



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, March 17, 2026 at 6:00 PM
Council Chambers, City Hall, 2305 North 7th Street, West Monroe

MINUTES

NOTICE/MINUTES

Call to order/Verification of Attendance

PRESENT

Mayor Staci Mitchell
Polk Brian
Morgan Buxton
Thom Hamilton
Rodney Welch
Ben Westerburg

The meeting was opened with prayer by Police Chief Jason Pleasant. The Girl Scouts of Troup 34 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of the March 3, 2026 Regular Council Meeting.

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

Recognitions/Presentations

City of West Monroe employees were recognized for years of service.

ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

Ordinance 5578: Ordinance to enter into a contract with Paymentus Corporation to obtain the use of their integrated electronic online bill payment services.

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

BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

Ordinance 5579: Ordinance to authorize acceptance of the assignment of certain water servitude agreements and to accept the transfer and donation of certain improvements located thereon in order to provide water service to BAH Nathan Village, Ltd.

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

PUBLIC WORKS

Ordinance 5580: Ordinance to authorize execution of a Vegetation Management Agreement with EDKO, LLC (Contract price \$161,500).

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

PARKS AND RECREATION

Ordinance 5581: Ordinance to declare certain movable property as surplus no longer needed for a public purpose, and to be sold at internet auction (decorative columns at West Monroe Convention Center).

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

WMFD

Ordinance 5582: Ordinance to authorize execution of a Service Agreement with GRAIL, Inc. for the provision of cancer screening examinations for eligible members of West Monroe Fire Department.

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

ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

FY27 Federal Appropriations Request - Water System Improvements Project

Resolution 879: Resolution to submit Fiscal Year 2027 Federal Appropriations request to U.S. Senator Bill Cassidy (\$5,000,000 with city match up to a designated amount).

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

Kiroli Park Walking Trails - City Project #C24002

Authorize Certificate of Substantial Completion with Benchmark Construction Group of LA, LLC.

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

ADJOURN

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

ATTEST:


ANDREA PATE
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:


STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL
MAYOR