

## **BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING**

# Tuesday, May 21, 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 Morgan Buxton Thom Hamilton Rodney Welch Ben Westerburg

The meeting was opened with prayer by Alderman Ben Westerburg. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Polk Brian.

#### **Motion to Approve Minutes**

Motion to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion made by Welch, Seconded by Buxton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Buxton, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

#### **ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE**

Ordinance 5323: Introduce Ordinance to adopt a General Fund and Special Revenue Fund Budgets for the City of West Monroe for the fiscal year of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

<u>Ordinance 5324</u>: Introduce Ordinance to adopt a Utility Enterprise Fund Budget for the City of West Monroe Utility Fund for the fiscal year of July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Motion made by Buxton, Seconded by Hamilton.

#### **LEGAL**

<u>Ordinance 5325</u>: Ordinance to ratify acceptance of a Donation of a tract of immovable property and a Grant of Rights of Way from Autobody Specialist, Inc. for the New Drago Street Sewer Lift Station project.

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

Ordinance 5326: Introduce Ordinance to sell surplus scoreboards to Good Hope Middle School.

Motion made by Buxton, Seconded by Hamilton.

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#### **ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

Trenton Street Shared-Use Path - State Project #H.015660 - City Project #000218

<u>Ordinance 5327</u>: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with S.E. Huey Co. for Engineering Services.

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

Otis Street Rehabilitation - State Project #H.013518 - City Project #000145

Authorize Change Order No. 8 (- \$92,657.29 + 0 days) with Amethyst Construction, Inc. subject to the availability of City funds and DOTD approval of the Change Order and DOTD funding of their share of the Change Order.

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

McMillan Road Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Improvements - City Project #CP0087

Authorize City Clerk to advertise for bids (estimated cost: \$175,000.00).

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

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

Authorize invitation to contractors to submit letter bids for the project (estimated construction cost: \$90,000).

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

Kiroli Park Trails - LWCF Grant - City Project #C24002

<u>Ordinance 5328</u>: Review submitted bids and TBA's recommendations, and if project is awarded, approve **Ordinance** to accept that bid, and to authorize execution of a contract for project construction with that bidder (recommended bid to accept: base bid of Ryan Watson Construction of \$120,000.00).

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

<u>Kiroli Park Sunken Gardens</u> - City Project #AARP

ADD TO AGENDA: Ordinance to authorize acceptance of Community Challenge Grant from AARP, and to authorize the execution of the associated Memorandum of Understanding (\$20,000 from AARP for the "sunken gardens" project at Kiroli Park).

Motion made by Buxton, Seconded by Hamilton. Voting Yea: Brian, Buxton, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg PAGE 3 COUNCIL MINUTES MAY 21, 2024

# <u>Kiroli Park Sunken Gardens</u> - City Project #AARP

<u>Ordinance 5329</u>: Ordinance to authorize acceptance of a Community Challenge Grant from AARP, and to authorize the execution of the associated Memorandum of Understanding (\$20,000 from AARP for the "sunken gardens" project at Kiroli Park.

Motion made by Buxton, Seconded by Welch. Voting Yea: Brian, 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 Buxton, Seconded by Hamilton. Voting Yea: Brian, Buxton, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg	
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
CINDY EMORY CITY CLERK	STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL MAYOR