



## BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at 6:00 PM

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

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### MINUTES

#### NOTICE/MINUTES

##### Call to order/Verification of Attendance

##### PRESENT

Mayor Staci Mitchell

Morgan Buxton

Thom Hamilton

Rodney Welch

Ben Westerburg

##### ABSENT

Polk Brian

The meeting was opened with prayer by alderman, Ben Westerburg. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Staci Albritton Mitchell.

##### Motion to Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Welch.

Voting Yea: Buxton, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

##### Recognitions/Presentations

City of West Monroe Employee Recognitions awarded for years of service.

#### ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

Ordinance No 5374: Ordinance to amend Sec 7-2010 of the Code of Ordinances, relating to sewerage collection charges, to provide for a required increase in sewer treatment charges to be effective on September 1, 2024, and to provide for the further required increases in sewer treatment charges to be effective on July 1, 2025, and on July 1, 2026.

Motion made by Welch, Seconded by Buxton.

Voting Yea: Buxton, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

Finance Director, Matthew Wilson, will explain the West Monroe Sales Tax rates.

Ordinance No. 5375: Ordinance to authorize execution of a services agreement with Sky rider Communications, Inc. to provide internet services at an additional location and to extend the term of the existing agreement.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Buxton, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

LEGAL

Introduce Ordinance No. 5376: Ordinance to authorize the purchase of certain immovable property located along Golf Course Creek/Black Bayou drainage canal from MISC Properties, LLC for \$3,000.00.

Motion made by Westenburg, Seconded by Buxton.

Ordinance No. 5357: Ordinance to authorize the sale of certain immovable property to KVS, LLC (Karl Dhaliwal, et al) of an additional 0.157 acres adjoining the lot purchased on Coleman Street which will improve access to the proposed store to be considered. Ordinance introduced at the July 16, 2024 City Council meeting.

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

Ordinance No. 5377: Ordinance to enact Sec. 2-6020 of the Code of Ordinances to provide a description of the West Monroe Riverfront Economic Development District.

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

ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Crosley Street Sanitary Sewer Improvements - City Project # 000322

Ordinance No. 5378: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with S.E. Huey Co. for Engineering Services.

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

South 8th Street Drainage Improvements - City Project #000200

Ordinance No. 5379: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with S.E. Huey Co. for Engineering Services.

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

S. Riverfront Street Water Main Improvements CWEF FY22-23 - City Project #000201

Ordinance No. 5380: Ordinance to authorize execution of contract with S.E. Huey Co. for Engineering Services.

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

Ordinance No. 5381: Ordinance to authorize entering into a Professional Services Contract for certain consulting services with Providence Engineering And Environmental Group, LLC in connection with the regulatory relationships involved in the operation of the WM/WO#5 Sewer Treatment Plant.

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

Highland School Area Sidewalk Project - City Project #000134

Ordinance No. 5382: Ordinance to authorize execution of an amendment to the contract with S.E. Huey Co. for Engineering Services.

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

South 5th Street Sewer Point Repair - City Project #000308

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+ \$707.50; + 0 days) with Amethyst Construction, Inc.

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

Kiroli Park Trails - LWCF Grant - City Project #C24002

Authorize Change Order No. 2 (+ \$4,500.00; + 0 days) with Ryan Watson Construction.

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

Montgomery Avenue Lift Station Renovation & Force Main - City Project #CP0083

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+ \$0; + 42 days) with McLemore Service Contractors, LLC.

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

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

Authorize City Clerk to advertise for bids.

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

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

Authorize City Clerk to advertise for bids.

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

**ADJOURN**

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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CINDY EMORY  
CITY CLERK

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STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL  
MAYOR