

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
WEST MONROE CITY COUNCIL

October 8, 2013

There was a regular meeting of the West Monroe City Council held on Tuesday, October 8, 2013, 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 Fred Ragland, Alderwomen Staci Albritton-Mitchell and Alice Pearson.

The invocation was offered by Alderman James Brian.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2013 Regular Council Meeting and the August 30, 2013 Special Council Meeting.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to approve payment of the September 2013 billings, subject to audit by the Finance Committee.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mrs. Albritton-Mitchell and unanimously carried to table until the November 2013 Regular Council Meeting an order to condemn and demolish structures located at 207 Pine Circle – Kevin Eugene Howland & Sydni Nikol Howland, owners; Flagstar Bank, FSB, mortgagee; OPSO, keeper pursuant to foreclosure (tabled from September).

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to approve an order to condemn and demolish structures located at 619 ½ Riggs Street – William T. Head, Delia Head, Frances Head, Deborah Johnson, Katherine Scruggs and Yvonne Head, owners – Jill Goudeau, appointed attorney (tabled from September).

There was a motion by Mrs. Albritton-Mitchell, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance enacting Chapter 5 “Smoke Free Air” to part 8 of the Code of Ordinances, City of West Monroe, Louisiana, consisting of Section 8-5001, prohibitions on smoking (introduced in September). Ordinance 4152:

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING CHAPTER 5 “SMOKE FREE AIR” TO PART 8 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, CONSISTING OF SECTION 8-5001, PROHIBITIONS ON SMOKING, ADOPTING THE PROVISIONS OF STATE LAW BUT ELIMINATING CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS, INCLUDING WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF “SMOKING” THE USE OF ELECTRONIC ORAL DEVICES AS DESCRIBED; PROVIDING AND INCLUDING PROHIBITIONS, EXEMPTIONS, FINES AND ENFORCEMENT; TO ESTABLISH THAT THIS SHALL NOT MODIFY, LIMIT NOR REPEAL THE EXISTING PROVISIONS RELATING TO LIMITATIONS ON SMOKING, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SEC. 2-8001 AND SEC. 6-2076; TO PROVIDE THAT ITS PROVISIONS ARE SEVERABLE; TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

Note: There was a Motion to amend the Ordinance, to eliminate the restriction on electronic cigarettes, by Alderman Fred Ragland. Motion died for lack of a second.

There was a motion by Mrs. Albritton-Mitchell, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to adopt adjusted millage rates and levy the ad valorem taxes authorized for the year 2013 for the City of West Monroe. Ordinance 4156:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE MILLAGE RATES AND LEVYING THE AD VALOREM TAXES AUTHORIZED FOR THE TAX YEAR 2013 FOR THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Bennett and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to declare certain immovable property surplus, and to be sold to Shastri West Monroe, Inc. (Lot 4B, West Monroe Commercial Park Subdivision) (introduced in September). Ordinance 4153:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO SELL CERTAIN DESCRIBED IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WHICH IS NOT NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC PURPOSE BY THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO SHASTRI WEST MONROE, INC., FOR THE CASH SUM OF \$350,000.00, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mrs. Albritton-Mitchell and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to declare certain immovable property surplus, and to be sold to Commander Smokescreen, LLC (204 Commerce Street) (introduced in September). Ordinance 4154:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO SELL CERTAIN DESCRIBED IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WHICH IS NOT NEEDED FOR ANY PUBLIC PURPOSE BY THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO COMMANDER'S SMOKESCREEN, L.L.C., FOR THE CASH SUM OF \$150,000.00, 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 reaffirm/clarify/amend Ordinance No. 3675, revoking an alleyway between 5th Street and 6th Street from Stella Street to Mill Street, subject to an access agreement. Ordinance 4157:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REAFFIRM ORDINANCE NO. 3675, WHICH REVOKED A PORTION OF AN ALLEYWAY IN THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, BEING THAT ALLEYWAY LOCATED IN SQUARE/BLOCK 4 OF T. E. FLOURNOY'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, AS PER PLAT OF RECORD IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 21, RECORDS OF OUACHITA PARISH, LOUISIANA, BOUNDED ON THE NORTH BY THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STELLA STREET, BOUNDED ON THE SOUTH BY THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF MILL STREET, BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY THE WESTERLY BOUNDARY LINES OF LOTS 1 THROUGH 7 AND ON THE WEST BY THE EASTERLY BOUNDARY LINES OF LOTS 8 THROUGH 14, ALL IN SQUARE/BLOCK 4 OF T. E. FLOURNOY'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA, BUT EXCEPTED FROM THE REVOCATION AND RESERVED TO THE CITY ANY AND ALL RIGHTS-OF-WAY, EASEMENTS, SERVITUDES AND SIMILAR RIGHTS OF RECORD OR OF USE FOR THE INSTALLATION, REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF UTILITIES AND UTILITY SERVICES, OF WHATEVER TYPE OR NATURE, WHETHER OWNED OR MAINTAINED BY THE CITY OR OWNED, UTILIZED OR MAINTAINED BY OTHERS PURSUANT TO CITY FRANCHISE, ALL FURTHER SUBJECT TO THE EXECUTION AND RECORDATION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS PROVIDING ACCESS TO THE REAR OF LOT 5, SQUARE/BLOCK 4 OF T. E. FLOURNOY'S FIRST ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to introduce an ordinance to authorize execution of an agreement with Jerry Bailey Enterprises, L.L.C., d/b/a Kooler Ice for installation of an outdoor ice vending machine at the Ike Hamilton Expo Center. Ordinance 4158:

Introduce AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA AND JERRY BAILEY ENTERPRISES, L.L.C., D/B/A KOOLER ICE WITH REGARD TO THE PLACEMENT OF AN OUTDOOR ICE VENDING MACHINE AT THE IKE HAMILTON EXPO CENTER, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

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There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to approve an ordinance to authorize execution of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with BeardFest, a nonprofit corporation, to promote a festival in April 2014. Ordinance 4159:

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF WEST MONROE, LOUISIANA TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WEST MONROE AND BEARDFEST, A NONPROFIT CORPORATION, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT, ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF A CITY AND AREA-WIDE FESTIVAL TO BE CALLED "BEARDFEST"; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

There was a motion by Mrs. Albritton-Mitchell, seconded by Mr. Brian and unanimously carried to authorize Change Order #1 for Sign Project at 7th Square (+ \$589.05, Regan Builders, Inc.).

There was a motion by Mrs. Pearson, seconded by Mrs. Albritton-Mitchell and unanimously carried to authorize Change Order #2 for West Ouachita Senior Center Facility ADA, Federal Confidentiality Requirements, and Building Code Improvements Capital Outlay Project (FP&C Project No. 50-MV2-10-02, R&A Gilmore Enterprises, LLC + \$1,410.00).

There was a motion by Mr. Bennett, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to authorize Change Order #3 for West Ouachita Senior Center Facility ADA, Federal Confidentiality Requirements, and Building Code Improvements Capital Outlay Project (FP&C Project No. 50-MV2-10-02, R&A Gilmore Enterprises, LLC + \$0.00).


There was a motion by Mr. Ragland, seconded by Mrs. Pearson and unanimously carried to authorize Certificate of Substantial Completion for West Ouachita Senior Center Facility ADA, Federal Confidentiality Requirements, and Building Code Improvements Capital Outlay Project (FP&C Project No. 50-MV2-10-02, R&A Gilmore Enterprises, LLC).

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

ATTEST:


BENNY CHELETTE
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:


DAVE NORRIS
MAYOR