

Regular Meeting No. 2023-10-17 RG
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama
Gurley Town Hall
October 17, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on October 17, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Gurley Town Hall for a regular meeting.

Mayor Simpson called the regular meeting to order. Upon roll call, present were Richard Meyers, Gary Boyett, Joseph Belles, Tammy Whitten, Robert Winn and Stan Simpson.

Public Hearing
Comprehensive Plan.

Mayor Simpson asked everyone to please sign the sheet being passed around.
Mayor Simpson discussed the Comprehensive Plan and then asked if anyone had any questions or comments. No comments were made.

Reading of Minutes:

A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to dispense with the reading and approve as prepared, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on October 3, 2023. On voice vote, motion carried.

Public Comments:

No Comments.

Reports of Officers:

- **Town Administrator:** Meeting with ADECA & TARCOG regarding the Walker Street Project went smoothly. Circle K's sign company has submitted a permit and a business license and they will be changing out the panels. Comprehensive Plan was approved by the Planning Commission, Zoning will be the next step.
- **Police Department:** Sergeant Jones reported Officer Haynes is in training this week. The end of year training is being worked on. Meeting last Thursday at Huntsville Police regarding NAHSO and we have been approved for NAHSO funds. Belles asked about the training Officer Haynes was to do regarding Big Rigs and Sergeant Jones responded it's difficult to get in the program. Discussion regarding the gravel dropping from trucks on the roads.
- **Fire Department:** The report was handed out to the Town Council. Councilman Belles commented Keel Mountain, Killingsworth Cove and Gurley Fire Department will be doing Fire Prevention at MCES on the 24th.

Hearings of Petitions, Applications, Complaints, Appeals, Communications, etc.:

- **Richard Meyers – Town Council Place 2:** Discussion regarding personal phone numbers and emails to be put on the website.
- **Joseph Belles – Town Council Place 4:** Asked if the paving was complete and Mayor Simpson said it is done. Discussed the bridge on Little Cove Road and ways we are going to make it safer. The Street between AutoZone and Burger King needs to be looked at along with at the area at Little Cove/Shipp.
- **Robert Winn – Town Council Place 1:** We need to put sign and lights on the bridge. Mayor

Simpson commented we are looking at putting signs and reflective tape.

- **Stan Simpson- Mayor:** Attended an organizational meeting with the Alabama League. Met with the Director of Finance with the State of Alabama and discussed the law that passed regarding overtime that will take effect on 1/1/2024. Met with ALDOT and received clarity about the Little Cove Road Extension and signal light projects. Meeting next week with the Humphreys. Met with Commissioner Strong's Office and they helped set up a meeting with the Federal DOT in Montgomery.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and other business:

- **Approval for Expenditures:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to approve the payment of the expenditures. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Approve the Comprehensive Plan:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Belles to approve the Comprehensive Plan. The Planning Commission approved the 2023 Comprehensive Plan and recommended it to the Town Council. Upon roll call: Yea's Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn and Simpson. Nay's – None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- **Travelers Insurance Renewals \$47,875.00:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to pay Travlers Insurance for our insurance renewals in the amount of \$47,875.00. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Resolution 2023-011 RS Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to dispense with the reading and move for immediate consideration of Resolution No. 2023-011 RS by Title. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Mayor Simpson's Mileage and Expense Reports:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to approve Mayor Simpson's Mileage and Expense Reports for his trip to Montgomery. Mayor Simpson commented it was 512 miles for \$335.36 and for meals and hotel it was \$865.18 on the credit card. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Purchase candy for Halloween & candy and fruit for Christmas:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve the purchase of candy for Halloween and candy and fruit for Christmas in the amount up to \$1,000.00. Motion carried on voice vote.

A motion was made by Whitten to adjourn. Motion carried on voice vote.

Ginger Patterson, Town Clerk

Stan Simpson, Mayor