

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
WEST MONROE CITY COUNCIL

August 11, 2015

There was a regular meeting of the West Monroe City Council held on Tuesday, August 11, 2015, 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 and Alderwomen Alice Pearson and Staci Mitchell.

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 July 14, 2015 Regular Council Meeting and the July 21, 2015 Special Council Meeting

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve payment of the July 2015 billings, subject to audit by the Finance Committee.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to declare certain movable property (garbage truck) as surplus, and to be sold to the Town of Farmerville. Ordinance 4300:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO SELL CERTAIN DESCRIBED MOVABLE PROPERTY WHICH IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC PURPOSE BY THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO THE TOWN OF FARMERVILLE, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to approve a resolution approving a Systems Survey and Questionnaire for the time period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015. Resolution 676:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SYSTEMS SURVEY AND COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE TO LOUISIANA MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE TIME PERIOD JULY 1, 2014 TO JUNE 30, 2015 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 amend Sec. 11-5029 of the Code of Ordinances, to provide relative penalties for possession of marijuana, et al. Ordinance 4304:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 11-5029 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, TO DEFINE THE CRIME OF POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA, TETRAHYDROCANNABINOLS, CHEMICAL DERIVATIVES OF TETRAHYDROCANNABINOLS, SYNTHETIC CANNABINOIDS, OR A "DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE", FOLLOWING THE ADOPTION OF A DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE STOP ORDER (AS DEFINED IN R.S. 40:996.1 THROUGH 40:996.7); TO PROVIDE RELATIVE TO PENALTIES FOR POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA WHEN THE AMOUNT POSSESSED IS FOURTEEN GRAMS OR LESS; TO PROVIDE RELATIVE TO PENALTIES FOR POSSESSION OF MARIJUANA WHEN THE AMOUNT POSSESSED IS FOURTEEN GRAMS OR MORE, BUT LESS THAN TWO AND ONE-HALF POUNDS; TO PROVIDE RELATIVE TO A CLEANSING PERIOD FOR CERTAIN OFFENSES; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Bennett and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to amend Sec. 12-5016 (a) (3) of the Code of Ordinances, to provide beverage manufacture (alcoholic) as a special exception use in a B-3 General Business District. Ordinance 4305:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 12-5016(a)(3) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, TO PROVIDE THAT BEVERAGE MANUFACTURE (ALCOHOLIC) IS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE IN A B-3 GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, SUBJECT TO SUCH RESTRICTIONS AS THE PLANNING COMMISSION OR BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS MAY REQUIRE, ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mr. Hamilton, seconded by Mrs. Mitchell and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to amend Sec. 12-5017 (a) (1) of the Code of Ordinances, to provide beverage manufacture (alcoholic) as a use by right in an I-1 Industrial District. Ordinance 4306:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 12-5017(a)(1) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, TO ADD BEVERAGE MANUFACTURE (ALCOHOLIC)" AS A USE BY RIGHT IN AN I-1 DISTRICT; TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Bennett and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to amend Sec. 11-2009 of the Code of Ordinances, relative to the crime of stalking. Ordinance 4307:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 11-2009 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, RELATIVE TO THE CRIME OF STALKING; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to amend Sec. 11-2003.1 of the Code of Ordinances, relative to the crime of domestic abuse battery. Ordinance 4308:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 11-2003.1 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, RELATIVE TO THE CRIME OF DOMESTIC ABUSE BATTERY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to authorize execution of Professional Services Agreement for engineering services with Lazenby & Associates, Inc. relating to construction of City Street Improvement Program – Group 3. Ordinance 4309:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH LAZENBY & ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PROVIDE CERTAIN ENGINEERING AND RELATED SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE CITY STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - GROUP 3; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to declare certain movable property to be surplus, and to be sold through sealed bid auction pursuant to R.S. 49:125 (golf course chain link fencing). Ordinance 4310:

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN TANGIBLE MOVABLE PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC PURPOSE BY THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, AND AUTHORIZING IT TO BE SOLD THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION BY SEALED BID PURSUANT TO R.S.49.125, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN LISTED CONDITIONS; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to authorize Change Order #1 – Ike Hamilton Expo Center parking lot reconstruction/repairs.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Hamilton and unanimously carried to authorize Certificate of Substantial Completion – Ike Hamilton Expo Center parking lot reconstruction/repairs.

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There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mrs. Mitchell and unanimously carried to authorize the City Clerk to advertise for bids for City Street Improvement Program – Group 3.


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

ATTEST:



BENNY CHELETTE
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:



DAVE MORRIS
MAYOR