Regular Meeting No. 2023-02-21 RG

Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama Gurley Town Hall February 21, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on February 21, 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, Andy Whitten and Stan Simpson.

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 February 7, 2023. On voice vote, motion carried.

Reports of Officers:

- a. Police Department: All Town vehicles, trailers and equipment have been issued new unit numbers. Still in process of compiling the end of the first quarter reports. One of the black Ford Explorers has been stripped of decals and the other is in process of removing the decals. Officer Whalen received praise on his professionalism on locating a missing kid. Discussed the 1033 Program and how it works.
- **b.** Fire Department: Responded to Fire Alarms at the AT&T Building. February has been a light month.
- **c. Town Administrator:** The report from the Building Department was handed out. Working on the Burn Ordinance & Sign Ordinance. Gearing up for grass and weed season.

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

- 1. **Stan Simpson-Mayor:** Failures in our sewer system. The Section Line Road pump station has been down.
- 2. **Joseph Belles Town Council Place** 4: Responded that he voted nay on the Burn Ordinance. Invited everyone to attend Build Day at MCES on Thursday, March 2, 2023.

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 on the door lock for the garage door and the yearly maintenance invoices. Motion carried on voice vote.
- b) **Gurley Lion's Club Donation to Police Department \$1,200.00:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Whitten to accept the \$1,200.00 donation from the Gurley Lion's Club to the Police Department. Motion carried on voice vote.
- c) Authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract to sale the Tahoe and purchase a replacement vehicle: A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract to sale the Tahoe and purchase a replacement vehicle from Buster Miles for the cash price of \$13,000.00. Upon roll call: Yea's Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten & Simpson. Nay's none. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- d) Authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Civics Plus for the website: A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Belles to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Civics Plus for the website for \$15,124.00 for a 3-year contract. Upon roll call: Yea's-Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. Nay's-none. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.

A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Belles to approve items e and f. The trash receptacles will be purchased from Barco Products for \$7,106.65 and the message boards will be purchased from Uline for \$2,621.98. Upon roll call: Yea's- Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten & Simpson. Nay's-none. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.

- e) Authorize the Mayor to enter a contract to purchase 15 trash receptacles Gurley Cemetery
- f) Authorize the Mayor to purchase 3 message boards Town Hall, Library & Cemetery.
- **g)** Appointments to the Board of Adjustments: A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Boyett to extend the terms for Roger Jennings, Chairman and Joe Layne, Vice President for 3-years (1/2023-1/2026). Motion carried on voice vote.

Consent Agenda:

h) Ty Rains request for reduced dimension at 153 Jackson Street: A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to approve the request from Ty Rains for reduced dimensions at 153 Jackson Street. Upon roll call: Yea's- Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles Whitten & Simpson. Nay's- None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.

Miscellaneous Notes:

- The January 2023 Financials were handed out to the Council Members.
- Mayor Simpson reminded everyone about the Statement of Economic Interest Forms that are due April 30, 2023.
- Councilman Whitten handed his letter of resignation to Mayor Simpson.
 Mayor Simpson read it. His resignation is effective March 7, 2023. Many thanks given to Councilman Whitten for his service.

A motion was made by Whitten, seconded by Winn to adjourn. Motion carried on voice vote	
Ginger Patterson, Town Clerk	Stan Simpson, Mayor