

Regular Meeting No. 2022-11-15 RG
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama
Gurley Town Hall
November 15, 2022 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on November 15, 2022, 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, Robert Winn, Gary Boyett, Joseph Belles, Andy Whitten and Stan Simpson.

Reading of Minutes:

A motion was made by Whitten, seconded by Winn, to dispense with the reading and approve as prepared, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on November 1, 2022. On voice vote, motion carried.

Public Comments:

No Public Comments.

Reports of Officers:

- a. **Town Administrator:** There are 2 commercial projects and 12 residential projects ongoing. Mr. Winsett has completed his business license application for fishing tackle out of his home.
- b. **Fire Department:** Reported on number of calls for October. Training opportunities coming up in January. Working on the budget. He has been asked several times about Gurley having a dog park. Activities and events planned for the Centennial were discussed.

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

1. **Stan Simpson-Mayor:** Opioid Settlements totaling \$6,300, in which one we will receive in a lump sum and the other we will receive over a 10-year period. We received notice a fuel wholesaler missed some payments and owes the Town \$19,000+. We received a response from Travelers regarding our cyber security forms and we need to discuss some of the questions and the way we answered. Work Session to discuss the Handbook on Tuesday, November 29, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. Discussed the email on updating the comprehensive plan, zoning ordinance and subdivision regulations.
2. **Richard Meyers – Town Council Place 1:** Questions about the email and legal fees.
3. **Gary Boyett –Town Council Place 3:** Is there an estimated time on when we will start selling cemetery plots? Mayor Simpson responded we are hoping by January 1st but we still have documentation paperwork to prepare and a way to assign a number.
4. **Joseph Belles -Town Council Place 4:** Handed out a plan for the Madison County Elementary School outdoor classroom site. Compiled a list of fruit and candy to purchase for the Fire Department.
5. **Andy Whitten – Town Council Place 5:** Can we update our noise ordinance or do something about the jake brake's when they come through Town.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and other business:

Mayor Simpson started with item b then went back to item a.

- a) **Approval for Expenditures:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to approve the payment of the expenditures. Motion carried on voice vote.

- b) **Business License for Drifter Jigs:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Boyett to approve the Business License for Drifter Jigs. The Town Administrator had Mr. Winsett sign a Memorandum of Agreement. Upon roll call: Yea's – Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. Nay's – none. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- c) **Graces of Gurley to use Charles Stone Park on December 10, 2022:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Winn to approve the use of Charles Stone Park for Graces of Gurley on December 10, 2022 for the live nativity. Motion carried on voice vote.
- d) **Legal Services Rates for 2022-2023:** A motion was made Boyett, seconded by Meyers to accept the legal services rate increase for 2022-2023 for Lanier, Ford, Shaver & Payne P.C. Motion carried on voice vote.
- e) **Christmas Trees for Gurley Police Department and Gurley Fire & Rescue:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Belles to approve the purchase of Christmas Trees for the Gurley Police Department and Gurley Fire & Rescue for a total of \$200.00 (\$100.00 each). Motion carried on voice vote.
- f) **Christmas Fruit & Candy for Fire Department \$500.00:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve the purchase of Christmas Fruit & Candy for the Fire Department for \$500.00. Motion carried on voice vote.
- g) **Budget Approval for Speaker and Decorations \$1,000.00:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Winn to approve the purchase of speaker and outside decorations for up to \$1,000.00. Motion carried on voice vote.

Miscellaneous Notes:

The October 2022 Financials were handed out to the Council Members.

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

Ginger M. Patterson, Town Clerk

Stan Simpson, Mayor