

**Regular Meeting No. 2022-04-19-RG**  
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama  
Gurley Town Hall  
April 19, 2022 7:00 p.m.

**Regular Meeting:**

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on April 19, 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 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 April 5, 2022. On voice vote, motion carried.

**Public Comments:**

No comments.

**Reports of Officers:**

- a) **Police Department:** Sergeant Jones will be off duty at least until May 5, 2022. Reported on the events, calls, citations, accident reports and case reports for the prior 6-month period.
- b) **Fire Department:** 38 calls as of today. Still picking up for Killingsworth Cove and Central. Hose & Ladder Test on April 25<sup>th</sup>. Huntsville Fire Marshall Training went well. The testing on the hydrants is done and complete, which will help with ISO rating. Working on getting a key to the Elementary School.

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

- 1. **Stan Simpson-Mayor:** Reported on the terminal excise tax refund, Department of Finance money we received, the water tank yearly maintenance fee of \$8,538.44 and the Tourism Grant from Representative Ritchie Whorton. Informed everyone about the law that passed in Montgomery that limits fines and forfeitures to 10% of the budget.

**Resolutions. Ordinances. Orders and other business:**

- a) **Approval for Expenditures:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to approve the payment of the expenditures Motion carried on voice vote.
- b) **Voting Delegate Authorization for Annual Convention:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Winn to appoint Mayor Simpson as the primary voting delegate and Councilman Belles and the secondary voting delegate to the Annual Convention. Motion carried on voice vote.
- c) **Donations of \$150.00 to the Police Department:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Belles to accept the \$150.00 donations made to the Police Department. Motion carried on voice vote.
- d) **Hire Gary Kern as Building Officer at \$25.00 per hour:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to hire Gary Kern as the Building Officer at a rate of \$25.00 per hour on an as needed basis. Motion carried on voice vote.
- e) **Approve Beverly Scott for credit card use:** A motion was made by Winn, seconded by Meyers to approve the credit card use for Beverly Scott. Motion carried on voice vote.
- f) **Approve the purchase of 2 weed eaters for Public Works:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to approve the purchase of 2 weed eaters for the Public Works Department in the amount of \$459.99 each. Motion carried on voice vote.

- g) **Appoint Chief Ruffing as Fire Marshall, reports to Mayor:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to appoint Chief Ruffing as the Fire Marshall, will report to Mayor Simpson. Motion carried on voice vote.
- h) **Approve Shred-it for June 4<sup>th</sup> Community Event \$300.00 per hour:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve Shred-it for a Community Event on June 4, 2022, with a 3-hour minimum charge. Motion carried on voice vote.
- i) **Resolution 2022-002 RS Municipal Water Pollution Prevention (MWPP) Program:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to dispense with the reading and move for immediate consideration of Resolution 2022-002 RS by Title. Motion carried on voice vote.
- j) **Resolution 2022-003 RS Sales Tax Holiday July 15-17, 2022:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to dispense with the reading and move for immediate consideration of Resolution 2022-003 RS by Title. Motion carried on voice vote.

#### **Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Belles to immediately consider Ordinance 2022-001, Ordinance 2022-002, Ordinance 2022-003 and Ordinance 2020-007 R1. Upon roll call: Yea's – Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles and Simpson. Nay's – None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.

- k) **Ordinance 2022-001 Water Rate Increase:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to dispense with the reading and move to approve Ordinance 2022-001 by Title. Upon roll call: Yea's- Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles and Simpson. Nay's- None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- l) **Ordinance 2022-002 Burial Fee Schedule:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to dispense with the reading and move to approve Ordinance 2022-002 by Title: Motion carried on voice vote.
- m) **Ordinance 2022-003 Building Permit Fee Schedule:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Belles to dispense with the reading and move to approve Ordinance 2022-003 by Title. Motion carried on voice vote.
- n) **Ordinance 2020-007 R1 Open Burning Permits:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to dispense with the reading and move to approve Ordinance 2020-007 R1 by Title. Motion carried on voice vote.
- o) **Resolution 2022-004 RS Allowing Gurley Police Officers to use certain Equipment for Off-Duty Security Employment:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Belles to immediately consider Resolution 2022-004 RS. Mayor Simpson read the Resolution. Upon roll call: Yea's-Meyers, Winn, Boyett, Belles and Simpson. Nay's- None. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.

**Chief Martin recognized Garrett Mattix as Officer of the Year for 2021. He was presented a certificate and medal.**

#### **Miscellaneous Notes:**

**All Council Members received a copy of the March 2022 Financials.  
Statement of Economic Interest is Due April 30, 2022**

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

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Ginger M. Patterson, Town Clerk

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Stan Simpson, Mayor