

MINUTES OF THE WYNNE CITY COUNCIL

June 9, 2026

The Wynne City Council met at Wynne City Hall on June 9, 2026, 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, TYLER WAYMIRE; a quorum was declared. City Clerk, Emily Watts, was present. City Attorney, Kevin A. Watts, was present.

On the motion of Councilperson Wyatt and seconded by Councilperson Morris and by consent of all Members present, the minutes of a regular council meeting held on May 12, 2026 were approved, accepted, and filed as prepared by the City Clerk.

Daniel Getchell, Wynne Police Department, Devyn Arens, Public Works, Jase Long, Parks & Recreation, Kory Ward, Wynne Fire Department, and Jennifer Hobbs, Mayor all provided monthly reports. On the motion of Councilperson Nichols 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 requested Council approval to increase the hours and turn the part-time Code Enforcement/Animal Control officer position into a full-time position. After further discussion, on the motion of Councilperson Morris, second by Councilperson Wyatt, and by consent of all members present, the request was approved.

For the Second item of business, Mayor Hobbs asked for Council approval to reappoint James Nickerson to the Planning Commission. After further discussion, on the motion of Councilperson Nichols, second by Councilperson Davis, and by consent of all members present, James Nickerson was reappointed to serve on the Planning Commission.

For the Third item of business, Mayor Hobbs asked for Council approval to spend a one time \$2,500 + tax for an E-citation software for District Court. After further discussion, on the motion of Councilperson Morris, second by Councilperson Nichols, and consent by all members present, the expense was approved.

For the Fourth item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Resolution 6-9-2026 A, that would allow Mayor Hobbs to apply for and execute any necessary documents for application or acceptance of a DRA grant for the O Street Bridge replacement project and agreeing that the City of Wynne will pay their portion (\$64,041.22) if awarded. After further discussion, on the motion of Councilperson Morris, second by Councilperson Nelson, and by consent of all members present, Resolution 6-9-2026 A was approved and accepted.

For the Fifth item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Resolution 6-9-2026 B, "A resolution determining the cost of abatement of a nuisance structure, imposing a lien against certain real property, and certifying said lien to the Cross County Tax Collector Pursuant to ACA 14-54-904". After further discussion, on the motion of Councilperson Miller, second by Councilperson Morris, and by consent of all members present, Resolution 6-9-2026 B was approved and accepted.

For the Sixth item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Resolution 6-9-2026 C, "A resolution authorizing the Mayor of the City of Wynne, Arkansas, to execute purchase agreements and related closing documents for certain real property acquisitions associated with the EDA Grant Street Project, authorizing payment of purchase price and customary closing costs, and for other purposes." After further discussion, on the motion of Councilperson Wyatt, second by Councilperson Fowler, and by consent of all members present, Resolution 6-9-2026 C was approved and accepted.

For the Seventh item of business, Mayor Hobbs presented and read in its entirety Ordinance 923 "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING FINANCING WITH FIRST FINANCIAL BANK, WYNNE, ARKANSAS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTION OF FOUR PICKLEBALL COURTS WITH FOOD TRUCK HOOKUPS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY." After further discussion, Councilperson Morris, with a second from Councilperson Nelson, 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	Wyatt – aye		

Councilperson Wyatt, with a second by Councilperson Nichols, made a motion to adopt Ordinance 923. The following vote carried the motion:

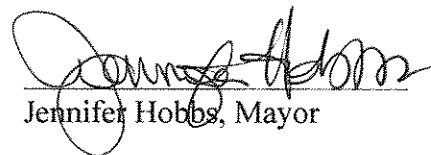
Carter – aye	Fowler – aye	Davis – aye	McDaniel – aye
Miller – aye	Morris – aye	Nelson – aye	Nichols – aye
Waymire – aye	Wyatt – aye		

Mayor Hobbs declared Ordinance 923 adopted.

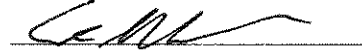
Councilperson Nichols, with a second by Councilperson Wyatt, made a motion to enact the emergency clause. The following vote carried the motion:

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

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


Jennifer Hobbs, Mayor

ATTEST:


Emily N. Watts, City Clerk