



BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 6:00 PM

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

MINUTES

NOTICE/MINUTES

Call to order/Verification of Attendance

Motion to Approve Minutes

ADD TO AGENDA: Motion to add a resolution to the agenda to approve the appointment of Jason Pleasant as the Chief of Police of the City of West Monroe.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Buxton.

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion made by Welch, Seconded by Hamilton.

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

Recognitions/Presentations

Presentation of awards by Stuart Hodnett, Co-Director of Parks and Recreation, recognizing the Keep WM Beautiful Spring Poster Contest winners.

Presentation of certificates by Denise Calhoun, Director of Human Resources, for City of West Monroe Employee Recognitions.

LEGAL

Ordinance 5169: **INTRODUCE** Ordinance to authorize a lease of certain described property or properties owned by the City not needed for any public purpose, but subject to FEMA restrictions (104 Royal Street, William Edward Pearson).

Motion made by Buxton, Seconded by Brian.

Public hearing on the proposed creation of the West Monroe Hotel Corridor Economic Development District, State of Louisiana, and the levy of an ad valorem tax therein.

Ordinance 5170: Ordinance to create the West Monroe Hotel Corridor Economic Development District, State of Louisiana, in accordance with and as authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; defining the boundaries thereof; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Westerburg.

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

Ordinance 5171: Ordinance to authorize the levy of a five (5) mills ad valorem tax within the West Monroe Hotel Corridor Economic Development District, State of Louisiana, directing that such ad valorem tax in the District will be used to provide funds for economic development projects in accordance with and as authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Welch.

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

Public hearing on the proposed creation of the West Monroe ISF Hotels Economic Development District, State of Louisiana, and the levy of a hotel occupancy tax therein.

Ordinance 5172: Ordinance to create the West Monroe ISF Hotels Economic Development District, State of Louisiana, in accordance with and as authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; defining the boundaries thereof; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Buxton.

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

Ordinance 5173: Ordinance to authorize the levy of a hotel occupancy tax within the West Monroe ISF Hotels Economic Development District, State of Louisiana, directing that such hotel occupancy tax in the District will be used to provide funds for economic development projects in accordance with and as authorized by Part II of Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Welch.

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

Ordinance 5174: Ordinance to establish "Chapter 4 - Payments, Collections and Penalties" of "Part 7 - Municipal Utilities" of the Code of Ordinances, City of West Monroe, consisting of Sec. 7-5001, et seq.; to renumber Sec. 7-1020 as Sec. 7-5001 and to renumber Sec. 7-2023 as Sec. 7-5002; to update and clarify the provisions of both new Sec. 7-5001 and new Sec. 7-5002, both providing for payments, collections and penalties relating to monthly charges for water, sewerage, and/or garbage.

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Hamilton.

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

WMPD

Resolution 814: Resolution to approve the appointment of Jason Pleasant as the Chief of Police of the City of West Monroe.

Motion made by Welch, Seconded by Buxton.

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

ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Kiroli Dog Park Improvements - Project #C23004

Authorization to invite a minimum of three (3) bidders to submit letter bids for construction of the improvements.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

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

Constitution Dr. - Short Constitution Rehab - State Project #H.014689 - City Project #000169

Ordinance 5175: Ordinance to authorize execution of the construction contract between the City and Amethyst Construction, Inc.

Motion made by Buxton, Seconded by Brian.

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, water and other.

ADJOURN

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

CHRISTEN HEATH
CITY CLERK

STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL
MAYOR