

# BOARD OF ALDERMEN SPECIAL MEETING Tuesday, December 03, 2024 at 5:30 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall, 2305 North 7th Street, West Monroe

# MINUTES

## NOTICE/MINUTES

### Call to order/Verification of Attendance

<u>PRESENT</u> Mayor Staci Mitchell Polk Brian Thom Hamilton Ben Westerburg

<u>ABSENT</u> Morgan Buxton Rodney Welch

### **Motion to Approve Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes of November 12, 2024 Special Council Meeting.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Brian. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

#### ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

<u>Ordinance No. 5418</u>: Ordinance to authorize an application for an Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) for a new pumper truck in the amount of \$225,000 (required City contribution of \$504,495).

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

<u>Ordinance No. 5419</u>: Ordinance to amend the provisions of Part 8 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Downtown Garbage Collection District.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

<u>Ordinance No. 5420</u>: Ordinance to authorize a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Flying Heart Brewing & Pub for use of a shared dumpster for use in the Downtown Garbage Collection District.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Ordinance to authorize updated Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Ouachita Green (continuation of existing CEA). Tabled Indefinitely.

#### **BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT**

<u>Ordinance No. 5421</u>: Ordinance requesting a zone change from a B-3 (General Business) District to a R-1 (Single Family Residential) District for property located at 105 N Church Street (Parcel #39292) to be able to restore the former family home. Debbie W. Blue et al., applicants. Received a FAVORABLE recommendation from the West Monroe City Planning Commission.

## LEGAL

<u>Ordinance No. 5422</u>: Ordinance to authorize a Contract To Purchase and Sell for the sale of certain surplus immovable property to Warhawk Enterprises, LLC (affecting the ponds south of the Ike Hamilton Expo Center) for \$270,000.00. Tabled at November 12, 2024 Special Meeting.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Brian. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

### ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

<u>Constitution Drive Improvements: Commercial Parkway to Short Constitution Drive</u> - (DRA CIF) State Project #LA-7332, City Project #000311

Ordinance No. 5423: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with Lazenby & Associates, Inc. for engineering services.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

<u>Constitution Drive Improvements: Commercial Parkway to Short Constitution</u> Drive - (DRA CIF) State Project #LA-7332, City Project #000311

Ordinance No. 5424: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with Terracon for geotechnical engineering services.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Cotton Street Utility, Water, & Sewer Improvements: Pine Street to Wood Street - (DRA SEDAP) State Project #LA-7333, City Project #000312

Ordinance No. 5425: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with Lazenby & Associates, Inc. for engineering services.

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Westerburg. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Cotton Street Improvements: Bridge Street to Wood Street - (Capital Outlay), City Project #000331

Ordinance No. 5426: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with Lazenby & Associates, Inc. for engineering services.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Class Street Sewer Lift Station - City Project #000313

<u>Ordinance No. 5427</u>: Ordinance to review submitted bids and engineer's recommendations, and if project is awarded, Ordinance to accept awarded bid, and to authorize execution of a contract for project construction with the low bidder (Ouachita Electrical Contractors, LLC; \$38,749.50)

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Hamilton. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

New Drago Street Sanitary Sewer Lift Station - City Project #000180

Ordinance No. 5428: Review submitted bids and engineer's recommendations, and if project is awarded, approve ordinance to accept that bid, and to authorize execution of a contract for project construction with that bidder (Don M. Barron Contractor, Inc. - \$5,601,381.00).

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

## Project Updates

Robbie L. George, IV, P.E. (S.E. Huey, Co.) and Joshua D. Hays, P.E., M.S.C.E. (Lazenby & Associates, Inc.) presented the City Council with project updates for transportation, drainage, water and other.

### ADJOURN

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg. Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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ANDREA PATE CITY CLERK

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