

Regular Meeting No. 2023-12-05 RG
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama
Gurley Town Hall
December 5, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on December 5, 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.

Reading of Minutes:

A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to dispense with the reading and approve as prepared, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 7, 2023. On voice vote, motion carried.

Public Comments:

No Comments.

Reports of Officers:

- **Town Administrator:** Requested bids for new backhoe Mayor Simpson said we might combine the backhoe with a wood chipper. Meeting with Croy Engineering on Monday regarding Walker Street Project. The Assistance Program to get help with water, gas and utility bills wants to set up here and sign-up individuals. The Zoning Ordinance Guideline from Priceville everyone should be reviewing.
- **Fire Department:** A copy of his report was given out. They responded to 50 calls in November. The State Burn Ban has been lifted. Santa ride around town will be December 23rd. We will be running our own Alabama Fire College course on January 13, 2024. Moving ahead on the Brush Truck. The new Treasurer is Nathan Ashton. The Fire Department has started growing and we currently have 16 active members and 1 inactive.

Mayor Simpson read a letter regarding the Fire Department and the outstanding job they did responding to an accident.

- **Police Department:** Mayor Simpson commented Chief Martin is working on an equipment list for the new vehicle.

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

- **Stan Simpson- Mayor:** We paid \$60,000 for Paving the 1 ¾ mile of roads in the Town and the Commission picked up the difference. Commission is looking at widening the culvert on Little Cove Road and not replacing it. Meeting with Commissioner Hill the 1st of next week. Submitted the ATRIP Grant and we were able to include the Traffic Count Study. Meeting with the Chairman end of December to 1st week of January.

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 Mayor to enter into an agreement for Right of Way with Ann & Ray Humphrey:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Belles to approve the Mayor

to enter into an agreement for Right of Way with Ann & Ray Humphrey. The Town will pay up to \$2,500.0 for an appraisal. Upon roll call: Yea's Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn and Simpson. Nay's – None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.

- **Donation to Police Department of \$775.00:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to accept the donation of \$775.00 to the Police Department: Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Approve the Mayor to hire Woody Sanderson from Bishop Colvin at a rate of \$245.00 per hour:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to approve the Mayor to hire Woody Sanderson from Bishop Colvin at a rate of \$245.00 per hour as the General Counsel for the Town. Upon roll call: Yea's Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn and Simpson. Nay's – None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- **Avenu Renewal Contracts for Sales & Use Tax, Alcohol Tax and Gas Tax:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Winn to approve the Avenu renewal contracts for Sales & Use Tax, Alcohol Tax and Gas Tax. Upon roll call: Yea's Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn and Simpson. Nay's – None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- **Purchase Bricks and Cylinder for Monument Park:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve the purchase of bricks for the past Mayors and a cylinder for a time capsule for Monument Park. Motion carried on voice vote.

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

Ginger Patterson, Town Clerk

Stan Simpson, Mayor