



## BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 6:00 PM

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

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### MINUTES

**Public Comments:** Any person present who wishes to comment on any matter prior to the vote on that matter should stand prior to the vote and request an opportunity to comment. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes per speaker, and the number of speakers may be limited on a subject.

#### NOTICE/MINUTES

- 1) Motion to approve the minutes of the August 1, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

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Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg.

Voting Yea: Buxton, Hamilton, Westerburg

#### Call to order/Verification of Attendance

##### PRESENT

Mayor Staci Mitchell

Morgan Buxton

Thom Hamilton

Ben Westerburg

##### ABSENT

Polk Brian

Rodney Welch

#### Motion to Approve Minutes

#### Recognitions/Presentations

- 1) City of West Monroe Employee Recognitions.

#### Mayor's Review

#### Community Announcements

#### ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE

#### BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT

- 1) Authorize Change Order #1 to the construction contract with 318 Construction, LLC, for the repair and renovation of the building located at 508 Austin Avenue (Children's Coalition Early Head Start (+\$19,788.09)).

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Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Buxton.

Voting Yea: Buxton, Hamilton, Westerburg

#### CODE ENFORCEMENT

**LEGAL**

- 2) **INTRODUCE** Ordinance to authorize a Site Host Agreement with Francis Energy, LLC (would allow EV chargers to be located in the IKE parking lot if grant for partial costs of construction received).

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**PUBLIC WORKS**

**COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**PARKS AND RECREATION**

**POLICE/FIRE**

**WMFD**

- 1) Resolution to participate in the Temporary Housing and Shelter Assistance Program administered through the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP), and to authorize execution of the Expedited Temporary Housing Assistance Waiver Form.

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**WMPD**

- 1) Ordinance to authorize execution of the 2024 Louisiana Highway Safety Grant Agreement and Contract for FFY 2024.

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Motion made by Buxton, Seconded by Westerborg.  
Voting Yea: Buxton, Westerborg

- 2) **INTRODUCE** Ordinance to sell service firearm to retired Major Gary Aldridge.

**ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

- 3) Class Street Cross Drain Replacement - Project #CP0134

Ordinance to accept low bid, and to authorize a contract for project construction with the low bidder.

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Motion made by Westerborg, Seconded by Hamilton.  
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- 4) Kirolu Dog Park Improvements - Project #C23004

Ordinance to authorize a contract for project construction with BGW Construction, LLC (\$106,286.02).

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5) Project Updates

Gary Eldridge, City Engineer

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/OTHER BUSINESS**

6) General Fund and Utility Fund Monthly Budget Reports.

7) West Monroe Fire Department July Fire Report.

**ADJOURN**

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