

MINUTES OF THE WYNNE CITY COUNCIL
August 13, 2024

The Wynne City Council met at Wynne City Hall on August 13, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor JENNIFER HOBBS presiding. The roll was called, and the following councilpersons answered to their names: CHARLES HAMRICK, LISA CARTER, BILLY FOWLER, KENNETH LOFTON, STEVIE NELSON, LESTER MILLER, JOSHUA WYATT, TYLER WAYMIRE, JASON NICHOLS, and BUCK MORRIS; a quorum was declared. City Clerk, Emily Watts, was present. City Attorney, Kevin A. Watts, was not in attendance.

On the motion of Councilperson Morris and seconded by Councilperson Wyatt and by consent of all Members present, the minutes of a regular council meeting held on July 9, 2024 were approved, accepted, and filed as prepared by the City Clerk.

Zach Morris, Parks & Recreation, Kory Ward, Wynne Fire Department, Richard Dennis, Wynne Police Department, Blake Marotti, Wynne Water, and Jennifer Hobbs, Mayor all provided monthly reports. Jeff Hood, Public Works, provided a written monthly report. On the motion of Councilperson Hamrick and seconded by Councilperson Wyatt, and by consent of all members present, the department reports presented were approved and accepted.

For the First item of business, Mayor Hobbs asked for Council approval to remove police vehicles with the following VIN from the inventory list and sell. Unit 14: VIN 2C3CDXAT0CH156059, Unit 17: VIN 2C3CDXAT9HH559657, Unit 18: VIN 2C3CDXAT7HH559656, and Unit 15: VIN 2C3CDXAT4FH754658. After further discussion, on the motion of Councilperson Hamrick, second by Councilperson Nelson, and by consent of all members present, the police vehicles were approved for decommissioning, sale, and deletion from the inventory list.

For the Second item of business, Fire Chief Kory Ward asked the Council for approval of adding a clerical position to the Wynne Fire Department. After further discussion, on a motion of Councilperson Wyatt, second by Councilperson Miller, and by consent of all members present, the addition of a clerical position to the Wynne Fire Department was approved.

For the Third item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Ordinance 905 “AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE NUMBER OF SUBORDINATE POLICE OFFICERS FOR THE CITY OF WYNNE, ARKANSAS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.” After further discussion, Councilperson Morris, with a second from Councilperson Hamrick, made a motion to suspend the rule requiring an ordinance be read on three different days. The following vote carried the motion:

Carter – aye	Fowler – aye	Hamrick – aye	Lofton – aye
Miller – aye	Morris – aye	Nelson – aye	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wyatt – aye		

Councilperson Morris, with a second by Councilperson Miller, made a motion to adopt Ordinance 905. The following vote carried the motion:

Carter – aye	Fowler – aye	Hamrick – aye	Lofton – aye
Miller – aye	Morris – aye	Nelson – aye	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wyatt – aye		

Mayor Hobbs declared Ordinance 905 adopted.

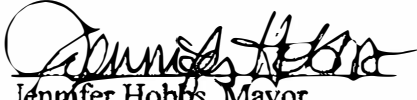
Councilperson Lofton, with a second by Councilperson Morris, made a motion to enact the emergency clause. The following vote carried the motion:

Carter – aye	Fowler – aye	Hamrick – aye	Lofton – aye
Miller – aye	Morris – aye	Nelson – aye	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wyatt – aye		

For the Fourth item of business, Councilperson Morris made a motion to require a citizens to sign up in order to make public comments at the City Council meetings. Councilperson Miller seconded the motion. After further discussion, the following vote carried the motion:

Carter – aye	Fowler – aye	Hamrick – aye	Lofton – aye
Miller – aye	Morris – aye	Nelson – No	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wyatt – aye		

With no further business before the council and upon motion by Councilperson Wyatt, second by Councilperson Nichols, and consent of all, the meeting adjourned.


Jennifer Hobbs, Mayor

ATTEST:


Emily N. Watts, City Clerk