

# **BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING**

# Tuesday, May 20, 2025 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 Morgan Buxton Thom Hamilton Rodney Welch

## **ABSENT**

Ben Westerburg

The meeting was opened with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance by Mayor Staci Mitchell.

# **Motion to Approve Minutes**

Motion to approve the Minutes of the May 8, 2025 Special Council Meeting.

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

#### **Recognitions/Presentations**

A proclamation was presented to Public Works Director Daryl Platt for National Public Works Week, May 18-24.

## **ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE**

<u>Ordinance 5480</u>: Ordinance to authorize the City to renew an agreement with The Picard Group to provide certain lobbying and related services at the state and federal level (\$9,000/monthly).

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

### **BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT**

<u>Resolution 860</u>: Resolution to appoint Gregory R. Hudgins, Jr. to the Historic Preservation Commission to serve the unexpired term of Nora Collins, expiring October 1, 2028.

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

Ordinance 5481: Ordinance to rezone property located at 913 Warren Drive (Assessor Parcel #138175) from a B-1 (Transitional Business) District to an R-1 (Single Family Residential) District. Pigs Flying, LLC (Kenneth Griffin) applicant. Received a FAVORABLE recommendation by the Planning Commission.

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

# **POLICE/FIRE**

#### **WMFD**

Motion to authorize acquisition of a Rescue Pumper fire truck pursuant to the provisions provided by R.S. 38:2212.1.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Buxton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Buxton, Hamilton, Welch

### **WMPD**

<u>Ordinance 5474</u>: Ordinance to authorize the sale of certain movable property from the West Monroe Police Department to Patriot Pawn, LLC. (Introduced at April 14, 2025 meeting, properly advertised thereafter).

Motion made by Brian, Seconded by Westerburg (April 14, 2025 meeting)

Voting Yea: Brian, Buxton, Hamilton, Welch

# **ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**

Exchange Street Drainage Improvements - City Project #000329

Authorize solicitation for bids (estimated cost: \$140,280.00).

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

North 7th Street Bicycle/Pedestrian Path (Arkansas Road to Otis Street) - City Project #000121

Authorize Change Order No. 2 (+ \$12,542.10; + 7 days) with CW&W Contractors, Inc.

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

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

Authorize Change Order No. 1 (+ \$8,200.00; + 63 days) with McLemore Service Contractors, LLC.

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Buxton.

Voting Yea: Brian, Buxton, Hamilton, Welch

#### **Project Updates**

6Jonathan Kaufman, City Project Manager, Director of Building & Development presented the City Council with project updates for transportation, drainage, and more.

### **ADJOURN**

Motion made by Hamilton, Seconded by Brian. Voting Yea: Brian, Buxton, Hamilton, Welch	
ATTEST:	APPROVED:
ANDREA PATE	STACI ALBRITTON MITCHELL
CITY CLERK	MAYOR