

BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, October 01, 2024 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 Thom Hamilton Rodney Welch Ben Westerburg

ABSENT

Morgan Buxton

The meeting was opened with prayer by New Iona Presbyterian Church Pastor Lane Thompson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ouachita 4H members.

Motion to Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

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

Recognitions/Presentations

Mayor Mitchell presented the Ouachita 4H program with a proclamation honoring National 4H Week, October 7th - 12th.

Mayor's Review

Read aloud by the Mayor: Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at its regular meeting place, the West Monroe Council Chambers, 2305 N. 7th Street, West Monroe, Louisiana, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen plan to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the City of West Monroe, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of an ad valorem tax therein.

ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

Ordinance 5397: Ordinance to approve the Agency Participation Agreement with the Office of Debt Recovery.

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

LEGAL

Ordinance 5398: Introduce Ordinance to declare a certain alleyway as surplus, and to sell it to Michael Thomas Mayo (an adjoining landowner).

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg.

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PUBLIC WORKS

Ordinance 5399: Ordinance to authorize a joint funding agreement for water sources investigations with the U.S. Geological Survey, U.S. Department of the Interior (annual agreement: \$21,590 City, \$7,600 USGS).

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

ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

New Drago Street Sanitary Sewer Lift Station, Planning & Construction - State Project #50-MV2-21-01, City Project #000180

Ordinance to authorize execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana, Office of Facility Planning and Control (FP&C) relating to the project "New Drago Street Sanitary Sewer Lift Station, Planning and Construction". [October 12,2021]. **Tabled indefinitely.**

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

Arkansas Rd Utility Relocation (North 7th St to Otis St) - City Project #000213

<u>Ordinance 5400</u>: 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 selected bidder.

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

McMillan Road Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Improvements (LGAP FY20-21) - City Project #CP0087

<u>Ordinance 5401</u>: Review submitted bids and engineer's recommendations, and Ordinance to accept bid, and to authorize execution of a contract for project construction (McLemore Service Contractors, LLC. - \$201,400.00).

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

<u>Downing Pines Industrial Park Drainage Improvements (EDA)</u> - City Project #000122

Authorize Change Order No. 2 (+\$231,950.41; +180 days) with Bentz Construction Group, LLC.

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

Downing Pines Industrial Park Drainage Improvements (EDA) - City Project #000122

Authorize Certificate of Substantial Completion with Bentz Construction Group, LLC.

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

Flanagan Street Water Main Improvements (CWEF FY20-21) - City Project #000202

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+\$37,522.81; +15 days) with McLemore Service Contractors, LLC.

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

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Otis Street Fire Station Driveway Repair - City Project #000318

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (-\$1,548.00; +0 days) with BGW Construction, LLC.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

Otis Street Fire Station Driveway Repair - City Project #000318

Authorize Certificate of Substantial Completion with BGW Construction, LLC.

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

Phillips St Water Main Improvements (CWEF FY22-23) - City Project #000201

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+\$3,000.00; 0 days) with TAC Agency, Inc.

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

Project Updates

Robbie L. George, IV, P.E. (S.E. Huey Co.) and Brooke E. Edmondson (Lazenby & Associates, Inc.) presented the City Council with project updates for transportation, drainage and more.

ADJOURN

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

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL

MAYOR