



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, April 7, 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 Albritton Mitchell
Polk Brian
Morgan Buxton
Thom Hamilton
Rodney Welch
Ben Westerburg

The meeting was opened with prayer from Pastor Gary Sapp of Harvest Church. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by accomplished talented arts student, Georgia Moffett.

Motion to Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the Minutes of the March 17, 2026 Regular Council Meeting.

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

Recognitions/Presentations

Presentation of the winning entry of the Ouachita Riverfest poster contest to Mayor and Council.

Mayor Mitchell presented a proclamation recognizing April as National Donate Life Month and the Louisiana Organ Procurement Agency for their efforts to raise awareness of organ and tissue donations.

ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

Resolution 880: Resolution declaring the month of April as Fair Housing Month in the City of West Monroe.

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

Resolution 881: Resolution to adopt the procurement policy used to establish the pre-qualified list of residential construction contractors for the Make-A-Difference (MAD) grant.

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

Resolution 882: Resolution to authorize issuing a Request For Qualifications (RFQ) for selecting Construction Contractors for CDBG-Funded Homeowner Rehabilitation Program for the Make-A-Difference (MAD) grant.

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

Ordinance 5583: Ordinance to approve and authorize execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with SOS Pets of Ouachita.

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

Ordinance 5584: Ordinance to authorize execution of a Service Agreement with Ouachita Medical Clinic, LLC for physician oversight and administration of firefighter cancer screening.

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

Ordinance 5585: Ordinance to authorize execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for storm debris removal operations.

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

BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

Ordinance 5586: Ordinance to rezone property located at 405 Coleman Ave. (Assessor Parcel #39440) from a R-2 (Multiple-family Residence) District to a B-3 (General Business) District. Mark Allen Terral, applicant. Received a FAVORABLE recommendation from the Planning Commission.

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

WMPD

Ordinance 5587: Ordinance to authorize, approve, ratify and confirm execution of a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City and Metro Narcotics regarding the transfer of a certain seized vehicle.

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

ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Sunshine Heights Drainage Improvements - City Project #C22024

Authorize Change Order No. 5 for Kepper Trucking & Dirt Contracting, LLC (+ \$133,616.00, + 30 days) for the Sunshine Heights Drainage Improvements Project.

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

Project Updates

Jonathan Kaufman, City Project Manager, Director of Building and Development presented the Council with updates on debris removal, street and drainage projects and more.

ADJOURN

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

ANDREA PATE
CITY CLERK

STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL
MAYOR