Regular Meeting No. 2023-02-07 RG

Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama Gurley Town Hall February 7, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on February 7, 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, Robert Winn, Gary Boyett, Joseph Belles and Stan Simpson. Andy Whitten was absent.

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 January 3, 2023. On voice vote, motion carried.

Public Comments:

Paul Hall – 488 Gurley Pike- Appreciates the Mayor's leadership and also the leadership of the Town Council, Ms. Scott, Chief Boone and Chief Martin.

Reports of Officers:

- a. Town Administrator: Sign Ordinance is in process and hopefully will be complete by March. Meeting with KPS next week. Civics Plus gave a website demonstration and gave examples of websites they have created. The Building Department Project list was handed out. Burn Permits Ordinance has some definitions that weren't clear and will be changed. Mapco has some pavement issues they will be working on correcting.
- b. Police Department: See Attached.
- **c. Fire Department:** January was a light month with around 23 calls in the 3-mile radius of the Town. Discussed some changes regarding the Open Burning Ordinance.

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

- Stan Simpson-Mayor: Graylon has a list of projects he is working on and the list changes daily. Met with Trav Ad Signs. Some employee reviews have been turned and others are being worked on. Rehab people will be here on Monday. Resubmitted to ADEM the outfall and new upgrades. Little Cove Road and Gurley portion of the project will be first. MPO will vote regarding the Walker Street and Trail Bike Project.
- 2. Joseph Belles Town Council Place 4: Questioned if the Third Street manhole inserts had come in and Mayor Simpson responded they did but they were either too high or too low. Town needs to plan some clean up and fix street signs, etc. Make sure the sign ordinance can be enforced.

Resolutions. Ordinances. Orders and other business:

- a) **Approval for Expenditures:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to approve the payment of the expenditures. Discussion of Hampton Cove Auto Invoices and assigning unit numbers to all vehicles and equipment. Motion carried on voice vote.
- b) Winter Conference/Training for Sergeant Jones: A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve for Sergeant Jones to attend the Winter Conference/Training. Motion carried on voice vote.

- c) Field Training Officer Certification Course for Garrett Mattis \$600.00: A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve for Garrett Mattix to attend the Field Training Officer Certification Course for \$600.00. Motion carried on voice vote.
- d) Donation to the Police Department of \$750.00: A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to accept the \$750.00 donation to the Police Department. Motion carried on voice vote.

Mayor Simpson skipped to item f.

Mr. Soule from the Gurley Lions Club spoke about the race and thanked the Town for their support.

- e) Gurley Lions Club 5K Run on March 4, 2023: A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Belles to approve the Gurley Lion's Club 5K Run on March 4,2023. Motion carried on voice vote.
- f) **Tires for Tractors:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Belles to approve the purchase of the tires for the tractors and trailer for \$2,930.55. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **g)** Approve the IRS Mileage Rates for 2023: A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to approve the mileage rate of 65.5 cents per mile for 2023. Motion carried on voice vote.

Mayor Simpson returned to item e.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to dispense with the reading and move for unanimous consent of agenda items h, i and j. Upon roll call: Yea's – Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles and Simpson. Nay's – None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.

 h) Ordinance 2023-003 Open Burning: A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to adopt Ordinance 2023-003 by Title. Much discussion and Ms. Scott will make the agreed upon changes. Motion carried on voice vote.

A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to approve agenda items i (Resolution 2023-002 RS) and j (Resolution 2023-003 RS) by Title. Upon roll call: Yea's – Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles and Simpson. Nay's – None. Having unanimous consent motion carried.

- i) Resolution 2023-002 RS Nuisance Lien 0 Third Street & 0 Styles Drive \$390.00:
- j) Resolution 2023-003 RS Nuisance Lien 0 Joplin Street & 118 Joplin Street \$420.00:

Miscellaneous Notes:

The December 2022 Financials were handed out to the Council Members. Mayor Simpson informed the Council of the sewer adjustments he made for a total of \$951.58.

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

Ginger Patterson, Town Clerk



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Police Chief's Report to Town Council

- Officer Garrett Mattix is currently in training in Georgia. This is an FTO (Field Training Officer) class. Officer Mattix has been through one and this is a follow-up class. Officer Mattix was able to stay with relatives while attending class which saves the cost of housing.
- I will have the End of First Quarter report at next council meeting. I am meeting at the 911 Center Wednesday or Thursday this week to get the rest of our information for calls ran.
- In January, we passed our 10-33 LESO audit that was conducted by the State of Alabama. Sometime during the remainder of this week, we will have our National Audit with personnel from the Federal Government. I found out today that this will take place on Friday of this week. We are ready and everything is in order.
- Both new patrol cars have had the new graphics installed. There is one parked out behind Town Hall for anyone who would like to look at it. The two black Explorers will be stripped over the next couple of weeks to get ready to have matching decals installed.

Thank You, Chief J.C. Martin

Chief of Police James C. (J.C.) Martin

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