

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
WEST MONROE CITY COUNCIL

July 12, 2016

There was a regular meeting of the West Monroe City Council held on Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the West Monroe City Hall.

Those present were Mayor Dave Norris, Aldermen James Bennett, James Brian and Thomas Hamilton and Alderwoman Staci Mitchell.

The invocation was offered by Jerry Edmondson.

There was a motion by Mr. Brian, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the June 14, 2016 Regular Council Meeting and the June 28, 2016 Special Council Meeting.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Mitchell and unanimously carried to approve payment of the June 2016 billings, subject to audit by the Finance Committee.

There was a motion by Mr. Brian, seconded by Mr. Bennett and unanimously carried to approve an order to condemn and demolish structures located at 501 Cypress Street, West Monroe, Louisiana (Huey Pierce Hutson and Virginia Columbus Hutson).

There was a motion by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Bennett and unanimously carried to approve a motion to appoint Mr. Thom Hamilton, Mayor Pro-Tempore.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to supercede provisions of Ordinance No. 3606 and Ordinance No. 4244, to now eliminate restrictions on certain activities at 1200 Arkansas Road (allows all B-1 activities at location of former McGuire United Methodist Church). Received a favorable review from the Planning Commission. Ordinance 4386:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 3606 AND ORDINANCE No. 4244 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, IN ORDER TO MODIFY THE RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED INCIDENT TO THE RE-ZONING APPROVED IN THAT ORDINANCE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Mitchell and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to amend provisions of Ordinance No. 3876 (907/911 Warren Drive)-allows establishment of a funeral home, with or without an associated flower shop. Received a favorable review from the Planning Commission. Ordinance 4387:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 3876 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, IN ORDER TO MODIFY THE RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED INCIDENT TO THE RE-ZONING APPROVED IN THAT ORDINANCE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to amend Section 12-5014(a)(3) of the Code of Ordinances, to add "funeral home, with or without an associated flower shop" as a special exception use in a B-1 District, subject to such general or site specific appropriate conditions and stipulations as may be imposed. Received a favorable review from the Planning Commission. Ordinance 4388:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 12-5014(a)(3) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, TO ADD "FUNERAL HOME, WITH OR WITHOUT AN ASSOCIATED FLOWER SHOP" AS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE IN A B-1 DISTRICT, SUBJECT TO SUCH GENERAL OR SITE SPECIFIC APPROPRIATE CONDITIONS AND STIPULATIONS AS MAY BE IMPOSED; TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mr. Brian, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to authorize execution of amendment to Triple Net Lease (former Hibernia Computer Center, 206 N. 3rd & additional area0. Ordinance 4389:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THAT LEASE AGREEMENT APPROVED BY ORDINANCE NO. 3415, TO EXPAND THE EXTENT OF THE LEASED PREMISES AND INCREASE THE RENTAL, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Bennett and unanimously carried to open and accept/reject bids on West Monroe City Street Improvement Program – Group II. They were as follows:

<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Amethyst Construction	\$2,945,430.38
Diamond B Construction	\$2,987,282.54
D & J Construction	\$3,112,961.18

Bid awarded to Amethyst Construction.

There was a motion by Mr. Brian, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to open and accept/reject bids on Ike Hamilton Expo Center West Access Drive Reconstruction. They were as follows:

<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>BID AMOUNT</u>
Amethyst Construction	\$184,875.90
WL Bass Construction	\$174,150.20

Bid awarded to WL Bass Construction.

There was a motion by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to add to the agenda an ordinance authorizing the application of a grant with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance authorizing the filing of an application with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development for a grant to aid in the financing of operating or capital assistance projects. Ordinance 4390:


AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION OR APPLICATIONS WITH THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT FOR A GRANT UNDER 49 CFR 5310, TO AID IN THE FINANCING OF OPERATING OR CAPITAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS, THE CERTIFICATION OF CERTAIN AUTHORIZATIONS, THE EXECUTION OF CERTAIN AGREEMENTS, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

ATTEST:


BENNY CHELETTE
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:


DAVE NORRIS
MAYOR