to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to adopt Resolution No. 2002-010 approving the budget relative to the operating budget revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2002 and ending June 30, 2003, with the stipulation pertaining to the \$100,000.00 in the drainage, that it can be used on contract service which would be minimal rental of the machine or contract labor, and if the machine is either leased, leased purchased, or purchased, this must come back before the Council for a vote. Mayor Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot stated that this was agreed upon at the last meeting. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that we want this in the record. Passed unanimously.

2. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to introduce Ordinance No. 248 increasing the salaries of town employees as indicated in the ordinance. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this special meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Pro Tempore Jesse Vallot.

Jesse Vallot, Mayor Pro Tempore
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: None.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Walter Comeaux, III, Ross Heard, Rory Dehart, Marian Francis, W.C. Landry, Wilson Viator, Tim Barbier, Aaron Baudoin, Verna Romero, Bobby Frances, Kay Haslam, A.J. Bernard, Norbert Krieg, Donald Simon, Jason Simon, Cindy & Walter Jackson, Annette Tripkovich, JoJo Philliber, Kerry Derouen, Charles Landry, Ron, Vickie, & Kelly Woosley, John C. Broussard, Gerald Cashat, Tom Turk, Gene Coussan, Leonil & Gen Gerard.

Mayor Lucas Denais called the meeting to order and asked Councilman Paul Huval to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Town Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed survey work done on the flooding problem on Carmelite Circle off of Fortune Road in our town limits. Recently, the Parish has cleaned a lateral ditch which connects Coulee LaSalle, Parc Perdue, and Anselm Coulee, which was highly silted up, from Chemin Metairie on the west side all the way to Fortune Road, across Bonin and further East, behind the Daycare. Walter stated that this may help Carmelite Circle. Walter will make a recommendation on the cross-section from LA 89, Coulee LaSalle section, up to where the Parish cleaned the Coulee, and will recommend what needs to be done. Mayor Denais stated the Town Manager will walk it and find out what the drainage water flow obstruction is. Mentioned in discussion was that (6 ft. tall) staff gauges would be placed at different points to measure the flow of water and shoot elevations, when it rains they will be monitored. Walter stated that he hopes to have results of his survey to make recommendations at the next meeting to address the problem. Refer to tape for lengthy discussion given by JoJo Philliber and other residents, Engineer Walter Comeaux and the Town Council.
2. In reference to the request made by Copperfield Developer John C. Broussard on the waiver of sidewalks construction and 10 foot setback proposal instead of 20 foot setbacks in the Village at Copperfield residential development, after lengthy discussion, motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilman Jesse Vallot to accept this, waivering the sidewalks and go with the 10 foot set back instead of 20 foot in that subdivision development. Passed unanimously.
3. In reference to retention ponds/drainage committee meeting which was held on Tuesday, June 18, 2002, Councilwoman Brenda Burley introduced the members present at that meeting who served on that committee and are here tonight, Walter Comeaux III (chairperson), Councilman Jesse Vallot, resident person Rory Dehart, Ross Heard, Tim Thibodeaux, and herself. The minutes of that meeting were discussed by Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, defining the three stages proposed. The first stage should be to create a drainage complaint protocol to present to the Town Council for their approval. The second stage would be to propose an ordinance concerning new development to the council. The third stage would concern the (regional) retention lake. Mayor Denais asked if there were any more questions or discussions regarding the retention ponds. Wilson Viator asked "I would like to ask Walter a question on the retention ponds?"

Walter, on the ponds that are being constructed in Copperfield South and Field Crest, these are really not retention ponds right? Walter stated yes they are. And he explained that they are engineered to retain this water. As stated by Walter, there are two variations. One variation is called dry retention and one that's called wet retention. In most of the subdivisions, we do wet retentions. Engineer Walter Comeaux, II, submitted a form for reporting and making formal written complaints to be filled out by the land or homeowner. Pictures should accompany a form if possible and should be dated and exact location noted. These complaints should be ranked according to severity. After lengthy discussion, motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to accept and use this drainage complaint form. Councilwoman Yvonne King seconded. Passed unanimously. Discussed by Engineer Walter Comeaux, III was dry and wet retention ponds and flooding.

4. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to amend the agenda tonight to add and discuss resident people complaints about numerous thefts, burglaries, juvenile problems (Fleur de Lis Estates area) next to T & M Mobile Home Park. Passed unanimously

Miles Peterson and many resident people were here tonight to express concerns/complaints on numerous thefts, burglaries, and street loitering (day and night) occurring in their neighborhood. Some juveniles are involved, arrests are being made, and they are released and the same thing continues to happen. Miles stated in discussion that the Chief knows these people and so does the Lafayette Parish Sheriff Department and State Police. Asking the council on what can be done to stop this problem before anyone gets hurt. Neighborhood watch/curfews also discussed. Councilwoman Yvonne King suggested that the resident people here tonight meet with the Chief and Police Committee. Increased patrolling in that area may help. The Council agreed that the resident people here tonight meet next week with Chief Menard and Police Committee and invite Sheriff Department supervisor/representative and Juvenile Division representative, and Parish Councilman Randy Menard, to discuss and resolve this matter and work things out.

5. Mayor Denais addressed the Council on a joint venture/intergovernmental agreement/proposal for consideration tonight for construction of a sandbag/emergency station to be located on Albertson Parkway in the Town of Broussard. The Town of Broussard will provide two men to man the facility after hours, if needed. Asking that our town pay half of the building construction and equipment there for sandbags. Cost of approximately \$5,000.00. Mayor Denais and Council discussion is on tape. Councilman Paul Huval made the motion to accept this proposal with Councilman Jesse Vallot seconding that motion. Councilwoman Brenda Burley questioned how long the Agreement would be for and Mayor Denais stated in discussion that it could be for as long as we want and the building would be for both the Town of Youngsville and the Town of Broussard (joint venture). Hand-vote taken with Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilwoman Brenda Burley and Councilman Paul Huval in favor. Councilman Huey Romero and Councilwoman Yvonne King voting against this motion. Motion carried.
6. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilman Jesse Vallot to add to the Agenda tonight, the ditch digging machine/mini-excavator, along with the hiring of two (2) street employees. Passed unanimously. Town Manager Charles Langlinois stated that we rented the machine for thirty (30) days and he has information to give to the council, giving roadside ditch footage done and cost of it. It was used for 27 hours because of rain, doing 7/10th of a mile of roadside ditch (3,696 ft. x \$3.00 if he

hires a contractor), and rented a dump truck, the Street Supervisor, and two (2) flagmen, and doubled the operator's pay to take care of the overhead which comes out to \$4,498.00 by doing it ourselves with the machine rental fee of \$2,500.00 included, (approximately \$1.22 per foot) versus hiring a contractor at \$3.00 a foot. Town Manager Charles Langlinais wanted to know what the council wishes to do concerning the machine; lease, rent, purchase or turn in. Town Manager Charles Langlinais recommended that we do a lease agreement to keep the machine and we still need to hire two (2) men because of the grass-cutting situation. In discussion, Councilwoman Brenda Burley was assured at salary increase review time by Town Manager Charles Langlinais that he would not need to hire any more people. Town Manager Charles Langlinais stated that when this was discussed at Councilwoman Brenda Burley's house, he was trying to keep the budget in line and it wasn't raining at that time. At this point and time, the grass is growing profusely and grass-cutting is behind. Town Manager Charles Langlinais recommended a temp service. After lengthy discussion, motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilman Jesse Vallot to authorize the Mayor and Town Manager to make the decision in the temporary staffing to hire two (2) temporary street workers. Passed unanimously. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval to go out for bids to purchase a mini excavator. Paul stated that "if you are a good maintenance person and you keep your tractor, (I mean Wilson can say that), you purchase and maintenance your own product it should last more than three years correct?" Wilson said, "it should." "But you are looking at a track machine and that's what bad about a track machine, I asked these gentlemen the other night when they were demonstrating it how much the track out cost on the machine and they couldn't answer me. I know that when we do track jobs on our combines, which are a little larger than this machine, I just did one and it cost me \$12,000.00." The sales person said he didn't remember being asked that question but that this machine maintenance would cost about \$6,000.00 (that includes the tracks, rails, rotors, etc.). Wilson asked if that was labor included and the response was yes. He then stated that "well I think that the Council needs to know that then." The sales person stated that the Town would not be putting the stress on this machine and Wilson Viator said "Well, no you're not going to be putting the stress on this machine that I do on mine." Motion failed due to lack of a second to it. Motion made by Councilman Jesse Vallot to lease (3-year) the mini excavator that we have now at the given prices. Councilman Paul Huval seconded for discussion. Councilwoman Yvonne King stated in discussion that she wanted to see the analysis that was requested three (3) meetings ago. Lengthy discussion on tape. Hand-vote taken with Councilman Jesse Vallot and Councilman Paul Huval in favor and Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero and Councilwoman Brenda Burley voting against this motion. Motion fails. Councilwoman Yvonne King made the motion to rent this machine for one more month and hopefully we will have more than 27 hours on it giving a better overlook and justifying spending the \$60,000.00 on purchasing a machine. Councilman Huey Romero wants closer cost figures/comparison chart/in writing. Councilman Huey Romero seconded. Passed unanimously.

7. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed the Sewer Plant Upgrade Project; the 16" Waterline Project; water production/pressure and town/L.U.S. service area; the L.C.D.B.G. Sewer Improvement Grant Project and the Green T. Lindon School Drainage Project. In reference to the proposed drainage culvert piping, Walter stated that the School Board is proposing that the Town of Youngsville put 60" piping and split the cost in half between the Town and the School Board. Estimated at \$40,000 (\$20,000 each). Waiting on the School Board letter with a proposal for council consideration.

8. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept and approve the minutes as typed of the Budget Hearing of June 13, 2002, the regular meeting of June 13, 2002, and the Special Meeting of June 20, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN
COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilwoman Brenda Burley (arrived late), Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: None.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Walter Comeaux, III, Rory Dehart, Bobby Francis, W.C. Landry, Wilson Viator, Tim Barbier, Aaron Baudoin & Cindy, Verna Romero, Chief Earl Menard, A.J. Bernard, Jason Simon, Cindy & Walter Jackson, JoJo Philliber, A.R. Broussard, Deborah Turk, Ross & Catherine Heard, Brenda Langlinais, Dale Langlinais, Roy Broussard, Susan Theall, E.J. Abshire, Brenda David, Stephanie Jumonville, Perry Wilson, Linda Fox, John Rentrop, and John Duck.

Mayor Lucas Denais called the meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Yvonne King to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Perry Wilson from Copperfield South Subdivision was present tonight to address the Mayor and Town Council on his concerns about stop sign and speeding violators, all day long, but especially between the hours of 6:15-8:00 AM and between 4:30-6:00 PM. Asking for law enforcement and increased patrol. Chief Menard addressed this issue and stated that he would send someone (a deputy) in that area tomorrow morning. Review tape for discussion.
2. Councilwoman Yvonne King made the motion to amend the Agenda to add two things, Atlas Road and streetlights. Councilman Huey Romero seconded that motion. Passed unanimously. Councilwoman Brenda Burley was not present to vote.
3. Susan Theall was present tonight to address everyone on her candidacy for Family Court District Judge Division H, in the upcoming October 5th election. She introduced herself and discussed her personal background and professional career, asking for support/vote. Mayor Denais thanked her for coming tonight.
4. (a) In the Atlas Road matter, Councilwoman Yvonne King stated that resident Dale Langlinais was here tonight for council approval on a subdivision sign (Dauphine Estates) placement on a staked area at the entrance of Atlas Road, since the Atlas Road sign is hard for emergency vehicles to see it. They will put up the sign and maintain it. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that they make sure that it is far enough to see oncoming traffic and must call Dottie before installation. The Town will put up larger Atlas Road sign. Council is in agreement.

(b) Councilwoman Yvonne King brought out in discussion that the Dauphine/Atlas Residents have been incorporated approximately four (4) years ago and residents are still paying for street lighting and thinks that the Town should be paying for this since we pay for all other street lighting. Town Manager Charles Langlinais stated that the street lights must be turned around facing the street and additional lights were added, as requested. Councilman Paul Huval suggested that residents submit a petition. Councilwoman Yvonne King stated that South Fork and Carmelite street lighting electric should be paid by the Town also. Mayor Denais stated that if the customers on Atlas

Road want the Town to pay for street lighting, the lights must be turned towards the street. Mayor Denais will have Entergy look at Atlas Road and they have some criteria on where to put the lights. The town has an ordinance on same. The Town will get back to Atlas Road residents and they can decide whether they want to turn these lights around so that the Town can pay for street lighting. Town Manager Charles Langlinais will handle this matter.

5. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Jesse Vallot to adopt Ordinance No. 248 on employee salary increases. Passed unanimously. Councilwoman Brenda Burley not present to vote.
6. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval to accept Chief Menard's recommendation to hire Iain Deckard as a full-time replacement deputy, (effective July 24, 2002). Seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King. Motion passed unanimously with Councilwoman Brenda Burley not present to vote. At this time, Councilwoman Brenda Burley arrived at the meeting.
7. (a) Town Manager Charles Langlinais discussed mini-excavator work done, stating that we dug 2.3 miles of ditch this time at a running price per foot of .66-.67 cents. Town costs include machine rental, operator pay, overhead and dump truck rental. Refer to attachment for comparison costs on roadside ditch maintenance/contractor prices. Lengthy discussion on tape. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval to purchase the machine for the Town of Youngsville. Councilwoman Yvonne seconded that motion for discussion. The \$25,000.00 grant application for mini-excavator purchase was discussed by Town Manager Charles Langlinais. Discussion given on rental/leasing of machine and on ditch/coulee cleaning. Council vote taken with motion passing unanimously. Mayor stated that we now have to go out for bids, advertising for thirty (30) days, approximately forty-five (45) days total. Mayor Denais stated we can work something out to keep the machine on sight and keep the council apprised. It will take about a week to put the specs together and advertise the week after next.

(b) Mayor Denais will back off on the resolution for financial assistance/grant for \$25,000.00 for purchase of mini-excavator and talk to Grant Engineer Richard Minvielle on how we can apply the money for \$25,000.00; possibly a dump truck purchase. No action taken tonight on this resolution and Mayor will report back at the next meeting.
8. In reference to the abandon old house located at 304 First Street, Mayor Denais stated that the property owner finally accepted the Certified Mail letter and was supposed to be here tonight. Now we will follow the ordinance and if we don't get the proper response, then the town will go in and demolish and clean the lot up and place a lien on the property.
9. (a) In reference to the Sewer Plant Project No. 2000-038, an inspection was done by D.E.Q. and the construction is proceeding satisfactorily.

(b) On the 16" Waterline Project No. 2000-108, the waterline construction work is complete and the tie-in was made on both ends and the line has been filled with water and flushed, bacteria testing and pressure testing required.

(c) Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed excess monies from the State Water Line Funding stating that we can extend waterlines down Fortune Road, to service Carmelite,

Atlas and South Fork and go as far as the money will take us and the state concurs with this, interconnecting with the 16" waterline.

(d) Vermilion Circle water contamination discussed by Engineer Walter Comeaux, III stating that these residents are in line for a Block Grant for a waterline extension and preliminary indications are that we will get the grant.

(e) In reference to the LCDBG Grant for Sewer Improvements on Hwy. 92 West and Randy Road, we will receive bids a week from tomorrow. Project approximate cost of \$260,000.00.

10. (a) In reference to Beau Jardin drainage, an existing ditch was previously enlarged and straightened out, but there is a low spot/ditch on Nicole and Maureen about half way down between Durel Drive and Hwy. 89, there are some internal pipes which are possibly undersized. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, will do a drainage analysis/inner subdivision and report back to the council. Further discussion on tape. Motion was made by Councilman Jesse Vallot and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to allow Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, to do this drainage survey in Beau Jardin Subdivision. Passed unanimously. (Councilwoman Brenda Burley left meeting room and did not vote on this issue).

(b) Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed Parc Perdue Minor Lateral (Oakthorn Subdivision area) drainage analysis he was asked to do and gave an opinion of the cost to clean out/excavate and price includes revetment and pipe at an estimated cost of \$55,900.00. Walter stated that there is heavy growth in it and then he asked audience member Wilson Viator, Jr., how long had it been since it was cleaned. Wilson then responded probably around 20-25 years. Walter stated there are culverts, field crossings for the farmers to access through farming property, but for example, the outfall pipe going into Parc Perdue is 12" diameter plastic pipe. Based on standard procedure used on drainage ditches, on a 10-year design, it would need to be 54" pipe, which would benefit that area. He discussed his cost estimate figures. He also stated that if we don't have a drainage easement to maintain it, that we do acquire one 20 foot easement from the bank on both sides for herbicide and regular maintenance. Wilson Viator, Jr. then made a suggestion and showed on Walter's map, that you might not be able to do that. It is the Blount's that own that property and there are some Oak trees that are 300 years old and they are the same people that they did not want to scratch that oak (damage), so you know what they will say on these big oaks. Wilson suggested and asked if there would be a problem in coming and straightening the ditch out, saving some tree-cutting (near Hawk Pipe Yard) if the property owner agrees. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that he does not have a problem with that and it would kind of solve things if the property owner agrees but if we do something like that, then we need to get permanent easement. Walter says 54" pipe/4-1/2 foot in diameter/6 or 7 feet knee deep and we can do that work with our machine, as stated in the discussion. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Jesse Vallot to give Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, some latitude and come back with some solid estimates, as stated by Mayor Denais. Audience member Francis Rivette, suggested that if we clean that out it needs to be done all the way, right there behind Copperfield, because there is a lot of trash in there and it is pitiful. Councilman Huey Romero stated we need to start somewhere. Mayor Denais stated Walter Comeaux, III, will work on this and figure some cost savings and report back. Vote taken with all in favor and Councilman Huey Romero stating that only if we go all the way across. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, then mentioned that there is an area with a dry-ramp/no

culvert underneath it along Hwy. 92 across the street from Dewey's Bar and there is a pooling of water. At the Mayor's request, Walter is to get a State Permit to put a pipe in there and on (Bonin and Hwy 92) not having any water flow on the west side of Hwy. 92.

(c) Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed his Fortune Road drainage analysis/Carmelite Circle and studied the channel from Hwy. 89 to where it ties into Parc Perdue. The Town received several drainage complaint forms and met with Mr. Philliber out there. Walter verified that there is a 6 ft. boxed culvert under Hwy. 89 where LaSalle Coulee meets the highway and water should flow both ways, east and west, but the flow is predominately west which adds to the flooding problem of Carmelite Circle. Walter recommends that the Mayor send a letter to Lafayette Consolidated Government since it is their ditch (section) and is silted up and should be cleaned. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, spoke to Bill Campbell about this. Walter recommends resizing several culverts in the town limits along LaSalle Coulee and also the culvert under Fortune Road. Walter Comeaux, III, gave his cost estimate in the amount of \$102,000.00 for clearing/excavation/revetment/pipe. Mayor Denais asked Walter if there would be a simple quick fix to give some relief without having to spend \$102,000.00. Walter said he can change the 48" to a 60" and there is a double 32" there that can be changed out. Refer to tape for further discussion.

In discussion, Mayor Denais stated that if the council goes along with that, let Walter go in there and try to remove those 48" and Councilman Huey Romero can talk to Dennis Leger with Cabinets Plus to move the fence back to remove the culverts and go in there and clean out to give us some immediate relief without going through the other \$102,000.00 process. Mayor Denais asked Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, to do a quick fix for relief and then go for the long-range. Mayor Denais will write a letter to Walter Comeaux, Lafayette Consolidated Government President, to clean out the other side. Wilson Viator then stated that Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, was right and this is the beginning of LaSalle Coulee, and that coulee has been dug twice by the parish in the last 15 years and the reason is that coulee is silting up, and he said it when he was on the council and says it again, LeTriomphe has the south coulee dammed off where water cannot flow and holds water and when it does, it floods Youngsville. St. Martin Parish allows this and that is why Lafayette Parish has had to dig LaSalle Coulee twice already in the last 15 years and needs to be dug again. Walter stated that after Allison, they found a bunch of beaver dams. Mayor Denais stated that Walter, the big boy, the premier Walter, has instructed his people that he wants Lafayette Parish Parc Perdue cleaned out. Mayor Denais will work something out with Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, on Carmelite Circle and keep these residents apprised of what we are doing.

11. Councilwoman Yvonne King congratulated the L.M.A. Golf Team who represented Youngsville for coming out second and played very well. She further stated that Youngsville is a member of the L.M.A. (Louisiana Municipal Association) and at the Annual Awards Program, they recognize municipalities for outstanding achievements in basic services, community development, and economic development. Councilwoman Yvonne King stated that she was proud to accept honorable mention for the Town of Youngsville for the Community Achievement Awards which was the 1.4 million dollar water line from L.U.S. down Hwy. 89 to Youngsville. Yvonne presented the plaque to Mayor Denais. Mayor Denais then stated that this was presented to him but the Council is what got this work done. Mayor Denais said he was proud of this too.

12. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to accept and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 11, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilwoman Brenda Burley Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: None.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Walter Comeaux, III, Wilson Viator, Verna Romero, A.J. Bernard, Jason Simon, Joey Langlinais, Ross Heard, Toni Thibodeaux, Jason Stutes, Brenda Langlinais, John Duck, Gloria Cabrol, Wilson Viator, Jr., Don Duhon, Clifton Hulin, Atlas Road residents, Art Thibodeaux, Jeanie Wilson, Mark Wilson, Kay Haslam, Kay Gibson, David Blanchard, George Knox, Dale Langlinais.

Mayor Lucas Denais called the meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Brenda Burley to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Mayor Denais entertained a motion to amend the agenda to add Atlas Road Residents who want to address this council, introduction of Ordinance No. 249 Regulating drainage systems on dumping of concrete, and Tim Thibodeaux's cabling report. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilman Jesse Vallot to amend the agenda. Passed unanimously.
2. Tim Thibodeaux discussed his cabling report given to the council tonight which pertains to the computer job/installations at town hall. Cost of \$10,000.00, included in the budget. Council may read this at their leisure time.
3. Mayor Denais and council discussed the proposed drainage systems Ordinance No. 249 relating to the prohibiting of dumping of concrete by contractors, etc., into our town drainage system. With development of new subdivisions, videotaping of drainage system is to be given to our town engineer for approval and acceptance, at developer's cost as indicated in the ordinance. Anyone who violates this ordinance shall be fined \$1,000.00. The Mayor and Council discussed this matter and motion was made by Councilman Jesse Vallot and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to introduce Ordinance No. 249. Passed unanimously. Discussion is given on tape.
4. Candidates in the upcoming October 5th Election were here tonight to speak to everyone. Present, at this meeting, was Kay Gibson who is seeking re-election and asking for support and vote for School Board Member mentioning that our schools have made a lot of progress with student test scores exceeding the state and National Average. Another thing is that 5 schools were built along with small alternative schools/boot camps/vocational schools, uniform program was also implemented. Finally, Kay stated that the 40-year-old desegregation law suit is within a few months of being resolved; with no cross-town bussing. Kay wished everyone the best of luck who is seeking election/re-election. With no questions from the audience, applause was given to her.

David Blanchet was also present tonight to address everyone on his candidacy for Family Court Judge Division H. He discussed some personal background and his qualifications, while also discussing family court. He has 22 years of legal experience, Board Certified as a Family Law Specialist in 1995. His practice has focused on family law, and has the most legal experience than any candidate in the race. He was also instrumental in the formation of our Family Court. He has been married for 19 years to the former Paula Woodson and has a daughter Michelle

who is 15 years-old. David is dedicated to improving our judicial system and is asking for consideration/support in the upcoming October 5th Election, wishing everyone the best of luck in the election. Everyone applauded and Mayor thanked him for coming tonight.

5. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to adopt Resolution No. 2002-012, making application for a \$25,000.00 Rural Development Grant for water plant (disinfecting) improvements. Passed unanimously.
6. Councilwoman Brenda Burley discussed the drainage committee meeting which was held on Thursday, August 29, 2002. During flooding situations, additional support and manpower is needed for assisting the Police Department, Fire Department and street workers who are all working at maximum levels. A plan needs to be set in motion consisting of volunteers and organizations. Committee member Tim Thibodeaux stated that he has invited Chief Menard, Fire Chief Jason Simon, Office of Emergency Preparedness and Civil Defense people to attend the next drainage committee meeting to discuss this and address questions and concerns of authority, chain of command, and liability issues in effort to organize a plan for emergency/flooding situations/disasters.

Also discussed in the drainage committee meeting, was a document concerning drainage water retention, etc., that was created for the Lafayette Consolidated Government. The Committee and Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, are asking for permission to send this document to our Town Attorney Edward Broussard to prepare this in Ordinance form and could be introduced and the Council could discuss for consideration and vote. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that the Ordinance would not be retroactive and, if passed, would only apply to future projects/developments. After discussion, motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to send the pertinent information that Walter has to Town Attorney Edward Broussard to put in Ordinance form for the Town of Youngsville to bring back to the Council to study it and offer for introduction and Council consideration. Passed unanimously.

7. Mayor Denais addressed the council and public, and stated that he had some concerns/vibes about what Youngsville is doing for the Youngsville Volunteer Fire Department. . Mayor Denais complimented the Council for doing a fantastic job. With the millage reports that we have, \$14,709,620.00 is the assessed values of the properties in Youngsville. With our Mills of 11.43, it would equate to about \$168,333.00 (approximately). At this time, we are not collecting any advalorem taxes, but if this would have occurred, we would have to send by referendum-yearly (dedicated monies) to the Fire Department in the amount of \$25,219.00. Mayor Denais stated that we are currently giving to the Fire Department \$790.42 monthly (\$9,500.00 yearly), we donate \$20,000.00 annually for new fire truck purchase, and \$744.00 monthly for contract labor which comes to \$20,928.00 annually, and we also pay for their audit which comes to \$4,730.00. Total allocations to the Fire Department is \$55,143.00. Mayor stated that Council and this administration is doing it's fair share and more to support our Fire Department and the volunteers in the Fire Department are doing a fantastic job with the tools they have to work with. We are limited and don't have that big of a base and these guys do a fantastic job at protecting our homes, churches, schools and businesses from fires and they have a direct impact on Youngsville's fire rating, which affects our insurance costs and equates back to all of us who pay insurance costs. Again, the Fire Department is doing a fantastic job! Applause was given.
8. Councilman Huey Romero wanted to take a minute to congratulate our Fire Chief Jason Simon, who is also a full-time Lafayette Fire Department Employee, and has been Youngsville Fire Chief for about 12 years, and serves on the Fire Department for approximately 27 years. Councilman

Huey Romero stated that Jason has received his diploma/degree of Associate in applied Science: Fire Science at the Louisiana State University at Eunice on August 8, 2002, and he also has been placed on the Chancellor's List for Summer 2002 at L.S.U.E. Councilman Huey Romero stated that the Town of Youngsville honors him and congratulates him. Everyone applauded. Jason stated that he went to school part-time for 12 years. Discussion on tape of his future plans.

9. Jason Stutes (Stute Estate heir) was present tonight to address this council on the old abandoned/condemned building/property located at 304 First Street in town. The Town was going to demolish it and put a lien on the property after years of making an attempt to locate the responsible owners to upkeep the building/property, after receiving numerous complaints. Jason Stutes was here to tell the Council that the house is still sound and made of Cypress. The house can be moved or taken down board by board, and he has people that will do both and is asking for time to arrange for that. And in the meantime, he will maintain the property making sure the grass is cut, board the house up and baited for rats, put signs on the front and back door and clear the property, pick up the trash and left sticks out front, but would be willing to pay for a month of trash or whatever. Jason stated that he is willing to maintain it if the council allows him the time to do so. Asking the town not to tear the house down and put lien on this property because he hopes it will be his one day. Discussion on tape with Councilman Huey Romero stating that we get something in writing saying that by November 30, 2002. If it is not removed or torn down, that the town has the right to go in and tear it down and clear the property, placing a lien on it. Mayor Denais stated we have received numerous complaints about that building and the law states that we won't act unless we have complaints.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to allow Jason Stutes to dismantle/or move or whatever, the building at 304 First Street and have it done absolutely cleared away by November 30, 2002 and must maintain the property and keep the rat population down in the interim, or we will go in and demolish it and put a lien on it, assessing all costs. Passed unanimously.

10. (a) Engineer Walter discussed the Sewer Plant Upgrading Project No. 2000-038 stating that we have had our second DEQ inspection/monthly meeting and everything progressing satisfactorily.

(b) The 16" Waterline Project No. 2000-108 is actually complete and flushing, disinfecting, testing, and pressure testing is being done as the process continues slowly not to deplete our water service.

(c) In reference to the Sewer System Improvements on Randy Road/A Maxie Duhon Road, bids were opened on Friday, August 30, 2002 (5 bids received) with the lowest bidder being Stelly Construction, Inc. of Arnaudville, LA, with a bid of \$231,854.25. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, recommended, after reviewing, and upon review of Town Attorney Edward Broussard, that the contract be awarded to the lowest bidder, the above mentioned contractor. This project is being funded under the LCDBG Program for a Grant of \$198,000.00 with the town share at \$33,854.25. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to award this contract to the lowest bidder, Stelly Construction, at a bid price of \$231,854.25, and authorizing the Mayor to sign all necessary paperwork/documents in connection with this project. Passed unanimously.

Audience member Kay Haslam asked question in regards to the 16" Waterline/funding/change orders.

11. Mark Wilson, spokesperson, and other Atlas Road residents were here tonight to express their concerns on the extremely poor condition of Atlas Road asking about road paving/discussing

community watch/newsletter and meetings/covenant revisions/speeding down that road. Mayor Denais stated in discussion that this was not in the budget for the coming year; however, this can be changed by the Council. Funding is limited. Town Manager Charles Langlinais is taking notes and we will get cost estimates and see what we can do. Keep residents informed. Mayor stated in discussion, concerning their speeding problem, that we can notify Chief Menard to increase patrol/issue law enforcement citations to violators. Discussion is given on tape. Councilman Paul Huval discussed citizens' arrest. Mayor Denais finalized by saying that we will look at the request for street overlaying of Atlas Road and will certainly talk to the Chief about the speeding problem to increase patrol in that area. Mayor Denais thanked the Atlas Road residents for coming tonight and will consider all requests.

12. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 22, 2002. Passed unanimously.
13. Councilwoman Yvonne King discussed the sand-bagging facility; joint venture between the Town of Youngsville and the Town of Broussard located on Albertson's Parkway. She expressed her discontent with it. Pictures were taken by Councilwoman Yvonne King for council's review. Mayor Denais stated that he has been in contact with the Mayor of Broussard and told him in no uncertain terms that we would not invest \$5,000 in that facility. Town Manager Charles Langlinais and Street Supervisor Craig Ducharme have come up with a way that we can build a facility and get a machine to fill the sandbags. Looking into that aspect, to have this in our town.
14. Councilman Paul Huval addressed the Council tonight, stating that it is the last meeting before the election and that it's been 10 years he's been on the Board of Aldermen and it has been a pleasure to serve with this Board here and wished those who are running, good luck, and make sure we vote the right ones, stating that Youngsville is on a ladder going straight up and must continue in that direction, whether its asphaltting/paving/or policing for good development and for our kids. Councilman Paul Huval thanked everyone for allowing him to serve.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor Lucas Denais, Councilwoman Brenda Burley Councilman Jesse Vallot, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais.

ABSENT: None.

GUESTS: Blaise Sonnier, Tim Thibodeaux, Walter Comeaux, III, Wilson Viator, Verna Romero, A.J. Bernard, Jason Simon, Ross Heard, Toni Thibodeaux, Tom Turk, Gloria Cabrol, Don Duhon, Collin Robicheaux, Matthew Simon, Mark Simon, Bobby Francis, Chief Earl Menard.

Mayor Lucas Denais called the meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Yvonne King to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Jesse Vallot to amend the agenda to move Item No. 7 to No. 1, if possible. Passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated in discussion that she had asked Computer Consultant Tim Thibodeaux for an analysis and justification of the 5 new computers purchased. Tim Thibodeaux stated that he did have. Councilwoman Brenda Burley questioned Tim Thibodeaux about the invoice on same for \$10,000 for 5 computers installed at \$2,000.00 each. She stated that there was no breakdown/detailed information and she would appreciate that Tim would get this to the council. Tim Thibodeaux stated he has not actually received the invoice from Dell Computer, but has paid Dell approximately \$8,000.00. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated she wanted Tim to send the detailed description and cost of all things for the next meeting. Tim was asked to give the council copies of his analysis and justification for the 5 working computers in the office, why we had to have big upgrades for the menial things done in view of this town, for the increase in computer systems. Councilwoman Brenda Burley then asked Tim Thibodeaux where were the 5 working computers that are no longer here in the office, the ones that were replaced. Tim then replied that one of the computers is still here hooked up to the scanner and 2 of the computers are at the fire station being utilized. One computer is in Tim Thibodeaux's possession. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that this was never brought before the council and is public property. Making reference to LMA's Technical Assistance Bulletin Handout. Anything that is bought or donated is considered public property and you cannot remove it. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that no one has the right to tell you that you can have it or sell it. It has to come before the council and then we have to have a public sale and cannot be given away. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that the computer must be returned to the Town of Youngsville because it is public property. Tim Thibodeaux stated that this was not a problem. Councilwoman Brenda Burley then re-emphasized that she wanted the analysis and justifications and copies of the invoices. Tim Thibodeaux stated that he has copies of the packing slips and has not received the invoices yet from Dell. Councilman Huey Romero questioned where the 5th computer and Tim Thibodeaux stated that it was also in his possession. Councilwoman Brenda Burley then stated that we need to do an inventory of all the computers that we have which will come later. Tim Thibodeaux then stated that computers aren't like houses they don't last a lifetime. Computer technology changes almost daily. The speed of computers double every 18 months which means that the software vendors upgrade almost every year, making it more stable and reliable. They almost always require more and faster hardware. In the business environment the life expectancy of a computer is only 3 years. The town saved several hundred dollars in sales tax exemptions. The existing computers were purchased over 4 years ago. Then Tim Thibodeaux went into the technical functions of speeds,

hardware, computer & monitor sizes, memory, etc. He further stated on how much we have improved by the new systems that were purchased and are being utilized presently. He also stated that we are now waiting on a computer accounting package to buy and implement. Whatever is recommended, these computers will be able to handle it. Tim Thibodeaux further explained the cost of the computer cost of \$10,000.00. Of that amount, \$8,300.00 was paid to Dell, about \$400.00 was paid to Heward Packard for a new printer and \$40.00 was paid to Office Depot for a new printer port for Karen's machine. That left \$1,260.00 for Tim Thibodeaux's expenses and he spent over 8 hours researching, shopping, ordering, confirming, etc. He stated that he spent over 2 hours on each machine which is 10 hours of system preparation. Further lengthy discussion on tape given by Tim Thibodeaux regarding all other work performances. In closing, Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that we may not have the prettiest and most space saving equipment or the fastest but that she thinks that for what we do here, they were sufficient and we didn't have to spend the extra \$10,000.00 without a justification for it. Councilwoman Brenda Burley further stated that she was just an elected official and was trying to take care of everybody's money.

2. In reference to Hurricane Lili, Mayor Denais stated that he has entered into a temporary contract with JIL Tree Service, out of St. Martinville, LA., for tree/debris removal. . The tree surgeons were working on requests made through the Mayor's Office. Audience member Russell Romero expressed extreme dissatisfaction because a fallen tree was not removed from his trailer. However, 3 days after the hurricane, permission was given to a neighbor to remove a tree that fell on a limb hanging over a house next door. All the equipment was there and the tree was removed out of his neighbor's yard, which was on the tree that was lying on Mr. Romero's trailer, and still remains there. Mayor Denais responded that he was working on requests that he was given and he didn't have Mr. Romero's request at that time, moving on to other sights. Comments, complaints, and questions given on tape from other audience members. Mayor Denais stated that an Executive Order was given from the Governor of the State of Louisiana to allow for the removal of trees from private property. Engineer Walter Comeaux discussed debris/disposal fees/the LA Office of Preparedness formula allotment. Refer to attachment in minute book. Councilman Paul Huval discussed the hurricane cleanup and commended town employees for their efforts. Councilwoman Yvonne King commented that this would be an opportunity for Bayou Parc Perdue/coulee cleanup(s). Engineer Walter Comeaux stated that it is an allowable reimbursement. Councilwoman Yvonne King stated that she did not want these monies to slip away. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, asked Town Manager Charles Langlinais to remind him of this. Councilman Huey Romero stated that the utility companies should bear some of the cost of the hurricane cleanup on power lines. Trees are not being cut and that is one of their responsibilities and should have had people on staff to send crews out here to help. Further lengthy discussion on tape. Councilman Huey Romero requested that the Mayor give the council a copy of the contract so that they could review it. Mayor Denais stated that because of the criteria with FEMA, that we have not put that together yet, but as soon as he gets it, the council will have copies of it. Councilman Huey Romero questioned the feeding of the contractors that we are already paying good money to for their work. Fire Chief Jason Simon reported on what the Volunteer Fire Department did during Hurricane Lili and damages to their station's rear doors and the Suburban was pretty much totaled. Police Chief Earl Menard stated that he had damage to his radio antenna base station.

Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated for the record to the public, to the council, and to Councilman Paul Huval and Tim Thibodeaux, that her bringing Tim Thibodeaux and computers on the agenda tonight, had nothing to do with the election. The election was going to be last Saturday and she was already on the agenda a week before the Hurricane, therefore, Tim Thibodeaux was on the agenda before the Hurricane came and the election was to have already been past and so it is not a political ploy. Councilman Paul Huval apologized to all and that this

was a situation where things were happening so quickly and agenda should have been based on only one thing which is the Hurricane.

3. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to adopt Ordinance No. 249 regulating the dumping of concrete into drainage systems and development/acceptance of new subdivisions. Passed unanimously.
4. Blaise Sonnier, President of the Board of Controls with the Lafayette Public Library was present tonight to push and promote a 2 mill tax (ten years) for the operation, construction, and maintenance of the Lafayette Library System, and also a library bond proposition for 40 million dollars (25 year general obligation bonds) for construction of four (4) neighborhood branch libraries, acquiring and improving public library buildings in the parish, acquiring necessary land, equipment, library books, furnishings and renovations of the main library, payable from ad valorem taxes. This will be up for a vote on the November 5th upcoming election. Blaise Sonnier appreciated being put on the agenda. Everyone applauded.
5. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to hire Anthony Kinard, effective October 16, 2002, as a full time deputy for Youngsville Police Department as recommended by Chief Earl Menard. Passed unanimously.
6. In reference to the Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial Commemorative Medallion, motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to table the issue until the next meeting. Passed unanimously.
7. Mayor Denais stated that due to numerous complaints received, the council discussed the request to increase the speed limit on Fortune Road. Chief Earl Menard stated that this was a substandard road and that the intersection of Bonin Road and Fortune Road is a very dangerous intersection with the loss of two lives in accidents occurring. Chief Menard recommended that the speed limit remain 40 mph. The speed limit in front of Gallet Elementary was also discussed. Chief Earl Menard stated that the State of Louisiana controls the speed on that highway.
8. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor Lucas Denais.

Lucas Denais, Mayor
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2002 AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais, and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: Mayor Lucas Denais.

GUESTS: Toni Thibodeaux, Tim Thibodeaux, Walter Comeaux, III, Wilson Viator, Verna Romero, A.J. Bernard, Jason Simon, Ross Heard, Kay Haslam, Bobby Francis, Aaron Baudoin, Cindy Champagne, Howard & Brenda Patin, Roy DeHart, Dale Langlinais, Brenda Langlinais, C. Landry, Harold Smith, Brent Broussard, Sissy Granger, and various town residents.

Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot called the meeting to order and asked Councilwoman Yvonne King to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

1. The first thing on the agenda is Hurricane Lili which was requested by Councilman Huey Romero, who wanted to see a copy of the contract with J.I.L. Tree Service on cleanup of debris, how much was actually paid to them, and what is still owed. Also, Councilman Huey Romero discussed and questioned what FEMA was going to reimburse the town. Mentioned in discussion, was the copy of the invoice to the Town from J.I.L. Tree Service where they would charge \$20,000.00 per day and another form in the FEMA packet, that they went to doing some night work and would charge \$30,000.00 per day on a 15-day contract. Councilman Huey Romero stated that \$290,000.00 is total according to the information sheet. Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot said he had no answer for this and we are waiting on FEMA. Councilman Romero stated that he was not asking about FEMA and wanted to know if we still owe J.I.L. Tree Service \$290,000.00. He further stated he totaled the bills and other expenses for sand, limestone, construction work/hauling, equipment rental, food, Willstaff Temporary Services and other tree/debris removal, which amounted to \$334,941.68, which has also already been paid by the Town and invoices were submitted to FEMA in the application for reimbursement (Category A). Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that this was for debris removal and there are other categories to be applied for reimbursement funding and is speaking with another person who handles the other categories (B through G) which has not been compiled/completed/ and turned in for reimbursement. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, is currently working on this part and has not totaled that up yet. FEMA handles these things separately. Councilman Huey Romero stated that, at this time, he was concerned about fund balances and doesn't want to see us not being able to function for the next six months. Walter stated that once FEMA gets the worksheets completed and submitted, it takes about two weeks before money comes trickling in. Councilwoman Brenda Burley then asked how much money has been paid to date to J.I.L. Tree Service. Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais verified that \$120,000.00 has been already paid. Councilman Huey Romero then asked if we owed a \$170,000.00 balance. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that the last day that J.I.L. worked was October 14, 2002, and the contract was changed on October 6, 2002, for the \$20,000.00 per day to \$30,000.00 per day (from an 8-hour day to a 12-hour day). Town Attorney Edward Broussard stated that it is whatever the balance is; subtract the \$120,000.00 already paid. Councilman Huey Romero then asked what are we going to pay these people and did they do the (contract) work and asked if there was a problem with the contract. Town Attorney Edward Broussard stated that he didn't know of any problems with the contract/contractor. Councilman Huey Romero then asked if they did what they had to do and do we owe them \$170,000.00. He wanted an answer to this question. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, then stated that before we go any further, we need to go into Executive Session. Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot entertained a motion to go into Executive Session. Councilman Paul Huval made the motion and Councilman Huey Romero seconded. Councilwoman Yvonne King stated that she thought it could only be for personnel matters. Town Attorney Edward Broussard stated that they could go into Executive Session to discuss that. Passed unanimously. The Mayor ProTempore, Council, Town Attorney, Town Manager, and Town Engineer left the meeting room and went into Executive Session. Upon returning into the meeting room, motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by

Councilwoman Brenda Burley to go back into regular session. Passed unanimously. Councilman Huey Romero made the motion that we table the Hurricane Lili matter and have a special meeting within a week or 2 weeks when we get a little more information dollar wise on where we stand with this. Councilwoman Yvonne King seconded. Passed unanimously.

2. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to adopt Resolution No. 2002-013 accepting the water and sewer systems facilities and maintenance of the streets in the Village at Copperfield. Passed unanimously. Council previously gave permission/vote that no sidewalks be constructed in that development, as mentioned and discussed by Developer John C. Broussard. .
3. In reference to the Annexation of Hwy. 92, the Council discussed areas annexed for the Southside (Ordinance No. 244) and proposed annexation on the north side of Hwy. 92 (Ordinance No. 250). Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero for discussion to introduce Ordinance No. 250 to annex properties on the north side of Hwy. 92. Passed unanimously. Fire Districts/response to fires discussed by Fire Chief Jason Simon.
4. After properly advertising and receiving five (5) bids on a mini-excavator, Councilwoman Yvonne King stated that until we get the money from FEMA on Hurricane Lili, she can't see justifying this expenditure at this time and asked that this be tabled and get with the bidders to see if they would extend the time until we get a response from FEMA. Councilman Paul Huval discussed the bids received with the lowest bidder from Head and Engquist Equipment, LLC at \$58,900.00 and has or is in the process of closing its Lafayette facility. The technical specifications contains a provision requiring that the dealership be within 35 miles of Youngsville, which ensures that the machine would be promptly service or repaired. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, determined in a letter dated November 5, 2002, that the bid from Head & Engquist, LLC does not met bid specifications and is not valid. The bid from CLM Equipment in the amount of \$64,800.00, is the second lowest bid and meets or exceeds the bid specification. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, therefore recommends that this contract be awarded to CLM Equipment, Inc., provided that Town Manager Charles Langlinois has the opportunity to inspect the machine or a like model and concurs with this recommendation from Engineer Walter Comeaux, III. In view of that, motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval that we honor the second bid from CLM Equipment in the amount of \$68,800.00 for the purchase of the mini-excavator which is in our budget (\$100,000.00) in order to continue ditch digging to improve drainage and not worry about some money in a month or two or three months from now and also not to continue renting it. Randy with Head & Engquist, LLC was present tonight and stated that the services and parts of this machine will still be handled locally, having three mechanics/technicians who work out of their homes who are in this parish so they can come and do warranty work in their shop (for 1-1/2 years) which is still used with mechanics there daily for parts and service. Randy stated that, as of today, Head and Engquist LLC is still in the bidding (and is the lowest bidder). Town Attorney Edward Broussard stated that if they still have an office where Randy said it was (to service and do warranty work) he, then, changed his legal opinion. Councilman Paul Huval then withdrew his motion and asked that we table this (mini-excavator) until the emergency special meeting in two weeks or whenever it is. Councilwoman Yvonne King seconded. Passed unanimously.
5. Update given and discussed by Engineer Walter Comeaux, III on various projects underway.
 - (a) The Sewer Upgrade Project No. 2000-038 is about 35% complete.
 - (b) The 16" Waterline Project No. 2000-108 has passed health tests and can be used for drinking water purposes. Final service connections and dress up work is currently being done. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed the L.U.S. portion of this waterline to Pinhook Road. Currently working on extension on/from Fortune to Atlas, South Fork and Carmelite Circle, excluding the industrial park because we may get some money from an Economic Development Grant. Fire Chief Jason Simon discussed time frame/fire rating/fire department automatic aid/rating points.
 - (c) In reference to the LCDBG Grant for Sewer Improvements on Hwy 92 and Randy Road, approximately 1/3 of this line is done with 8" pipe installed and a 4" force main.

(d) Walter stated that the fieldwork was done on the Beau Jardin Drainage Study and he will have a recommendation at the next meeting. Councilwoman Yvonne King brought out in discussion, that on the Parc Perdue Lateral No. 9 Drainage work done, it is flowing so fast that it is backing up and rising behind the Southwest Feed Store and northward and she expressed that she does not want to lose FEMA money available for drainage work. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that an assessment should be done on all our major channels and FEMA will do a project worksheet to place that in the proper category to get reimbursed. FEMA will not pay for debris removal from coulees because NRCS will handle this but does not have the monies. Bill Campbell will let Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, know when they come to a resolution. (Snag removal only and not cleaning out of coulees).

Lengthy discussion on tape from Carolyn Miller, Beau Jardin resident, inquiring about a Beau Jardin previous drainage study, ongoing from six years ago, complaining about her continual flooding problem; draining two streets in that subdivision. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III stated that survey work was done and a recommendation will be given at the next meeting on December 12, 2002, for council consideration. Audience member Toni Thibodeaux, (School Street) addressed the council on her drainage problem/flood insurance increase/needed ditch-cleaning. Beau Jardin resident Roy DeHart stated that he spoke to the Mayor about two weeks ago and he said that when Engineer Walter Comeaux had his study completed, he would call a meeting for the residents of Beau Jardin and mail out a flyer or call everyone. This matter will be placed on the agenda of the next meeting to be held on December 12, 2002.

6. Motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to accept and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 10, 2002. Passed unanimously.

Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot invited everyone to our Christmas Party on December 20, 2002. Councilman Paul Huval discussed & invited everyone to the Lions Club Chili-Gumbo Cook Off Benefit Fundraiser to be held this Saturday, November 16, 2002, at the Lions KC Hall on Young Street.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot.

Jesse Vallot, Mayor ProTempore
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
Town of Youngsville

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE YOUNGSVILLE MAYOR & TOWN COUNCIL HELD ON
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2002, AT 6:00 PM AT
THE TOWN HALL:**

PRESENT: Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot, Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilman Paul Huval, Councilwoman Yvonne King, Councilman Huey Romero, Town Manager Charles Langlinais, Municipal Clerk Rebecca Langlinais, and Assistant Clerk Barbara Jackson.

ABSENT: Mayor Lucas Denais.

GUESTS: Tim Thibodeaux, Walter Comeaux, III, Wilson Viator, A.J. Bernard, Jason Simon, Ross Heard, Kay Haslam, Bobby Francis, Roy DeHart, Dale Langlinais, Brenda Langlinais, Walter & Cindy Jackson, Dean Guidry (JIL), Donald Jones, Phil Catalono, Sharon Wagner, Carolyn Miller, Kurt Degueyter, C. Landry, Harold Smith, Brent Broussard, Sissy Granger, and various town residents.

Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot called the meeting to order and asked Councilman Paul Huval to lead everyone in a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot began by reading an outgoing statement from Mayor Lucas Denais, "To the residents of the Town of Youngsville, LA, I want to thank you and tell you how proud you made me for allowing me to serve as Mayor of our wonderful town. God Bless you for that privilege. To the sitting aldermen/alderwomen, I want to say that the accomplishments of this group in the past 4 years speak for themselves. Also, the projects being worked on at this time is a credit to you. The audit for the past year, as for the other years, attests to your diligence in money matters. I am proud to have served our town with you. I now bid you adieu and bon chance!" signed by Mayor Lucas Denais.

1. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to amend the agenda to add the Adoption of Ordinance No. 250 Annexation of the Northside of Highway 92. Passed unanimously.
2. Public Hearing was held on a proposed subdivision development of Beacon Hills Village. The developer is requesting that preliminary plat approval be granted for the subdivision of 7.136 acres into 32 residential lots. Sharon Wagner with the Lafayette Consolidated Government Planning Department was present tonight to discuss this development and she explained the Areawide Development Review Committee Comprehensive Report, subject to 5 conditions listed in the report. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to give preliminary plat approval and also accept the recommendations of the Areawide Development Review Committee Comprehensive report subject to the 5 conditions/changes to be made on the proposed Beacon Hills Village Subdivision Development. Passed unanimously.
3. The Public Hearing on Young Industries Commercial Resubdivision was not held tonight and was asked to be rescheduled at a later date.
4. Town Attorney Edward Broussard and Town Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed Hurricane Lili/F.E.M.A. meeting/matters. Councilman Huey Romero asked if we were going to get any money/reimbursement back. Town Manager Charles stated that we would get the first 72 working hours definitely (75% from F.E.M.A. and 10% from the State of Louisiana). Town Manager Charles Langlinais stated that he had a meeting tomorrow with F.E.M.A. at Town Hall at 9:00 AM and invited the council to attend. Lengthy discussion on tape.
5. Councilwoman Brenda Burley discussed the Hub City Arena (Hurricane Lili) cleanup, having received four (phone solicited) sealed bids (3 obtained by Mayor Elect Wilson Viator, Jr.). Attorney Edward Broussard stated that if it takes only three days for the cleanup, it could wait until the January meeting, while waiting on F.E.M.A. The town has a lease/agreement with the Hub City Riding Club with activities beginning around March 1st 2003 and repair work needs to be done. Also, the Council agreed to hold the sealed bids and this would be placed on the agenda of the January meeting. Mayor Elect Wilson Viator, Jr. asked how F.E.M.A. would react to the fact that

we will be double transporting this debris at double cost. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, stated that F.E.M.A. looks at the total cost of what was done in the analysis of this debris removal. Wilson Viator, Jr. then stated that by not opening the bids tonight, we may have other people interested in bidding and we should encourage others to bid. Dean Guidry with J.I.L. Tree Service stated that there are companies up north that will buy the mulch for fuel, as was stated by him to Mayor Denais, previously, instead of paying people to remove it. Dean Guidry commented that he has discussed this with Mayor Denais on several occasions and the reason he was here tonight is because of the unpaid balance owed to him for the Hurricane Lili cleanup. The contract was made by the town and not F.E.M.A. and wants to settle up and collect what is owed and the job was done. Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot stated that this could be put on the January meeting agenda. Councilman Paul Huval stated that the council knew very little about transactions that occurred between J.I.L. Tree Service and the Mayor and that it can be put on the January meeting agenda or he can go through our Engineer, Walter Comeaux, III, and/or Town Attorney Edward Broussard. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that, as a council member, she had nothing to do with the Hurricane and was never called/informed of any transactions that went on. Mayor Elect Wilson Viator, Jr., (tonight) told Dean Guidry with J.I.L. Tree Service that he needed to get in touch with him to talk about this but cannot make any decisions until after January 1st 2003 and will not make any decisions without the council. Further lengthy discussion on tape. This matter is to be put on the January agenda.

6. In reference to the bill from Triple T. Excavating Services for the Green T. Lindon drainage ditch work done, Town Manager Charles Langlinais stated that the farmer, Andy Lanie, paid the remaining 1/3 of the bill. The town has already paid 1/3 share of cost.
7. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to adopt Ordinance No. 250 on annexation of properties on the Northside of Highway 92. Passed unanimously.
8. Concerning the contract for picking up branches on personal property, Town Manager Charles stated in discussion, that this is included in the bid proposals received and will be taken up at the January meeting. Mayor Elect Wilson Viator, Jr. questioned the several tree removals on private property, right after the hurricane. Making reference to a letter from Governor Foster giving the Mayor authority to do so, but also said in the proclamation, that we had to do it with our own regular town employees and it was actually done by a contractor. But for the rest of our citizens who still have debris, as long as it is done legally, we are obligated to assist in this effort to be fair to everyone. Lengthy discussion on tape given by Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, on tree removal and F.E.M.A. guidelines.

Mayor Elect Wilson Viator, Jr. stated that he asked for bidding on cleaning the horse arena and level it and also a bid on all the trees left in town. Councilman Paul Huval stated it should be put in the newspaper for bidding because it may go beyond \$50,000; bid law. F.E.M.A. guidelines discussed arborists/licensed contractors. Wilson Viator, Jr. said in discussion that if we advertise in the newspaper, we could receive additional bids. Councilman Paul Huval suggested that we get a F.E.M.A. representative to come to a special meeting in 2 weeks to talk to us since we have questions and are not getting answers. Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot asked if Wilson Viator (Mayor Elect) can come in and meet with him to talk to him. Councilman Paul Huval stated that Mayor Elect Wilson Viator can do nothing until January anyway. Councilman Huey Romero said that Wilson can get information to find out what's going on to be prepared for January 1, 2003, when he takes office as Mayor of Youngsville. Mayor Elect Wilson Viator, Jr. stated that in the essence of time, because of our town lease with the Hub City Riders, and that the amount will be over \$50,000.00. It would be wise for the council to advertise this for bid in the newspaper using F.E.M.A. guidelines getting separate bids (horse arena and remaining tree removal). Councilman Paul Huval stated to Town Manager Charles Langlinais that when he and Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, meet with F.E.M.A. tomorrow to ask if they can meet for a special meeting with us in 2 weeks or after Christmas or at the next regular meeting to explain to our people what is transpiring.

9. Contract for picking up branches on personal property will be put on the agenda of the next meeting. No action by council taken tonight.

10. Councilman Paul Huval made the motion and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to accept and approve the audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002. Passed unanimously.
11. In reference to the mini-excavator bid and making reference to a letter dated December 10, 2002, from Town Attorney Edward Broussard, after receiving the bid documents and specs for the purchase of same for the town, it is Town Attorney Edward Broussard's opinion that the lowest bidder (Head & Engquist) should be disqualified because the seller must reside within a 35 mile radius of the town and the lowest bidder indicated that they are closing their office in this area, therefore, they do not meet the specs. Town Attorney Edward Broussard stated that the contract should be awarded to the next lowest bidder (CLM Equipment). Councilman Paul Huval re-emphasized that drainage is the biggest issue in our community and has dedicated in our budget \$100,000.00 for drainage improvements. Councilwoman Yvonne King stated that when we dedicated that money, we did not have a natural disaster up to \$300,000.00 plus in cleanup bills. Councilman Paul Huval strongly stated that whether you have a catastrophe or not, ditches need to be cleaned. Councilman Paul Huval made the motion to purchase the mini-excavator from the next lowest bidder (CLM Equipment) at the bid price of \$64,800.00. Councilwoman Brenda Burley seconded for discussion. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated in discussion that we have spent \$23,400.00 on excavator rental and \$20,800.00 for dump truck services and estimated cost of labor at \$8,400.00. Totalling \$52,600.00 spent as of December 12, 2002. We had a brand new mini-excavator with 302 hours. Councilwoman Brenda further stated that it is costing us \$172.00 per hour to use this mini-excavator and this does not include moving it around, fuel and insurance. "You can go and rent an excavator larger than this one with a driver for \$70.00 per hour and a truck for \$40.00 per hour, while it is costing us \$172.00 per hour, and wear and tear also." We will need a full-time department for excavating ditches and does not justify the amount that it costs the town. Councilwoman Brenda Burley stated that the ditch digging that we do with this little excavator is not going to keep us from flooding if we get a big rain. Further lengthy discussion on tape. Councilman Huey Romero stated in discussion that we spent \$4,100.00 on a laser for an excavator that we could not even use the ditch digging machine because of the hurricane disaster. Town Manager Charles explained that the billing cycle was 45 days prior to October 10, 2002. Councilman Huey Romero strongly stated that we need to conserve not knowing where we stand with F.E.M.A. and how much more money we will have to spend and if we have to put out an additional \$150,000.00 - \$200,000.00, and is not in the account, how will we be able to operate and do anything for the people of our town? Next year we would have to raise utility rates and Councilman Huey Romero does not want to do that to the people. Further discussion on tape. Hand vote taken on the motion. Councilwoman Brenda Burley, Councilwoman Yvonne King, and Councilman Huey Romero voted no and Councilman Paul Huval voted yes. Motion failed to purchase a mini-excavator.

Mayor Elect Wilson Viator stated to Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot and the council that he is not saying that Youngsville doesn't need a mini-excavator or that we will not need one later on down the road, but, really feels that it is the wrong thing to do at this time and feels that the ditches that we need to dig are not what this machine can handle and can come out cheaper by a private contractor for this work than doing it ourselves; seeing it in Parish and State Government. Further discussion on tape. Mayor Elect Wilson Viator, Jr. suggested strongly that in January, that we advertise for bids on an hourly rate from contractors, naming the size of the excavator, and earmark several ditches we need to have cleaned, and get footage and have them bid by the hour to furnish the excavator and truck when needed and determine what equipment is needed. Comments and questions given by audience members.

12. Update given and discussed by Engineer Walter Comeaux, III on various ongoing projects.
 - (a) The Sewer Upgrade Project No. 2000-038 continues satisfactorily.
 - (b) In reference to the 16" Waterline Project No. 2000-108, motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilwoman Brenda Burley to accept this project with the minor punch list items to be addressed/corrected and authorizing the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion. Passed unanimously. The 16" waterline surplus money on Capital Outlay of \$327,000.00 was discussed by Engineer

Walter Comeaux, III and Fortune Road waterline extensions (estimated cost of \$250,000.00). L.E.D.A. Grants discussed also, eventually looping down Chemin Metairie.

(c) In reference to the L.C.D.B.G. Grant/Project for sewer improvements Highway 92 West/Randy Road, motion was made by Councilwoman Yvonne King and seconded by Councilman Huey Romero to authorize the Mayor to sign the Certificate of Substantial Completion/closing the grant based on recommendations from Engineer Walter Comeaux, III. The Grant Coordinator Richard Minvielle is working with the residents on connections and we are waiting on a pump to come in. Passed unanimously.

(d) Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, discussed his study done in Beau Jardin Subdivision to improve drainage using a quad map. He recommends replacing 18" culverts on Almonaster Road with 24" culverts and add a cross drain. Drainage culverts along Almonaster Road could be reset. Change 18" culverts to 24" and also change existing 24" culverts 30" culverts. Replace the 12-15" pipe with 36" pipe in ditch. Engineer Walter Comeaux, III, gave a cost estimate of \$50,000.00 (labor and materials) using HDP plastic pipe and plastic T's in this preliminary study. Comments and questions given on tape from audience members and council members. Length discussion. Motion was made by Councilman Paul Huval and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to table this matter for the new administration to consider. Passed unanimously.

13. Motion was made by Councilwoman Brenda Burley and seconded by Councilwoman Yvonne King to accept and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 14, 2002. Passed unanimously.

With no further business up for discussion, this meeting was declared adjourned by Mayor ProTempore Jesse Vallot.

Jesse Vallot, Mayor ProTempore
Town of Youngsville

Rebecca Langlinais, Municipal Clerk
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