

**CITY OF WINNFIELD
REGULAR MEETING
May 14 ,2024**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order at 6:01 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2024, by Mayor Gerald Hamms. Those present in addition to Mayor Hamms were Councilpersons Hall-Dudley, Caldwell, Breda, Miller, Phillips Katina Smith, City Clerk, and Attorney Clay Carroll.

Agenda:

I. Call to order- 6:01 pm

II. Invocation- Miller

III. Pledge of Allegiance – Cassidy Martin

IV. AGENDA AMENDMENTS

None

V. Guest and Audience Participation

1. Recreation supervisor Anthony Hall and Patricia Bell (former summer feeding program director) advised that the summer feeding program which was sponsored by the Pine Belt Multi-purpose program will not

be sponsoring the feeding program this year and ask if the City would consider operating the program in conjunction with the summer recreation program.

I. Old Business-Action Items

1. Adopt Ordinance 6 of 2024- Meta Solutions Speed Control- Caldwell

On the motion by Councilperson Caldwell duly seconded by Councilperson Miller, after discussion and no public comment, the line item was tabled, and was approved by unanimous vote.

Yeas: 5 (Phillips, Miller, Breda, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 0

VII. Old Business-Non-Action Items

None

VIII. New Business-Action Items

1. Accept Minutes from May 14, 2024, Regular Meeting – Mayor

On the motion by Councilperson Phillips duly seconded by Councilperson Caldwell, after discussion and no public comment, the minutes from May14, 2024, were approved by unanimous vote.

Yeas: 5 (Phillips, Miller, Breda, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 0

2. Water Sector Program Bids- Miller

The city was awarded a 3.5-million-dollar grant project to rehab our sewer system that will rehab our lift stations and collections.

Councilman Miller made motion that we award contract 1 to Womack and Son Construction group for \$1,383,790.00.

On the motion by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Phillips, after discussion and no public comment, contract 1 was awarded to Womack and Son, and were approved by unanimous vote.

Yeas: 5 (Phillips, Miller, Breda, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 0

Councilman Miller made motion to place a change order on contract 1 to reduce by \$134,672.00

On the motion by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Dudley, after discussion and no public comment, change order was approved to reduce contract 1 by \$134,672.00, were approved by unanimous vote.

Yeas: 5 (Phillips, Miller, Breda, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)
Nays: 0
Abstained: 0
Absent: 0

3. Police Personnel- Phillips

Chief Carpenter made recommendations to move Pedro Reynoza from jailer to Provisional fulltime police officer.

Councilman Phillips stated that the public safety committee has met and recommend a motion to accept Chief Carpenter recommendation to move Pedro Reynoza from full time jailer to Provisional fulltime police officer.

On a Motion by Councilperson Phillips duly seconded by Caldwell after no public comment, the Council unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to move Pedro Reynoza from full time jailer to Provisional fulltime police officer.

YEAS: 5 (Miller, Breda, and Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

4. Fire Personnel- Phillips

Lieutenant Chief Cassidy Martin made recommendations to hire Roy Zimmerman as a volunteer fireman.

Councilman Phillips stated that the public safety committee has met and recommend a motion to accept Lieutenant Chief Cassidy Martin recommendation to hire Roy Zimmerman as a volunteer fireman.

On a Motion by Councilperson Phillips duly seconded by Miller after no public comment, the Council unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to hire Roy Zimmerman as a volunteer fireman

YEAS: 5 (Miller, Breda, and Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

Lieutenant Chief Cassidy Martin made recommendations to hire Robert Jones as a volunteer fireman.

Councilman Phillips stated that the public safety committee has met and recommend a motion to accept Lieutenant Chief Cassidy Martin recommendation to hire Robert Jones as a volunteer fireman.

On a Motion by Councilperson Phillips duly seconded by Dudley after no public comment, the Council unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to hire Robert Jones as a volunteer fireman

YEAS: 5(Miller, Breda, and Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)
NAYS: 0
ABSTAIN: 0
ABSENT: 0

IV. NEW BUSINESS, NON-ACTION ITEMS

None

X. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hamms advised the Council that attorney Clay Carroll is our interim attorney who has been with the City as City prosecutor working with late attorney Herman Castete and that the City is currently accepting application for the hire of a City attorney.

Mayor Hamms also gave recognition to City Clerk Katina Smith for becoming a certified clerk in the State of Louisiana from the Louisiana Municipal Association on April 25, 2024, and will continue education to receive her masters.

On motion of Councilperson Caldwell, seconded by Councilperson Miller the regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council held May 14, 2024, was adjourned by unanimous vote at 6:40p.m.

Katina Smith

KATINA SMITH, CITY CLERK

Gerald Hamms

GERALD HAMMS, MAYOR

