



BOARD OF ALDERMEN SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, December 03, 2024 at 5:30 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

Thom Hamilton

Ben Westerburg

ABSENT

Morgan Buxton

Rodney Welch

Motion to Approve Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes of November 12, 2024 Special Council Meeting.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Brian.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

Ordinance No. 5418: Ordinance to authorize an application for an Assistance to Firefighter Grant (AFG) for a new pumper truck in the amount of \$225,000 (required City contribution of \$504,495).

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Ordinance No. 5419: Ordinance to amend the provisions of Part 8 of the Code of Ordinances to establish the Downtown Garbage Collection District.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Ordinance No. 5420: Ordinance to authorize a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Flying Heart Brewing & Pub for use of a shared dumpster for use in the Downtown Garbage Collection District.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Ordinance to authorize updated Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Ouachita Green (continuation of existing CEA). **Tabled Indefinitely.**

BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

Ordinance No. 5421: Ordinance requesting a zone change from a B-3 (General Business) District to a R-1 (Single Family Residential) District for property located at 105 N Church Street (Parcel #39292) to be able to restore the former family home. Debbie W. Blue et al., applicants. Received a FAVORABLE recommendation from the West Monroe City Planning Commission.

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

LEGAL

Ordinance No. 5422: Ordinance to authorize a Contract To Purchase and Sell for the sale of certain surplus immovable property to Warhawk Enterprises, LLC (affecting the ponds south of the Ike Hamilton Expo Center) for \$270,000.00. Tabled at November 12, 2024 Special Meeting.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Brian.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Constitution Drive Improvements: Commercial Parkway to Short Constitution Drive - (DRA CIF) State Project #LA-7332, City Project #000311

Ordinance No. 5423: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with Lazenby & Associates, Inc. for engineering services.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Constitution Drive Improvements: Commercial Parkway to Short Constitution Drive - (DRA CIF) State Project #LA-7332, City Project #000311

Ordinance No. 5424: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with Terracon for geotechnical engineering services.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Cotton Street Utility, Water, & Sewer Improvements: Pine Street to Wood Street - (DRA SEDAP) State Project #LA-7333, City Project #000312

Ordinance No. 5425: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with Lazenby & Associates, Inc. for engineering services.

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Westerburg.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Cotton Street Improvements: Bridge Street to Wood Street - (Capital Outlay), City Project #000331

Ordinance No. 5426: Ordinance to authorize execution of a contract with Lazenby & Associates, Inc. for engineering services.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

Class Street Sewer Lift Station - City Project #000313

Ordinance No. 5427: Ordinance to review submitted bids and engineer's recommendations, and if project is awarded, Ordinance to accept awarded bid, and to authorize execution of a contract for project construction with the low bidder (Ouachita Electrical Contractors, LLC; \$38,749.50)

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Westerburg

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

Ordinance No. 5428: Review submitted bids and engineer'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 (Don M. Barron Contractor, Inc. - \$5,601,381.00).

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

ANDREA PATE
CITY CLERK

STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL
MAYOR