MINUTES OF THE WYNNE CITY COUNCIL March 11, 2025

The Wynne City Council met at Wynne City Hall on March 11, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. with Mayor JENNIFER HOBBS presiding. The roll was called, and the following councilpersons answered to their names: CHRIS DAVIS, BILLY FOWLER, RICKY MCDANIEL, STEVIE NELSON, LESTER MILLER, JOSHUA WYATT, BUCK MORRIS, LISA CARTER, JASON NICHOLS, and TYLER WAYMIRE; a quorum was declared. City Clerk, Emily Watts, was present. City Attorney, Kevin A. Watts, was present.

On the motion of Councilperson Morris and seconded by Councilperson Miller and by consent of all Members present, the minutes of a regular council meeting held on February 11, 2025 were approved, accepted, and filed as prepared by the City Clerk.

Richard Dennis, Wynne Police Department, Kyle Frymire, Public Works, Jase Long, Parks & Recreation, Kory Ward, Wynne Fire Department, and Jennifer Hobbs, Mayor all provided monthly reports. On the motion of Councilperson Wyatt and seconded by Councilperson Miller, and by consent of all members present, the department reports presented were approved and accepted.

For the First item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Ordinance 911 "AN ORDINANCE WAIVING THE BID PROCESS AND LEASE THROUGH ARVEST BANK ONE NEW PETERSON KNUCKLEBOOM LOADER AND DECLARING AN EMERGNCY." After further discussion, Councilperson Morris, with a second from Councilperson Nichols, 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	Davis – aye	McDaniel – aye
Miller – aye	Morris – aye	Nelson – aye	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wvatt – ave	,	

Councilperson Morris, with a second by Councilperson Wyatt, made a motion to adopt Ordinance 911. The following vote carried the motion:

Carter - aye	Fowler – aye	Davis – aye	McDaniel – aye
Miller – aye	Morris – aye	Nelson – aye	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wyatt – aye	•	•

Mayor Hobbs declared Ordinance 911adopted.

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

Carter – aye	Fowler – aye	Davis – aye	McDaniel – aye
Miller - aye	Morris – aye	Nelson – aye	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wvatt – ave	•	•

For the Second item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Resolution 3-11-25 "A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2025 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR PARKS AND RECREATION FOR THE CITY OF WYNNE, ARKANSAS." After further discussion, on the motion of Councilperson Morris, second by Councilperson McDaniel, and by consent of all members present, Resolution 3-11-25 was approved and accepted.

For the Third item of business, Mayor Hobbs nominated Nathan Pribble to serve on the Delta Regional Airport Commission. After further discussion, a motion by Councilperson Davis, a second by Councilperson Morris, and consent of all members present, the nomination of Nathan Pribble to serve on the Delta Regional Airport Commission was accepted by the Council.

For the Fourth item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Ordinance 912 "AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH CERTAIN REGULATIONS FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOL, BEER, AND WINE FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTIONS IN THE CITY LIMITS OF WYNNE, ARKANSAS." After further discussion, Councilperson Morris, with a second from Councilperson

Fowler, made a motion to move Ordinance 912 to a second reading at the April Council meeting. The following vote carried the motion:

Carter – aye Miller – aye Waymire – aye	Fowler – aye Morris – aye Wyatt – aye	Davis – aye Nelson – aye	McDaniel – aye Nichols – aye
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For the Fifth item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Ordinance 913 "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A SUPPLEMENTAL TAX ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES." After further discussion, Councilperson Wyatt, with a second from Councilperson Morris, made a motion to move Ordinance 913 to a second reading at the April Council meeting. The following vote carried the motion:

Carter – aye	Fowler – aye	Davis – aye	McDaniel – aye
Miller – aye	Morris - aye	Nelson – aye	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wyatt – ave	2	

For the Sixth item of business, Silicon Ranch, a renewable energy company gave a brief presentation to the Council.

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

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