**CITY OF WINNFIELD**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**September 10, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was called to order at 6:04 p.m. on Tuesday, September 10,2024, 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 and Councilperson Breda was absent.

**Agenda:**

**I**. **Call to order**- 6:04 pm

**II. Invocation**- Councilman Miller

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

**IV. AGENDA AMENDMENTS**

1. Amend the agenda to add New Business-Action # 6 Police Department promotions

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 Caldwell, 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 10 of 2024- Sec 19-9 Standards of Electric Services- Caldwell

**ORDINANCE NO. 10**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINNFIELD TO**

**PROVIDE STANDARDS OF ELECTRIC SERVICE TO**

**CUSTOMERS OF THE CITY OF WINNFIELD**

**BE IT ORDAINED,** by the Mayor and City Council for the City of

Winnfield, that Section 19-9 is hereby enacted, to read as follows:

**Section 1 9 -9 Standards of Electric Service**

The City of Winnfield will strive to supply its customers with a steady and reliable supply

of alternating current electricity at 60 Hertz but does not warrant or guarantee the service

against failure, interruption, reduction, abnormality, reversal or irregularities. The City of

Winnfield shall use reasonable diligence to provide safe, adequate and continuous electric

service but shall not be liable to a customer for any direct or consequential damage or loss

by reason of:

a) the failure of the City of Winnfield to supply or the customer to receive electricity,

or for any interruption, voltage reductions or abnormalities, reversal of the supply

or other irregularity in the supply of electricity to the customer.

b) fire, strike, riot, explosion, storm, hurricane wind, lightning, flood, accident,

breakdown, material shortage, delay in delivery, governmental or regulatory action

or inaction, acts of God, acts of any public enemy, civil disturbance, sabotage, delay

or failure of performance by a third party, war, national emergency, or any other

event beyond the control of the City of Winnfield.

c) the City of Winnfield making repairs, making changes to, replacing, testing, or

inspecting its equipment or facilities.

d) interruption or curtailment of electric service by manual or automatic load shedding

in an emergency declared by the Midcontinent Independent System Operator

(“MISO”) or its successor organization.

Customers should consider the installation of surge arrester protection and/or voltage

stabilizer equipment to further prevent damage or loss to customer’s property. Such

installation shall be installed behind the meter, past the disconnect. Customers installing

surge arresters or voltage stabilizer equipment should consult a licensed, professional

engineer or electrician.

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 of 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 required legal delays.

The above ordinance was introduced for adoption by Councilperson Caldwell at the

Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winnfield held on the 10th day

of September, 2024, on motion of Councilperson Caldwell seconded by Councilperson

Miller, 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 10th day of September 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. Community Hammy Awards – Mayor
2. Steve Shelton received a Hammy award for his 47 years of service as the Pharmacist dedicated to the health and well-being of our citizens.
3. Rayford Riley received a Hanny award for his 55 years of service as the City Barber on Main Street
4. **Accept Minutes from August 13, 2024, Regular Meeting-Mayor**

On the motion by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Phillips, after discussion and no public comment, the minutes from August 13, 2024, were approved by unanimous vote.

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

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: 1(Breda)

1. **Resolution to approve airport land rental fee-Phillips**

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** the City of Winnfield, Louisiana, has airport hanger sites that are rented to

Various individuals and organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council have determined that there is confusion as to

the annual rental rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council have established the need for new annual rental rates for the airport hanger sites to be se at $250.00 per year effective 7/1/24.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Winnfield that the Rate for the Annual Rental of an Airport Hanger Site be set at $250.00 per year and is hereby approved by the City Council and adopted effective July 1, 2024.

This resolution was offered September 10, 2024, on motion of Councilperson Phillips, and seconded by Councilperson Miller.

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

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: 1(Breda)

**WHEREUPON** the Mayor declared that the motion passed and the resolution was adopted.

\_Gerald Hamms\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_Katina Smith\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Gerald Hamms, Mayor Katina Smith, City Clerk

1. **Approve a six-month agreement for Wastewater/Water operator-Miller**

The council approved a six-month agreement for Wastewater/Water operator Carl Johnson.

On the motion by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson, after discussion and no public comment, the minutes from August 13, 2024, were approved by unanimous vote.

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

Nays: 0

Abstained: 0

Absent: 1(Breda)

1. **Approve Meta traffic agreement-Caldwell**

On the motion by Councilperson Caldwell duly seconded by Councilperson Phillips, after discussion and no public comment, the meta traffic agreement was approved by unanimous vote.

Yeas: 2 (Phillips, Caldwell,)

Nays: 1(Miller)

Abstained: 0

Absent: 2(Breda, Hall-Dudley)

1. **Chief Johnny Ray Carpenter made recommendations to promote Charles Curry to Asst. Chief.**

On a Moton by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Phillips after no public comment, the Council unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to promote Charles Curry to Asst. Chief.

YEAS: 3(Miller, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2(Breda, Hall-Dudley)

**Chief Johnny Ray Carpenter made recommendation to promote Sergeant Brian Glenn to Lieutenant.**

On a Moton by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Phillips after no public comment, the Council unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to promote Sergeant Brian Glenn to Lieutenant.

YEAS: 3(Miller, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2(Breda, Hall-Dudley)

**Chief Johnny Ray Carpenter made recommendations to promote Ashley Carpenter to Sergeant.**

On a Moton by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Caldwell after no public comment, the Council unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to promote Ashley Carpenter to Sergeant

YEAS: 3(Miller, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2(Breda, Hall-Dudley)

**Chief Johnny Ray Carpenter made recommendations to promote Deontrey Means to Sergeant.**

On a Moton by Councilperson Miller duly seconded by Councilperson Caldwell after no public comment, the Council unanimously voted to accept the recommendation to promote Deontrey Means to Sergeant

YEAS: 3(Miller, Phillips, and Caldwell)

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 2(Breda, Hall-Dudley)

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

1. **Update on North St. John overlay intergovernmental project with Winn Parish Police Jury Office-Miller**

Mayor Hamms stated that he sent a financial participation letter to the Winn Parish Police Jury and the Library Board, with each contributing $50,000.00 toward the project. The total cost to reconstruct North St. John Street is estimated at $150,00.00.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Councilperson Miller, seconded by Councilperson Phillips the regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council held September 10, 2024, was adjourned by unanimous vote at 6:50 p.m.

Katina Smith Gerald Hamms

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KATINA SMITH, CITY CLERK GERALD HAMMS, MAYOR