

Regular Meeting No. 2024-02-20 RG
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama
Gurley Town Hall
February 20, 2024 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on February 20, 2024, 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 Winn, seconded by Boyett to dispense with the reading and approve as prepared, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 6, 2024. On voice vote, motion carried.

Public Comments:

No Comments.

Reports of Officers:

- **Town Administrator:** Speaking with TextMyGov regarding the phone call system to send out reminders about emergencies, weather, community events and can answer standard questions Mayor Simpson commented it can also send out a message about water outages and just to the residents on the streets it affects. We have sales of 32 plots in the cemetery and the next 8 people on the list have been called.
- **Fire Department:** A copy of his report was given out. Responded to 20 calls so far in February. Inspected Burger King and sent a copy of the report to the Town Clerks. Training tonight and on Saturday. The Brush Truck has been ordered. The Pick-up Truck is currently in the bid process. Picking up 12 AED's on Thursday. 3 New Members, 1 Member taking a leave of absence. Approved the Burn Permit for Zhang. A copy of the Training calendar was given out.

A copy of Gary Kern's Building Report was handing out. Only thing changed was Chuck Martin received his Certificate of Occupancy.

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

- **Richard Meyers- Town Council Place 1:** Appreciates the information on Vector Solutions. ALM Convention in May in Huntsville he would like to attend.
- **Gary Boyett –Town Council Place 3:** Have we had any movement on the Welcome to Gurley sign? The Town Administrator responded we have heard from the insurance and we will be getting a new sign.
- **Joseph Belles-Town Council Place 4:** Vector Solutions is for 12 licenses and 15 are needed for the Fire Department. The Burn Ordinance should be mailed to all the residents.
- **Tammy Whitten – Town Council Place 5:** Gave Officer Mattix a shout out for helping at MCES when he responded to a call for aid.

- **Stan Simpson- Mayor:** 1. Clean up day went well with about 50 people helping. 2. Bryce Holt has requested to return this summer as an intern. 3. Cemetery scanning now complete. 4. Gurley will celebrate the 4th of July on the actual date. 5. Flood Plain elevations scheduled to be completed soon. 6. Adjusted sewer on a water leak in the amount of \$187.57.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and other business:

- **Approval of Expenditures:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to approve the payment of the expenditures. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Hire George Flowers as our Prosecuting Attorney:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to approve hiring George Flowers as our Prosecuting Attorney at a flat rate of \$1,000.00 per month. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Hire Matthew Roberts as a Temporary Police Officer:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to approve hiring Matthew Roberts as a temporary Police Officer at the rate of \$16.64 per hour. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Quickbooks Renewal:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Belles to approve the renewal of our Quickbooks at \$849.00 per year. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Approve the Mayor to enter into a contract with TextMyGov:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve the Mayor to enter into a contract with TextMyGov with a set up fee of \$500.00 and yearly fee of \$1,500.00. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Review & Accept Backhoe Bid:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to accept the Backhoe Bid from H & R Agri Power for \$117,211.00. Upon roll call – Yea’s – Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn and Simpson. Nay’s – None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- **Mayor Simpson’s Expense Report:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Boyett to approve the payment of the Mayor’s Expense Report of \$357.11 for mileage, \$657.80 Hotel and \$85.30 for meals. Motion carried on voice vote.

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

Ginger Patterson, Town Clerk

Stan Simpson, Mayor