

Regular Meeting No. 2020-07-07-RG
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama
Gurley Town Hall
July 7, 2020 7:00 p.m.

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on July 7, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gurley Town Hall for a regular meeting.

Upon roll call, present were Bill Dear, Robert Winn, Robert Sentell, Gary Boyett, Dorothy Johnson and Andrew Whitten. Mayor Sentell declared a quorum and called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Whitten, seconded by Johnson, to dispense with the reading and approve, as prepared, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 16, 2020. On voice vote, motion carried.

Public Comments

1. **Paul Hall** – 488 Gurley Pike- Discuss Anti-Litter Ordinance
2. **Joe Belles** – 126 McKinney Drive – Several properties need cleaning up. Some discussion on the trash on little cove road.

Consent Agenda:

- a) **Bills for Approval:** A motion was made by Boyett and seconded by Whitten to approve the bills to be paid. Motion carried on voice vote.
- b) **Ordinance 270-R3 To Adopt a New Fine Schedule for the Town of Gurley Anti- Litter Offense:** A motion was made by Sentell and seconded by Dear to amend the First Reading of Ordinance 270-R3 to change Ordinance 270-R2 with the revised Table Inset under Section 4 to include the 3 new fine structures for the Anti-Litter Offense and we will call it Ordinance 270-R3. Motion carried on voice vote. A motion was made by Dear and seconded by Boyett to adopt Ordinance 270-R3 as amended. Motion carried on voice vote.

Presentation of Reports:

- **Robert Sentell – Mayor** – A mask is required with you come into the Town Hall.
- **Dorothy Johnson- Town Council Place 4** – A resident on Joplin Street is feeding wild animals.
- **Andrew Whitten – Town Council Place 5** – Discussed putting up signs about the brake noise on trucks.

Department Reports:

- **Police:** Last 2 years we have not had a response to resistance. Thank the officers for what they are doing. Skid car training in August for the Officers and Gary Kern. A motion was made by Sentell and seconded by Whitten to approve the Police Officers and the Town Administrator to go to the skid car training. Motion carried.
- **Planning Commission:** Met last Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. Next meeting on July 28,2020 at 6:00 p.m.
- **Town Administrator:** See Attached Notes. A motion was made by Dear and seconded by Whitten to hire 2 part-time employees not to exceed 90 days from the date of hire at \$10.00 per hour. We will review this after 45 days. Motion carried.

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

Ginger M. Patterson, Town Clerk

Robert Sentell, Mayor

Town Administrator and Street Department Report to the Gurley Town Council-July 7th, 2020

1. See attached report on the Meeting with Jones Utility Service to begin the videoing of the Sewer lines.
2. We have purchased quantities of facemasks, gloves, disinfecting wipes, hand sanitizer to keep the Gurley Town Hall clean. We clean before and after each meeting. We clean the doors and handles and the bathroom often. We have masks, gloves and ask people coming to court to maintain the proper distance.
3. All Councilmembers, Planning Commission members, Police Department and Fire Department members are invited to attend the Luncheon for the Street Department Team on Friday at 2 to 4 PM. Please sign the thank you cards before you leave tonight.
4. We have notified property owners around town who has neglected to cut their grass or clean up their property. Many have complied and are in the process of addressing these issues. Those who have not, are receiving citations. A summons to court has resulted in a local business to clean up the property. Should not require a court summons to get results.
5. We have approved residential permit for a new construction house on the Hereford property at the corner of Gurley Pike and Hereford Road.
6. A request by Graylon Bozarth to make the two temporary street dept. staff to be fulltime. Graylon also request the raise for the promotion to full time.
7. Mr. Bozarth requests we allow him to hire two part time staff to continue the normal duties of the two full time staff member who will be assigned to begin the videoing of the house to main service lines next month. They will be assigned to mowing, reading meters, cleaning up around town, etc.
8. #4 Lift Station is still clogging up the pumps, they were successful in clearing one pump with reverse flush. Adam Lea from Ladd Engineering will review the pump specifications and see what can be done.
9. The TARCOG grant in on schedule, however we were notified today, the deadline has been extended to August 10th
10. The mower in the shop had bad valves and head issues, repair was \$1064.00.
11. The park lights have been repaired, pot holes filled, replaced 2 rear tires on the Ford F150, repaired water leaks at 107 Park Circle and 125 Bostic Rd. Parts to repair the boom arm was \$768.75, we did the labor.
12. The drive way sewer ditch pipe at 235 Third St. has collapsed on one end, the large amounts of water cannot get through. Graylon says, if the home owner will pay for the new pipe he will do the work.
13. If any citizens have questions regarding any issues around town, i.e.; status of signs, grass mowing, vehicle issues, complaints, building questions, etc. They should contact the Gurley Town Hall and ask for the Town Clerk or the Town Administrator. These issues are ongoing and probably have been addressed already.

Report to Gurley Town Council-July 7, 2020

Subject: Videoing for First Phase of the Sewer System

We met today with Ladd Engineering, Jones Utility Service, (Bobby Jones), Gurley Town Administrator and Graylon Bozarth, to review the plan to video the first phase of the sewer system.

1. The start date will be around July 27th, 2020
2. The Utility Company states, it will take around 45 days or less.
3. If the 6" clay pipes are broken or collapsed, he will have to use a camera that only takes picture's and not give specification data.
4. The staging area for his equipment will be behind the street dept. building
5. Graylon has suggested we consider including the Rail Road St. sewer line because we know there is a lot of infiltration in this area. Mr. Jones is willing to include this area and try to cover it with reduced service in other areas, if possible.
6. Additional areas that Mr. Jones suggest we consider, A) power cleaning the manhole's for \$50.00 each X 42= \$2100.00, B) yearly on-going cleaning of the sewer line to keep debris from clogging the pipes, would cost around \$1.00 per foot, 40 to 60 thousand feet of pipe. C) He could drain and clean the pump stations to help in keeping the pumps clear, \$100.00 per station X 5= \$500.00

If we do decide to allow Jones Utility service to do any extra work, it would be kept under the \$50 Thousand threshold. This can be decided before they get started.

Submitted By,

Gary Kern, Town Administrator