

## **BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING**

# Tuesday, October 01, 2024 at 6:00 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 Rodney Welch Ben Westerburg

#### **ABSENT**

Morgan Buxton

The meeting was opened with prayer by New Iona Presbyterian Church Pastor Lane Thompson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ouachita 4H members.

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

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

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

### **Recognitions/Presentations**

Mayor Mitchell presented the Ouachita 4H program with a proclamation honoring National 4H Week, October 7th - 12th.

## **Mayor's Review**

### Read aloud by the Mayor: Notice of Public Meeting

Notice is hereby given that at its meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at its regular meeting place, the West Monroe Council Chambers, 2305 N. 7th Street, West Monroe, Louisiana, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen plan to consider adopting a resolution ordering and calling an election to be held in the City of West Monroe, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of an ad valorem tax therein.

## **ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE**

<u>Ordinance 5397</u>: Ordinance to approve the Agency Participation Agreement with the Office of Debt Recovery.

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

## LEGAL

<u>Ordinance 5398</u>: Introduce Ordinance to declare a certain alleyway as surplus, and to sell it to Michael Thomas Mayo (an adjoining landowner).

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg.

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#### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Ordinance 5399: Ordinance to authorize a joint funding agreement for water sources investigations with the U.S. Geological Survey, U.S. Department of the Interior (annual agreement: \$21,590 City, \$7,600 USGS).

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

## **ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

New Drago Street Sanitary Sewer Lift Station, Planning & Construction - State Project #50-MV2-21-01, City Project #000180

Ordinance to authorize execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the State of Louisiana, Office of Facility Planning and Control (FP&C) relating to the project "New Drago Street Sanitary Sewer Lift Station, Planning and Construction". [October 12,2021]. **Tabled indefinitely.** 

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

Arkansas Rd Utility Relocation (North 7th St to Otis St) - City Project #000213

<u>Ordinance 5400</u>: 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 selected bidder.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

McMillan Road Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Improvements (LGAP FY20-21) - City Project #CP0087

<u>Ordinance 5401</u>: Review submitted bids and engineer's recommendations, and Ordinance to accept bid, and to authorize execution of a contract for project construction (McLemore Service Contractors, LLC. - \$201,400.00).

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

Downing Pines Industrial Park Drainage Improvements (EDA) - City Project #000122

Authorize Change Order No. 2 (+\$231,950.41; +180 days) with Bentz Construction Group, LLC.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Westerburg.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

<u>Downing Pines Industrial Park Drainage Improvements (EDA)</u> - City Project #000122

Authorize Certificate of Substantial Completion with Bentz Construction Group, LLC.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Welch.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

Flanagan Street Water Main Improvements (CWEF FY20-21) - City Project #000202

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+\$37,522.81; +15 days) with McLemore Service Contractors, LLC.

Motion made by Welch, Seconded by Westerburg.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

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Otis Street Fire Station Driveway	/ Repair ·	- Cit	y Pro	ject	#000318
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Authorize Change Order No. 1 (-\$1,548.00; +0 days) with BGW Construction, LLC.

Motion made by Westerburg, Seconded by Hamilton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerburg

Otis Street Fire Station Driveway Repair - City Project #000318

Authorize Certificate of Substantial Completion with BGW Construction, LLC.

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

Phillips St Water Main Improvements (CWEF FY22-23) - City Project #000201

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+\$3,000.00; 0 days) with TAC Agency, Inc.

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

#### **Project Updates**

Robbie L. George, IV, P.E. (S.E. Huey Co.) and Brooke E. Edmondson (Lazenby & Associates, Inc.) presented the City Council with project updates for transportation, drainage and more.

## **ADJOURN**

CITY CLERK

CINDY EMORY	STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
Voting Yea: Brian, Hamilton, Welch, Westerb	

**MAYOR**