

WINK CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, September 12, 2023  
6:00 P.M.

**PRESENT:**

Eric Hawkins, Mayor

**Council Members:**

Kama Slaughter, Councilwoman

Richard Shook, Councilman

Casey Thames, Councilman

LaDaryl Bates, Councilwoman

Coby Purcell, Mayor Pro Tem

**City Staff:**

Gina Funderburg, City Secretary

Jose Soltero, Police Chief

Richard Kyle, Water Superintendent

Hilda Crawford, Utility Clerk

Mariah Valdez, Court Clerk

Cassandra Cheek, City Attorney-ABSENT

**Guests:**

Stormy Hawkins

**5:30 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED BUDGET 2023-2024 BUDGET  
PUBLIC HEARING TO DISCUSS BUILDING PERMITS:**

• **Public Comments**

*The City of Wink's 2023-2024 budget is balanced and presented to the Council. There were no questions or concerns regarding the proposed budget.*

*Mayor Hawkins advised the Council on the current building permit fee of \$5.00. There were no questions or concerns regarding the permit fees.*

**6:00 P.M.** At this time, Mayor Hawkins closed the public hearing and proceeded with the regular meeting.

**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. September 12, 2023, in the Wink City Council Meeting Room of the Wink City Hall, 303 East Hendricks Blvd., Wink, Texas.

**INVOCATION:**

**(Agenda Item 2)**

Mayor Pro Tem 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)**

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**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CITIZEN REQUEST:**

- Michael Tonne- Removal of curb, 802 N. Cross Ave.
- Raymond Banker- Variance to ordinance.

**(Agenda Item 4)**

Mr. Tonne is asking permission from the City of Wink to remove the curb to allow a driveway to his property.

Prior to the start of the meeting, Mr. Banker contacted the office staff with his desire to table his request. He will contact the office when he is ready to proceed. No action was taken.

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilman Shook, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to grant Mr. Tonne's request for the curb removal at his property, 802 N. Cross Ave.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO 399**  
**TO ADOPT THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024:**

**(Agenda Item 5)**

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Councilman Shook and seconded by Councilman Thames, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to adopt the budget for the fiscal year 2023-2024 as presented by Mayor Hawkins, by Ordinance No. 399.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER 2023**  
**FINAL NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX**  
**RATE BY ORDINANCE NO 400:**

**(Agenda Item 6)**

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Councilman  and seconded by Councilwoman Slaughter, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to adopt the tax rate at 0.220766/\$100 for 2023-2024 year by Ordinance No. 400.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

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Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUILDING  
PERMIT FEES REGARDING UPDATE TO H.B. 1922:**

**(Agenda Item 7)**

*At the public hearing, Mayor Hawkins advised the Council that the fees City Hall currently charges for a building permit is \$5.00 (five dollars), he expressed that he believes that it is a sufficient amount to charge and an increase is not required.*

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilwoman Bates and seconded by Councilman Thames, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to adopt the tax rate at 0.220766/\$100 for 2023-2024 year by Ordinance No. 400.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROPOSAL  
FROM DEER OAKS-TX HEALTH BENEFITS:**

**(Agenda Item 8)**

*Currently, TML Health offers an employee assistance program service through Deer Oaks. Upon the new renewal starting on October 1, 2023, that service will not be available through TML Health. The City of Wink has the option to pay for that service directly to Deer Oaks. Mayor Hawkins asked if that service has been utilized by any of the employees, and it has not. The Council agreed that dropping that service was most likely the best option.*

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Thames and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to discontinue the service from Deer Oaks.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROPOSAL  
FROM RCI FOR RECORDS RETENTION:**

**(Agenda Item 9)**

Motion: Upon a motion made by Councilman Thames and seconded by Councilman Richard Shook, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to allow the office staff to set up a date to have RCI come and do the record retention for various paperwork.

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Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RADIO  
PROGRAMMING FOR THE CITY OF  
WINK POLICE DEPARTMENT AND WINK VFD:**

(Agenda Item 10)

No action

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DATE FOR TRICK OR TREATING:**

(Agenda Item 11)

*The date for trick or treating was set for Saturday, October 28, 2023, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.*  
No motion was required.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REQUEST  
FROM WINK-LOVING I.S.D. FOR BONFIRE DATES:**

(Agenda Item 12)

Motion: Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilman Shook, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the request for the bonfire dates. Wednesday, October 4, 2023, or Wednesday, October 11, 2023, as an alternate date.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

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

(Agenda Item 13)

No action

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PURCHASING  
A SLUDGE ACTIVATING AERATOR FOR  
THE WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT:**

(Agenda Item 14)

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Motion: Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilman Shook, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the budget amendment purchase of the aerator for the water/sewer department in the amount of \$35,000.00 to Reliant Water Technologies.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER**  
**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS PRESENTATIONS:**

**(Agenda Item 15)**

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

*Mr. Kyle and Chief Soltero, presented to the Council the reports for their departments for the month of August 2023. No motion was required.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: In accordance**  
**WITH THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE,**  
**551.074 (PERSONNEL MATTERS/EMPLOYEE SEPERATION:**

**(Agenda Item 16)**

**RECONVENE into Regular Session**  
**and Consider Action, if Any, on Items**  
**discussed in Executive Session:**

**(Agenda Item 17)**

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

**(Agenda Item 18)**

- *August 8, 2023*

**Motion:** Upon a motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell and seconded by Councilwoman Bates, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the above-mentioned minutes.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"	Kama Slaughter
"Aye"	Casey Thames
"Aye"	Richard Shook
"Aye"	LaDaryl Bates
"Aye"	Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

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

**(Agenda Item 19)**

**Motion:** Upon a motion by, Councilman Shook and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Purcell, the Council voted five (5) "ayes" and no (0) "nays" to approve the payment of bills and budget amendment for \$35,000.00 for the purchase of the aerator.

Votes were as follows:

"Aye"  
"Aye"  
"Aye"  
"Aye"  
"Aye"

Kama Slaughter  
Casey Thames  
Richard Shook  
LaDaryl Bates  
Coby Purcell

Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DATE FOR THE  
NOVEMBER 2023 REGULAR MEETING:**

**(Agenda Item 20)**

- *November 7, 2023*

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**(Agenda Item 21)**

6:35 p.m.

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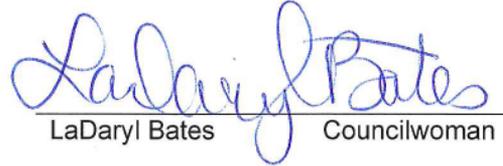
These minutes were approved by the Wink City Council on the 10th day of October 2023.

APPROVED:

  
Eric Hawkins Mayor

  
Casey Thames Councilman

  
Kama Slaughter Councilwoman

  
LaDaryl Bates Councilwoman

Richard Shook Councilman

  
Coby Purcell Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

  
Gina Funderburg, CITY SECRETARY