



**BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING**  
**Tuesday, February 17, 2026 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  
Polk Brian  
Morgan Buxton  
Thom Hamilton  
Rodney Welch  
Ben Westerburg

The meeting was opened with prayer by Alderman Ben Westerburg. Mayor Staci Albritton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion to Approve Minutes**

Motion to approve the Minutes of the February 3, 2026 Regular Council Meeting.

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

**Recognitions/Presentations**

City of West Monroe employees were recognized for years of service.

The Mayor presented the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) members with a proclamation for America250.

**ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE**

Ordinance 5570: Ordinance to accept the recommendation of an award in response to the Request for Proposals for Emergency Management Consulting Services, and to authorize execution of a contractual agreement in accordance with that award.

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

**LEGAL**

Resolution 873: Resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the City of West Monroe, State of Louisiana, to authorize the renewal of a sales and use tax therein.

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

**ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

West Monroe Sports Complex Parking Addition - City Project #250022

Review submitted bids and engineer's recommendations, and if the project is to be awarded,

Ordinance 5571: Ordinance to accept awarded bid, and to authorize execution of a contract for project construction with the low bidder (Grindstone Construction, LLC; \$222,701.00).

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

Cypress/Slack Drainage Improvements also known as Cypress Detention South - City Project #000209

Ordinance 5572: Ordinance to authorize the Mayor to certify the availability of local funding, as updated, and to affirm the commitment of the required local funds for the project by the City.

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

Project Updates

Jonathan Kaufman, City Project Manager, Director of Building & Development presented the City Council with project updates for transportation, drainage, and more as well as updates on the clean up from Winter Storm Fern.

**ADJOURN**

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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ANDREA PATE  
CITY CLERK

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STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL  
MAYOR