

MINUTES

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Springhill, Louisiana met in regular session in the Council Chambers at Springhill City Hall on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 5:00 P.M with Mayor W. Ray Huddleston presiding.

PRESENT: Dimettera Frazier, Dennis Smith, Mike Whitlock, and Derek Melancon, Aldermen.

ABSENT: Alderman Stacey Willard.

Mayor W. Ray Huddleston called the meeting to order.

Alderman Dimettera Frazier opened the meeting with Prayer.

Mayor W. Ray Huddleston led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MOTION was made by Derek Melancon, seconded by Dennis Smith to adopt the minutes from the last regular meeting held on January 12, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Dimettera Frazier, seconded by Mike Whitlock to approve the financial statement for January 2026.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

OLD BUSINESS: Mayor Huddleston said that we just got through an ice storm and we did not lose any water or have any problems thanks to the efforts of Mike Dunaway and the men that work for him. When you see the guys thank them for all they do.

Tanya Capps, Main Street Manager started off by thanking the Springhill City Council, Businesses, Volunteers, Springhill Police Department, and especially all the City Workers for all their hard work and dedication to making the Mardi Gras Festivities and parade a huge success. Everyone worked so hard to make this a wonderful event and it was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone that was in attendance.

Businesses that stayed open reported that they all did well after the event with people shopping and dining. Also, food vendor trucks said they sold more in Springhill than they ever have in the past. Overall, it was a great success.

Match Grant recipients for this quarter are The Lucky Pup II and Honeys Hanger. If you missed out on it this quarter start getting your applications for the next match grant and be watching for when that opens up.

Mayor Huddleston said there were a lot of people in attendance and it was reported that there were about 3,000 people here for the parade and festivities. He went on to thank Tanya for all her hard work and what a great job she did.

MOTION was made by Derek Melancon, seconded by Mike Whitlock to authorize the Mayor to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Webster Parish School Board for a donation of city property contingent upon the recommendation of the City Attorney.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Derek Melancon, seconded by Dennis Smith to Adopt a Resolution raising the garbage rate from \$20 a month to \$25 a month due to the rising costs of landfill disposal fees.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Dimettera Frazier, seconded by Derek Melancon to approve the Police Chief's recommendation to move Tommy Edwards from full time to part-time.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Mike Whitlock, seconded by Dennis Smith to authorize payment of the January 2026 monthly vendor bills totaling \$93,827.83.

MOTION CARRIED.

Announcements: Mayor Huddleston announced that the Springhill Chamber Banquet will be held on April 9, 2026. Anyone interested in attending let Shelli know and she will get you registered for the banquet.

Alderman Melancon thanked Mike Dunaway and all the city workers for their hard work and dedication on keeping the water flowing during the recent ice storm. He also thanked the Springhill Police Department for their dedication and hard work working in the bad weather and roads.

Alderman Dimettera Frazier announced that the 15th annual North Webster Black History Parade will be Saturday, February 14th at 1 PM. Rain date will be the following Saturday just in case. Grand Marshal is Rachael Akrong who is the Springhill Wal-Mart Store Director/Manager.

No further announcements were made.

Meeting Adjourned.

Shelli Malone, LMMC
City Clerk

W. Ray Huddleston
Mayor