

**WINK CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 6, 2026
6:00 P.M.**

PRESENT:

Eric Hawkins, Mayor

Council Members:

Kama Slaughter, Councilwoman, Place 1-ABSENT

Michael Dodd, Councilman Place 2

Casey Thames, Councilman, Place 3

LaDaryl Bates, Councilwoman, Place 4

Coby Purcell, Mayor Pro Tem, Place 5

City Staff:

Gina Funderburg, City Secretary

Jose Soltero, Police Chief

Addison Brewer, Utility Clerk

Kelen Salinas- Court Clerk

Richard Kyle, Water Superintendent

Puja Boinpally, City Attorney-via phone

Guests:

Stormy Hawkins

Barbara Billiet

CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE

A QUORUM PRESENT:

(Agenda Item 1)

With a quorum of the Council members present, the regular meeting of the Wink City Council was called to order by Mayor Hawkins at 6:00 P.M. January 6, 2026, in the Wink City Council Meeting Room of the Wink City Hall, 303 East Hendricks Blvd., Wink, Texas.

INVOCATION:

(Agenda Item 2)

Councilman Purcell gave the invocation.

VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM: At this time, any person with business before the Council, not scheduled on the agenda, may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting:

(Agenda Item 3)

Employee Recognition:

Gina Funderburg- 14 years of service

Addison Brewer- 1 year of service

Barbara Saboyna advised the Council that an individual contacted her regarding the creation of a portrait of Roy Orbison for the museum. The artist completed the painting and provided it to her, and she presented the artwork to the Council for review. Barbara also inquired whether the office staff would be interested in displaying a copy of the artwork in City Hall, and the office staff agreed.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER MINUTES
FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETING:**

- *December 9, 2025*

(Agenda Item 4)

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Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Purcell and seconded by Councilman Dodd, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the above-mentioned minutes. **Motion carried.**
Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REQUESTS
FOR BIDS FOR THE SALE OF LAND,
SPECIFICALLY, LOTS 1-5 BLOCK 2
NORTH WINK HEIGHTS N. GARDNER AVE.
(Property ID # 129015):**

(Agenda Item 5)

The City of Wink will be accepting sealed bids for the sale of the above-mentioned city-owned property. All bids must be submitted in accordance with the city's requirements and will be received in the office of the City Secretary until 3:00 p.m., Friday February 6, 2026.

Sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the City Secretary. Following the opening of bids, the City Council will consider the submissions and award the successful bid at the Council Meeting scheduled for February 10, 2026.

This notice will run in the Monahans News for two consecutive weeks. Interested parties are encouraged to review the bid requirements and submit their proposals by the stated deadline.

Motion: Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilman Dodd, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the sale of city property. **Motion carried.**
Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER LAND
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY
AND WINK-LOVING I.S.D.:**

(Agenda Item 6)

Mayor Hawkins addressed concerns regarding a land discrepancy involving property owned by the school district on which two of the City of Wink's lift stations are located on. Mayor Hawkins stated there is no existing land agreement and expressed uncertainty as to how the lift stations came to be located on school property. To resolve the issue, the Mayor has been meeting with Superintendent Carman, and a proposed solution was discussed involving a land exchange that would allow the school district to trade the property that has the lift stations on it, and the City property located behind the City well with no monetary exchange involved, just a trade on paper.

The mayor asked if this explanation cleared up any confusion. Councilman Dodd stated that it did not and further stated that school officials had approached him indicating the land exchange was discussed and voted on at a recent school board meeting with a contingency related to a monetary donation to the Wink Centennial Committee, which he did not agree with. The mayor responded that there was a misconception by the school board and clarified that there should be no contingency tied to the land

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exchange, as the Wink Centennial Committee is not associated with the city. The mayor further stated that he contacted the Superintendent and that the legal team for WLISD would revise the resolution to remove the contingency clause. No action on part of the council was needed.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER 2025-2026
WATER RATES AND SERVICE FEES:**

(Agenda Item 7)

The item was discussed and tabled until the next month's agenda; no motion was made and no action was taken.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ANNUAL
REVIEW OF THE CITY OF WINK'S
EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK:**

(Agenda Item 8)

The item was discussed and tabled until the next month's agenda; no motion was made and no action was taken.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER
QUARTER ENDING 12/31/2025:**

(Agenda Item 9)

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Thames and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the report as presented. **Motion carried.**
Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTIONS:

- #250- Public Funds Investment Policy:
- #249- Adopting water rates and fees

(Agenda Item 10)

Motion: Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilman Dodd, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve Resolution #250- Public Funds Investment Policy. **Motion carried.**
Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Resolution #249 was discussed and tabled until next month's agenda; no motion was made and no action was taken.

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**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER 12 MONTH
CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT, MATURE
DATE 01/14/2026:**

(Agenda Item 11)

The Council discussed the certificate of deposit (CD) that was up for renewal. The CD is a 12-month term; however, Council approved renewing the CD for a 36-month term with the interest rolled over.

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Dodd and seconded by Councilman Thames, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to renew the CD for a 36-month term. **Motion carried.**

Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DEPARTMENTAL
REPORTS PRESENTATIONS:**

(Agenda Item 12)

- *Water/Wastewater-Superintendent Richard Kyle*
- *Police Department Reports-Chief Jody Soltero*

Richard Kyle and Chief Soltero presented to the Council their department reports for the month of December 2025.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER, IF ANY,
THE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE
WATER SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF WINK:**

- *Legal Service Agreement*
- *RD 442-22 "Opinion of Counsel Relative to Right of Ways"*
- *Right of way Certificate signed by Engineer*
- *Right of way easements*

(Agenda Item 13)

The Council discussed the documents requested by USDA. The Legal Services Agreement had been previously processed; therefore, no action was required. The remaining documents were discussed and approved by the following motions

Motion: Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilman Dodd, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve document RD 442-22 "Opinion of Counsel Relative to Right of Ways". **Motion carried.**

Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Dodd and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve document "Right of Way Certificate signed by Engineer". **Motion carried.**

Votes were as follows:

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"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Thames and seconded by Councilwoman Bates, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve document "Right of Way Easements". **Motion carried.**

Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER

OVERNIGHT TRAVEL:

- *Gina Funderburg-Election law Seminar, Training at BSGM*
- *Joshua Crawford*

(Agenda Item 14)

The Council discussed travel-related matters. Previously approved travel for Ms. Funderburg was amended due to a change in the mode of travel, which is now requiring airline transportation. Council approved the additional cost associated with the airline travel.

Council also approved travel for Ms. Funderburg in February to receive bookkeeping training with BSGM, the auditing company for the City of Wink, due to a change in how the city will move forward with a different way to keep the books.

Additionally, Council approved travel and training for Officer Crawford to attend Sergeant training.

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Thames and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the amended travel expense for Ms. Funderburg. **Motion carried.**

Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion: Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilman Dodd, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the overnight travel for Ms. Funderburg in February with BSGM. **Motion carried.**

Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

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Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Thames and seconded by Councilwoman Bates, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the overnight travel for Mr. Crawford. **Motion carried.**

Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER QUOTE
FROM MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS:**

(Agenda Item 15)

Council discussed equipment needs for the Police Department related to the new unit purchased last month. The department requires an in-car camera and radio and radar equipment for the unit. Council reviewed a quote from Motorola that included several subscription options and pricing levels. Council approved the upfront cost of \$3,370.00 and the five-year subscription in the amount of \$3,120.00.

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Thames and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the purchase of the camera from Motorola. **Motion carried.**

Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PAYMENT
OF BILLS & BUDGET AMENDMENTS:(If any)**

(Agenda Item 16)

Motion: Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilman Dodd, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the payment of bills and budget amendments for line item #15 in the amount of \$3370.00.

Motion carried.

Votes were as follows:

"Absent"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Michael Dodd
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DATE FOR THE
MARCH 2026 REGULAR MEETING:**

- February 10,2026

(Agenda Item 17)

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilwoman Bates and seconded by Councilman Thames, the Council voted four (4) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve March 3, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. as the date for the regular meeting for that month. **Motion carried.**

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Votes were as follows:

"Absent"
"Aye"
"Aye"
"Aye"
"Aye"

Kama Slaughter
Casey Thames
Michael Dodd
LaDaryl Bates
Coby Purcell

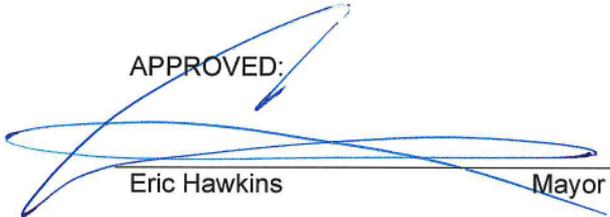
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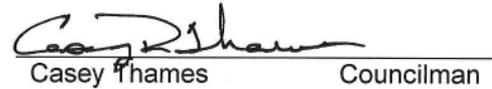
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6:50 P.M.

These minutes were approved by the Wink City Council on the 10th day of February 2026.

APPROVED:


Eric Hawkins Mayor


Casey Thames Councilman

ABSENT

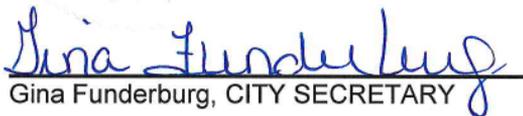
Kama Slaughter Councilwoman


LaDaryl Bates Councilwoman

Michael Dodd Councilman


Coby Purcell Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:


Gina Funderburg, CITY SECRETARY

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