

BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 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

ABSENT

Ben Westerburg

The meeting was opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Staci Mitchell.

Motion to Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of the May 8, 2025 Special Council Meeting.

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

Recognitions/Presentations

A proclamation was presented to Public Works Director Daryl Platt for National Public Works Week, May 18-24.

ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

Ordinance 5480: Ordinance to authorize the City to renew an agreement with The Picard Group to provide certain lobbying and related services at the state and federal level (\$9,000/monthly).

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

BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

<u>Resolution 860</u>: Resolution to appoint Gregory R. Hudgins, Jr. to the Historic Preservation Commission to serve the unexpired term of Nora Collins, expiring October 1, 2028.

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

Ordinance 5481: Ordinance to rezone property located at 913 Warren Drive (Assessor Parcel #138175) from a B-1 (Transitional Business) District to an R-1 (Single Family Residential) District. Pigs Flying, LLC (Kenneth Griffin) applicant. Received a FAVORABLE recommendation by the Planning Commission.

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

POLICE/FIRE

WMFD

Motion to authorize acquisition of a Rescue Pumper fire truck pursuant to the provisions provided by R.S. 38:2212.1.

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

WMPD

Ordinance 5474: Ordinance to authorize the sale of certain movable property from the West Monroe Police Department to Patriot Pawn, LLC. (Introduced at April 14, 2025 meeting, properly advertised thereafter).

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Westerburg (April 14, 2025 meeting) Voting Yea: Brian, Buxton, Hamilton, Welch

ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Exchange Street Drainage Improvements - City Project #000329

Authorize solicitation for bids (estimated cost: \$140,280.00).

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

North 7th Street Bicycle/Pedestrian Path (Arkansas Road to Otis Street) - City Project #000121

Authorize Change Order No. 2 (+ \$12,542.10; + 7 days) with CW&W Contractors, Inc.

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

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

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+ \$8,200.00; + 63 days) with McLemore Service Contractors, LLC.

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

Project Updates

6Jonathan Kaufman, City Project Manager, Director of Building & Development presented the City Council with project updates for transportation, drainage, and more.

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

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ATTEST:

APPROVED:

ANDREA PATE
CITY CLERK

STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL

MAYOR