

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, July 13, 2026 at 5:00 P.M with Mayor W. Ray Huddleston presiding.

PRESENT: Dennis Smith, Stacey Willard, Mike Whitlock, and Derek Melancon, Aldermen.

ABSENT: Dimettera Frazier.

Mayor W. Ray Huddleston called the meeting to order.

Alderman Mike Whitlock 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 June 8, 2026.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Dennis Smith, seconded by Stacey Willard to approve the financial statement for June 2026.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tanya Capps, Main Street Manager gave an update on Main Street Activities. Freedom Festival was a huge success. We were able to ping cell phones in the area on Main Street, Frank Anthony Park, and at the CAC center. There were a little over 3,500 pings in those areas. Following the Freedom Festival, was the Market on Saturday, July 4th. Thank you to the sponsors and the community for such a great turn out. The match grant closes on July 15th. Please submit your request to Tanya Capps, Main Street Manager.

Alderman Mike Whitlock made a motion to consider going into a cooperative endeavor with Springhill Medical Center for the property located at 203 Reynolds Street. This authority will last for only 90 days and contingent upon Springhill Medical Center receiving grant money for the proposed project. Alderman Dennis Smith seconded the motion. Derek Melancon recused himself since he is employed at Springhill Medical Center.

MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Derek Melancon made a motion to approve spending \$12,000 to clean 4 ground water storage tanks. Alderman Mike Whitlock seconded the motion.

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Alderman Derek Melancon made a motion to approve spending \$15,364.86 for the police department to purchase a computer server. Alderman Mike Whitlock seconded the motion. Chief Will Lynd wanted the money to come out of his diversion account.

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Alderman Derek Melancon made a motion to give Amandia Hamilton a pay raise. Alderman Dennis Smith seconded the motion.

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Alderman Stacey Willard made a motion to give Jakob Sheek a pay raise. Alderman Dennis Smith seconded the motion.

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Alderman Mike Whitlock made a motion to terminate Charles Edgell Sr. Alderman Derek Melancon seconded.

MOTION CARRIED.

Alderman Derek Melancon made a motion to pay June 2026 monthly billing totaling \$238,726.51. Alderman Stacey Willard seconded.

MOTION CARRIED.

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Announcements: Alderman Derek Melancon thanked Tanya Capps and Amber Cobb for all their hard work making the Freedom Festival a success. The fireworks show was a major success to adults and children of Springhill and the surrounding areas. Mayor W Ray Huddleston thanked all the sponsors for supporting our community.

Alderman Mike Whitlock said they had a big crowd at the Jamboree and Bingo.

With no further announcements the meeting was adjourned.

JoAnne Rolen
Assistant City Clerk

W. Ray Huddleston
Mayor