

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
WEST MONROE CITY COUNCIL

July 8, 2014

There was a regular meeting of the West Monroe City Council held on Tuesday, July 8, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the West Monroe City Hall.

Those present were Mayor Dave Norris, Aldermen James Brian, James Bennett and Thomas Hamilton, Alderwomen Staci Albritton-Mitchell and Alice Pearson.

The invocation was offered by Jerry Edmondson.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2014 Regular Council Meeting.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to approve payment of the June 2014 billings, subject to audit by the Finance Committee.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to appoint Mr. James Brian as Mayor Pro-Tempore.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton to approve a resolution approving a Systems Survey and Questionnaire for the time period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. Resolution 659:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SYSTEMS SURVEY AND COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE TO LOUISIANA MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2013 TO JUNE 30, 2014, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brian to approve an ordinance to authorize execution of an Engagement Letter with Cameron, Hines & Company, CPAs, to apply certain agreed upon procedures for the fiscal year of July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014 (West Monroe, Louisiana Housing Authority). Ordinance 4205:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA HOUSING AUTHORITY, TO ENGAGE CAMERON, HINES & COMPANY (A PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTING CORPORATION) TO APPLY CERTAIN AGREED UPON PROCEDURES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA HOUSING AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2013 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2014, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mrs. Pearson to approve an ordinance to declare certain movable property as surplus, and to be sold by public internet auction (surplus fire alarm devises, West Monroe Community Center). Ordinance 4206:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO SELL CERTAIN DESCRIBED TANGIBLE NON-CONSUMABLE MOVABLE PROPERTY WHICH IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC PURPOSE BY THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, THROUGH INTERNET COMPUTER AUCTION PURSUANT TO R.S. 33.4711.1; THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA RESERVING THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS AND/OR REMOVE ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THAT MOVABLE PROPERTY FROM THE SALE, IF APPROPRIATE; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mr. Brian, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to approve a resolution of endorsement of renewal application for Restoration Tax Abatement Contract for Stephen R. Hall and Rebecca R. Hall (412 Trenton Street-formerly 400 Trenton Street) Resolution 660:

A RESOLUTION STATING THE CITY OF WEST MONROE'S ENDORSEMENT OF STEPHEN R. HALL AND REBECCA R. HALL APPLICATION FOR A RENEWAL OF THEIR RESTORATION TAX ABATEMENT CONTRACT AND THEIR PROJECT, RENOVATION/RESTORATION OF BUILDING LOCATED AT 412 TRENTON STREET (FORMERLY 400 TRENTON STREET), WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BENEFITS OF THE LOUISIANA RESTORATION TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to approve a resolution appointing Marion "Bee" Meadows to the City of West Monroe Board of Adjustments for the unexpired term ending March 1, 2017. Resolution 661:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF MARION "BEE" MEADOWS TO THE CITY OF WEST MONROE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS, FOR A TERM EXPIRING MARCH 1, 2017, AND FURTHER PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to Amend Sec. 10-5037 and Sec. 10-5044 of the Code of Ordinances, City of West Monroe, Louisiana (to allow off-premises sign at WMHS). Ordinance 4207:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10-5037 AND SECTION 10-5044 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, TO PROVIDE THAT THE LIMITATIONS IN SECTION 10-5037(4), SECTION 10-5037(6), AND SECTION 10-5044(2) SHALL NOT APPLY TO AN OFF-PREMISES SIGN WHICH IS CONSTRUCTED ON THE PROPERTY OF A PUBLIC ENTITY WHEN ALL NET PROCEEDS DERIVED FROM THE OFF-PREMISES SIGN ARE UTILIZED SOLELY FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY WHERE THE OFF-PREMISES SIGN IS LOCATED; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to re-zone property located at the corner of Travis and North 7th Street, from R-1 (Single Family Residential) District to B-3 (General Business) District. Ouachita Parish School Board/West Monroe High School, applicant. Received a favorable review from the Planning Commission. Ordinance 4208:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, PARTICULARLY THE ZONING MAP ANNEXED TO AND MADE A PART OF ORDINANCE NO. 1501, AS THAT ZONING MAP, AS CODIFIED BY SECTION 12-5011(C) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, HAS BEEN FROM TIME TO TIME AMENDED, AND PARTICULARLY TO AMEND THAT ZONING MAP AS IT PERTAINS TO CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED ON NORTH 7TH STREET, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A2", PURSUANT TO THE APPLICATION OF OUACHITA PARISH SCHOOL BOARD/WEST MONROE HIGH SCHOOL, SO AS TO RE-ZONE THE PROPERTY LISTED ON EXHIBIT "A2" FROM A R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) DISTRICT TO A B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS) DISTRICT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS; TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE CITY ENGINEER OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, OR OTHER PERSON ACTING IN LIEU THEREOF AT THE DESIGNATION OF THE MAYOR TO DO AND PERFORM ANY AND ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE FOREGOING AND PARTICULARLY TO NOTE THE AMENDMENTS ON THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE AS HEREIN ENACTED; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to re-zone property located at 112 & 114 Lee Street, from a B-1 (Transitional Business) District to B-3 (General Business) District. Roger & Rebecca Kimball, applicants. Received a favorable review from the Planning Commission. Ordinance 4209:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND RE-ENACTING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, PARTICULARLY THE ZONING MAP ANNEXED TO AND MADE A PART OF ORDINANCE NO. 1501, AS THAT ZONING MAP, AS CODIFIED BY SECTION 12-5011(C) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, HAS BEEN FROM TIME TO TIME AMENDED, AND PARTICULARLY TO AMEND THAT ZONING MAP AS IT PERTAINS TO CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED 112 AND 114 LEE STREET, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A", PURSUANT TO THE APPLICATION OF ROGER AND REBECCA KIMBALL, SO AS TO RE-ZONE THE PROPERTY LISTED ON EXHIBIT "A" FROM A B-1 (TRANSITIONAL BUSINESS) DISTRICT TO A B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS) DISTRICT; TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE CITY ENGINEER OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, OR OTHER PERSON ACTING IN LIEU THEREOF AT THE DESIGNATION OF THE MAYOR TO DO AND PERFORM

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PARTICULARLY TO NOTE THE AMENDMENTS ON THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE AS HEREIN ENACTED; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mrs. Mitchell and unanimously carried to authorize Change Order #4 – New Pavilion at Kiroli Park (+ \$6,748.83 + 7 days; Ragan Builders, Inc).

There was a motion by Mr. Brian, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to authorize Certificate of Substantial Completion – Downing Pines & New Natchitoches Water Main Rehab Project (Community Water Enrichment Fund – Jabar Corporation).

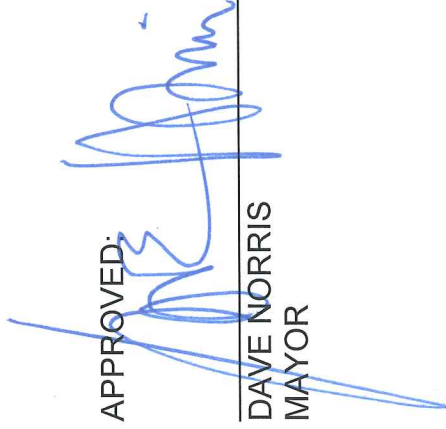
There was a motion by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to authorize City Clerk to advertise for bids for a new generator for the West Monroe Fire Department.

There being no further business, there was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mrs. Mitchell and unanimously carried to adjourn.

ATTEST:


BENNY CHÉLETTE
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:


DAVE NORRIS
MAYOR