**CITY OF WINNFIELD**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**August 13, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order at 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13,2024, by Mayor Gerald Hamms. Those present in addition to Mayor Hamms were Councilpersons Miller, Hall-Dudley, Phillips, Caldwell, Katina Smith, City Clerk., Attorney Clay Carroll. Councilperson Breda was absent.

**Agenda:**

**I**. **Call to order**- 6:02 pm

**II. Invocation**- Councilman Miller

**III**. **Pledge of Allegiance –** Lt. Charles Curry

**IV. AGENDA AMENDMENTS**

1. Amend the agenda to add New business non-action item #1 drainage

On a Motion by Councilperson Miller, duly seconded by Phillips, after no public comments, the Council unanimously voted to amend the agenda as follows:

 Yeas: 4 (Phillips, Miller, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)

 Nays: 0

 Abstained 0

 Absent: 1 (Breda)

1. Amend the agenda to add New business Non-action item # 2 Earl K. Long Park

On a Motion by Councilperson Miller, duly seconded by Caldwell, after no public comments, the Council unanimously voted to amend the agenda as follows:

 Yeas: 4 (Phillips, Miller, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)

 Nays: 0

 Abstained 0

 Absent: 1 (Breda

On motion by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Phillips, after no public comment, the Council members present unanimously voted to accept the agenda as amended.

 Yeas: 4 (Phillips, Miller, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)

 Nays: 0

 Abstained 0

 Absent: 1 (Breda

**V. Guest and Audience Participation**

 **None**

**VI. Old Business- Action Item**

1. **Adopt Ordinance 9 of 24-Rental light fees-Dudley**

The following Ordinance was introduced by Councilperson Breda at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Winnfield City Council held on July 9, 2024, and is presented for adoption by Councilperson Dudley at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Winnfield City Council held on August 13, 2024, to-wit:

 ORDINANCE NO. 9 of 2024

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 19-4(11)(g) and (h) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WINNFIELD, LOUISIANA, TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREFOR, AND TO PROVIDE FOR ANY RELATED MATTERS.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and City Council for the City of Winnfield, Louisiana that Section 19-4(11)(g) and (h) the Code of Ordinances of the City of Winnfield is hereby amended to read and provide as follows.

 “19-4(11) (g)

 Rental light, no pole installation, per month rental residential $15.00

 Rental light, no pole installation, per month rental commercial $25.00

These rates are to be effective October 2, 2024, on new or existing residential and commercial rental lights.

 19-4(11)(h)

Rental light, with pole installation, per month installation and rental fees

Residential and commercial installation fee $350.00

 Per month rental residential $ 15.00

 Per month rental commercial $ 25.00

These rates are to be effective October 2, 2024, for new or existing residential and commercial rental lights.”

REPEALER:

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana, that all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SEVERABILITY:

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Winnfield, Winn Parish, Louisiana that this ordinance is deemed severable and accordingly, should any part or portion hereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional, then the rest and remainder of the ordinance which can be enforced without regard to such invalid or unconstitutional part or portion shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall be effective upon publication hereof as provided by law and the expiration of all required legal delays.

The above ordinance was introduced for adoption by Councilperson Dudley at the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winnfield held on the 13th day of August 2024, on motion of Councilperson Dudley, seconded by Councilperson Caldwell, with the following vote:

**BREDA** YEA: \_\_\_\_\_\_ NAY: \_\_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT: \_\_X\_\_\_ ABSTAINING: \_\_\_\_\_

**CALDWELL** YEA: \_\_X\_\_\_NAY: \_\_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTAINING: \_\_\_\_\_

**HALL**  YEA: \_\_X\_\_\_ NAY: \_\_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTAINING: \_\_\_\_\_

**MILLER** YEA: \_\_X\_\_\_\_NAY: \_\_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTAINING: \_\_\_\_\_

**PHILLIPS** YEA: \_\_X\_\_\_ NAY: \_\_\_\_\_\_ ABSENT: \_\_\_\_\_ ABSTAINING: \_\_\_\_\_

 Thereupon the Mayor declared the Ordinance passed by a vote of \_\_4\_ yeas and \_\_\_ nays, on the 13th day of August 2024, at the regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winnfield, Louisiana.

\_Katina Smith\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Gerald Hamms\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

KATINA SMITH, CITY CLERK GERALD HAMMS, MAYOR

**VII. Old Business- Non-Action Items**

 **None**

**VIII. New Business-Action Items**

1. **Accept Minutes from July 9, 2024, Regular Meeting-Mayor**

On the motion by Councilperson Caldwell duly seconded by Councilperson Dudley, after discussion and no public comment, the minutes from July 9, 2024, were approved by unanimous vote.

Yeas: 4 (Miller, Phillips, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

 Absent: 1(Breda)

1. **Introduce Ordinance 10 of 2024- Standards of Electric Services-Caldwell**

The following Ordinance was introduced by Councilperson Caldwell at the Regular Metting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winnfield held on August 13, 2024, to-wit:

ORDINANCE NO. 10 of 2024

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE STANDARDS OF ELECTRIC SERVICE TO CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY/TOWN OF.

This Ordinance will be considered for adoption at a Regular Meeting of the Winnfield City Council to be held September 10, 2024.

1. **Surplus Police department inventory-Miller**

The police department has identified a list of items that are beyond repair and are to be declared surplus. The department has provided an inventory of these items, which will be processed accordingly.

On the motion by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Phillips, after discussion and no public comment, the Council members present unanimously voted to declare as surplus the following items listed

Yeas: 4 (Miller, Phillips, Caldwell, and Hall-Dudley)

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

 Absent: 1(Breda)

1. **Fire Personnel-Phillips**

**Assistant Chief Cassidy Martin made recommendations to hire Hannah Lundy 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 Hannah Lunday 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 Hannah Lundy as a volunteer fireman

YEAS: 4(Miller, Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1(Breda)

**Assistant Chief Cassidy Martin made recommendations to hire Ashley Carpenter 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 Ashley Carpenter 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 Ashley Carpenter as a volunteer fireman

YEAS: 4(Miller, Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1(Breda)

**Assistant Chief Cassidy Martin made recommendations to hire David Turner 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 David Turner 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 David Turner as a volunteer fireman

YEAS: 4(Miller, Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1(Breda)

**Assistant Chief Cassidy Martin made recommendations to hire David G. Parker 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 David G. Parker 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 David G. Parker as a volunteer fireman

YEAS: 4(Miller, Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1(Breda)

**Assistant Chief Cassidy Martin made recommendations to hire Devin Primm 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 David Primm 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 David Primm as a volunteer fireman

YEAS: 4(Miller, Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1(Breda)

**Assistant Chief Cassidy Martin made recommendations to hire Ashley Rhymes 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 Ashley Rhymes 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 Ashley Rhymes as a volunteer fireman

YEAS: 4(Miller, Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1(Breda)

1. **Police Personnel-Phillips**

Lt. Curry made recommendations to hire Joseph Carrithers as part time dispatcher.

Councilman Phillips stated that the public safety committee has met and recommend a motion to accept Lt. Curry recommendation to hire Joseph Carrithers as part time dispatcher.

On a Motion by Councilperson Phillips duly seconded by Miller after no public comment, the Council unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to hire Joseph Carrithers as part time dispatcher.

YEAS: 4(Miller, Hall-Dudley, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1(Breda)

**IV. Old Business-Non-Action Items**

1. **Earl K. Long Park**

Councilman Miller thanked the Mayor and city employees and Donnie Moon for the cleanup at the park.

1. **Drainage**

There is a large drainage canal located at the corner of Maple and Cross Grove Street that is experiencing significant overgrowth. To address this issue, it is recommended that the city engage a contractor to manage the overgrowth. Once the area is cleared and under control the city will be able to maintain it moving forward.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Dudley the regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council held August 13, 2024, was adjourned by unanimous vote at 6:14p.m.

 Katina Smith Gerald Hamms

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 KATINA SMITH, CITY CLERK GERALD HAMMS, MAYOR