

Regular Meeting No. 2020-12-01-RG
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama
Gurley Town Hall
December 1, 2020 7:00 p.m.

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on December 1, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gurley Town Hall for a regular meeting.

Mayor Simpson called the meeting to order. Upon roll call, present were Bill Dear, Robert Winn, Gary Boyett, Joseph Belles, Andrew Whitten and Stan Simpson.

A motion was made by Whitten, seconded by Belles, to dispense with the reading and approve as prepared, the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting held on November 2, 2020. On voice vote, motion carried.

Reports of Officers:

- a) **Town Administrator:** See Attached Notes.
- b) **Police Department:** See Attached Notes.
- c) **Fire Department:** Zach Albright asked for \$1,000.00 donation to buy fruit and candy for Santa to hand out on December 19th, 2020. This will be discussed at next council meeting.

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

- a) **Mayor Simpson:** Commented on internet wifi and the process.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and other Business:

- a) **Bills for Approval:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Wynn to approve the bills to be paid. Upon roll call: Yes's- Dear, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. No's- none. Motion carried on voice vote.
Ordinance 2020-007 Open Burning Permits: A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Belles to dispense with the reading and move for immediate consideration of Ordinance 2020-007 by Title. Upon roll call: Yes's -Dear, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. No's- none. Having unanimous consent, a motion was made by Wynn, seconded by Belles to adopt Ordinance 2020-007 by Title. Motion carried on voice vote.
- b) **Ordinance 2012-001R3 Amendment to Sign Ordinance:** : A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Boyett to dispense with the reading and move for immediate consideration of amending Ordinance 2012-001R3 by Title. Upon roll call: Yes's-Dear, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. No's- none. Having unanimous consent, a motion was made by Dear, seconded by Boyett to amend Ordinance 2012-001R3 by Title. Motion carried on voice vote.
- c) **No U turn Sign:** A motion was made by Dear, seconded by Boyett to approve the U Turn Sign on 4th Street./80 Beans Coffee. . Upon roll call: Yes's- Dear, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. No's- none. Motion carried on voice vote.
- d) **Medical Protocol for Initial Treating Physician Program (Triage):** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Belles, to approve the Medical Protocol for Municipal Workers Compensation Fund. . Upon roll call: Yes's- Dear, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. No's- none. Motion carried on voice vote.
- e) **Police Phones:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Wynn, to approve the Verizon contract for iPhone for the Police Department at \$2879.28/ year. The cost for equipment is \$224.94. . Upon roll call: Yes's- Dear, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. No's- none. Motion carried on voice vote.

- f) **Police Badges:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Whitten to approve the purchase of police badges . Upon roll call: Yes's- Dear, Winn, Boyett, Belles, Whitten and Simpson. No's- none. Motion carried on voice vote.

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

Tammy Giroir, Town Clerk

Stan Simpson, Mayor

Town Administrator Review for the Town Council Work Session-November 30, 2020

1. Review of the proposed Open Burning Ordinance 2020-007, requiring a permit to be issued for large or unusual burning of large trees, brush and wood debris from clearing land for the new construction of a home. Not intended to be required for a resident to burn small amounts of limbs, bushes, leaves, etc.
2. Review the procedure for the request of a building permit to build, remodel, add on to an existing building, repair damage structures, update plumbing, electrical, HVAC, etc. Permit applications are specific as to the information required for any situation. Town Administrator will review all applications and determine the required information for each project along with the type and number of inspections. Refer to Ordinance 219-R2, Article VIII, Section 8-1 thru 8-4 for Administrative and enforcement.
3. Proposal to notify all outdoor sign owners if their sign does not meet the Gurley outdoor sign ordinance requirements. Some signs were grandfathered in for a period of five years and now that period is up. They will be notified that the sign does not meet the ordinance requirement and why. They have thirty days to remove the sign or apply for a permit for a sign that will meet the requirements. Should this be an Amendment to ordinance 2012-001R2, or can we move forward with this plan to resolve and address the sign issues?

Gurley Police Department

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Date: December 1, 2020

Current Items:

- Currently still working on a proposal for departmental training. This proposal will be for online training that is available to the officers at any time they are available to take the classes. Online classes can count towards half of the yearly-required training by APOSTC.
- Currently still working on an updated SOP for our evidence. This will strengthen the current SOP that is currently in place and lower the liability of the town by having stronger evidence handling techniques.
- Graphics for Unit 21 were taken to shop and the vehicle should be returned by this coming week.
- I would like to ask for your thoughts and prayers for Officer Gordon Haynes in the passing of his stepmother. Officer Haynes will be out of town this coming weekend for the final arrangements and to assist his father.
- Please also keep Officer Emily Jones and her husband in your thoughts and prayers. Officer Jones husband has been in the hospital the last two days. Officer Jones husband was released from the hospital today and is recovering at home while waiting on appointments with specialists.