MINUTES OF THE WYNNE CITY COUNCIL April 8, 2025

The Wynne City Council met at Wynne City Hall on April 8, 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 March 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, Blake Marotti, Wynne Water, and Jennifer Hobbs, Mayor all provided monthly reports. On the motion of Councilperson Morris and seconded by Councilperson Nichols, and by consent of all members present, the department reports presented were approved and accepted.

For the First item of business, Mayor Hobbs declared Friday, April 11, 2025 as Blue & Green Day, for "Donate Life", organ donation.

For the Second item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented the Memorandum of Agreement between Cherry Valley and the City of Wynne that states that Cherry Valley shall pay \$1,500 per month to the City of Wynne in return for Cherry Valley District Court cases being handled through the Cross County District Court and handled by the District Court Clerks currently in place. After further discussion, Councilperson Morris, with a second by Councilperson Davis, made a motion to approve the MOU and have Mayor Hobbs sign the agreement on behalf of the City of Wynne. By consent of all members present, the motion was passed.

For the Third item of business, Fire Chief Ward asked the Council approval to pay a past due invoice for Fire Department Viking IQ Turnout Gear to Central Alabama Training Solutions in the amount of \$9,931.74. After further discussion, Councilperson Wyatt, with a second by Councilperson Morris, made a motion to approve the expenditure. With the consent of all members present, the motion was approved.

For the Fourth item of business, Mayor Hobbs nominated Connie Currie to be appointed to the Wynne Planning Commission. After further discussion, a motion by Councilperson Morris, second by Councilperson Davis, and consent of all members present, Connie Currie's nomination for appointment to the Wynne Planning Commission was accepted.

For the Fifth 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 third reading at the May Council meeting where it can be voted on. The following vote carried the motion:

Carter – aye Fowler – aye Davis – aye McDaniel – aye
Miller – aye Morris – aye Nelson – no Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye Wyatt – aye

For the Sixth 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 Morris, with a second from Councilperson Fowler, made a motion to move Ordinance 913 to a third reading at the May Council meeting where it can be voted on. The following vote carried the motion:

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

For the Seventh item of business, Mayor Hobbs let the Council know that there may be discussions to pave Glenda Lane in the future.

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

Jennifer Hobbs, Mayor

Emily N. Watts, City Clerk