

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, September 8, 2025 at 5:00 P.M with Mayor W. Ray Huddleston presiding.

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

ABSENT: None.

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 Mike Whitlock to adopt the minutes from the last regular meeting held on August 11, 2025.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Stacey Willard, seconded by Dennis Smith to approve the financial statement for August 2025.

MOTION CARRIED.

At this time Mayor Huddleston asked to have the agenda amended to include the following item of city business that had arrived in the mail that morning:

Contract with LA DOTD for the Airfield Lighting Rehabilitation Project at the Springhill Airport and adopt a Resolution to go along with it.

MOTION was made by Derek Melancon, seconded by Mike Whitlock to amend the agenda for this item of city business.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

MOTION was made by Derek Melancon, seconded by Stacey Willard to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with LA DOTD and Adopt the Resolution for the Springhill Airport Airfield Lighting Rehabilitation Project.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Mike Whitlock, seconded by Dennis Smith to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with LA DOTD and Adopt the Resolution for the Springhill Airport General Aviation Maintenance Program 2025.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Derek Melancon, seconded by Stacey Willard to authorize the Mayor to enter into a CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) 2026-2030 and Adopt a Resolution for the Springhill Airport.

MOTION CARRIED.

John French with JBF Engineering & Surveying, LLC was present and made a letter of award recommendation to the Mayor and City Council regarding three quotes obtained for the completion of the Springhill Pavilions and Spray Park.

The three quotes were as follows: 3-D Contracting Corp. -----\$149,333.00
Versatile Construction Corporation-----\$156,520.00
LaDanCo, LLC-----\$172,600.00

MOTION was made by Derek Melancon, seconded by Dennis Smith to go with the lowest quote from 3-D Contracting Corp. contingent upon the state’s approval in the amount of \$149,333.00.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Derek Melancon, seconded by Mike Whitlock to approve the Police Chief’s recommendation to hire De’Aveon Benjamin as a patrol officer.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Stacey Willard, seconded by Dennis Smith to approve the Police Chief's recommendation to move Niki Anderson from patrol officer to narcotics for a probationary period of six months.

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION was made by Mike Whitlock, seconded by Derek Melancon to authorize payment of the August 2025 monthly vendor bills totaling \$105,269.95.

MOTION CARRIED.

Announcements: Mayor Huddleston announced that Darryl Vercher was resigning from the Industrial District Board due to health reasons and the city would need to think of a replacement for him to serve on that board.

Police Chief Will Lynd reminded everyone that the Springhill Rodeo was coming up September 18–20, 2025. This is the 73rd Anniversary of the Springhill Rodeo.

Lee Street Reunion, Inc. will be hosting an appreciation luncheon for the Springhill Police Department, Springhill Fire Department, and the City of Springhill Employees on Wednesday, September 10 at noon.

Men of Progress will be hosting a 911 First Responders appreciation dinner at the Community Activity Center on Thursday, September 11 from 4 PM – 6 PM.

Pineywoods Jamboree will be Saturday, September 13 at 7 PM.

Springhill Medical Center will be conducting a Community Health Needs Assessment Survey which is very important for the hospital and our community and participation will be greatly appreciated.

No further announcements were made.

Meeting Adjourned.

Shelli Malone, LMMC
City Clerk

W. Ray Huddleston
Mayor