

## BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, November 07, 2023 at 6:00 PM

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

# MINUTES

### **NOTICE/MINUTES**

## Call to order/Verification of Attendance

<u>PRESENT</u> Mayor Staci Mitchell Polk Brian Thom Hamilton Rodney Welch Ben Westerburg

<u>ABSENT</u> Morgan Buxton

The meeting was opened with prayer by New Iona Presbyterian Church Pastor Lane Thompson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Highland Elementary School 5th grader Emma Lea.

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2023 Special Council Meeting.

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

#### **BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**Tabled:** Ordinance to annex property located at 525 Thomas Road, West Monroe. TJO Holdings, LLC, applicant. Received a **favorable** review from the Planning Commission.

**Tabled:** Ordinance to rezone property located at 525 Thomas Road, West Monroe, from an O-L (Open Land) District to a B-3 (General Business) District. Assessor parcel #19796, #19798 & #19799. TJO Holdings, LLC, applicant. Received a **favorable** review from the Planning Commission.

#### LEGAL

<u>Ordinance 5157</u>: Ordinance to amend Sec. 2-4001 of the Code of Ordinances to authorize the Mayor to establish a policy for the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction services, and professional services for the City in the conduct of all of its federal programs, and to establish the related procurement methods and procedures.

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

#### WMPD

<u>Ordinance 5248</u>: Ordinance to sell service firearm to retired Major Gary Aldridge. Introduced at the October 3, 2023 City Council meeting.

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

### **ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

#### West Monroe Sports Complex - Project #000179

Authorize Change Order No. 005 (+ \$49,707.00; + 0 days) with Lincoln Builders of Ruston, Inc.

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

#### Downtown Impr (Ph 1): Bridge St - Pine St - State Project #H.014676 - City Project #000193

<u>Ordinance 5258</u>: Ordinance to authorize execution of an Entity/State Agreement w/LA DOTD for State Project No. H.014676, Downtown Improvements (Phase 1): Bridge St - Pine St.

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

Flanagan Street Water Main Replacement - Project #000202

Accept/Reject bids. All submitted bids exceeded Engineer's estimate and rejected.

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

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Authorize the City Clerk to re-advertise for bids.

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

Mane Street Cross Drain Repair - Project #C23012

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+ \$1,050.00 + 0 days) with BGW Construction, LLC.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Welch. Voting Yea: Brian, 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, water and other.

#### ADJOURN

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

CINDY EMORY CITY CLERK STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL MAYOR