

Regular Meeting No. 2023-04-18 RG
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama
Gurley Town Hall
April 18, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on April 18, 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, Gary Boyett, Joseph Belles, Tammy Whitten, Robert Winn 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 4, 2023. On voice vote, motion carried.

Public Comments:

Paul Hall - 488 Gurley Pike – Volunteered to sing the National Anthem at the 4th of July Celebration this year.

Reports of Officers:

- **Police Department:** Reported on the first 3 months of the fiscal year. The black explorers are being stripped. Officer Landis and I will map out the lights to install in Unit #2205. Pricing laptop mounts, thermal printers and cages.
- **Fire Department:** Reported on the 2nd Quarter of the fiscal year with 101 calls. Currently have 14 personnel. Will be discussing the Golf Tournament. The Crown Vic's received service and are awaiting lights and graphics. Mayor Simpson commented he is working with Chief Ruffing on doing some control burns.
- **Town Administrator:** Clean up around town is ongoing. Sent out 20 letters, most are compliant. Mapco is paving their lot. Zoom meeting with KnowBe4, they train companies. Webpage development meeting on Thursday. Annual analysis of Blue Cross Blue Shield. Broadband meeting this morning. Lala Moe's Catering has applied for a business license and will be doing catering and small events only.

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

- **Richard Meyers – Town Council Place 1:** Dumping on Childress. Questioned what does the state requirement for a work session. Mayor Simpson responded the work session is for information, no decisions can be made and we need to have an agenda. Beverly produces a bullet point document of the work sessions.
- **Stan Simpson- Mayor:** Attended Broadband meeting today. Starting the search for a backhoe. Met with Croy Engineering regarding the cemetery. Attended the Huntsville Leadership meeting today.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders and other business:

- **Approval for Expenditures:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to approve the payment of the expenditures. Comments were made on the towing bill and the monthly car wash bill. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Approve the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Madison County Sheriff's Office regarding Housing of Inmates for 2023:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Boyett to approve the Mayor to enter into an agreement

with Madison County Sheriff's Office regarding Housing of Inmates for 2023. The cost remained the same of \$55.00 per day and a \$5.00 booking fee. Motion carried on voice vote

- **Pro-Computer Quotes:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to accept the quotes from Pro-Computers for Squad room computer, power distribution unit and a laptop for intern/general use. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Renewal of Health, Dental & Optical Insurance in July 2023:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Winn to approve the 2023 insurance premiums for Health, Dental and Optical to become effective July 2023. Ms. Scott reported it will be a net increase of 8 percent. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Merit Raises for Employees Effective April 8, 2023:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Boyett to approve the merit raises for 2023 for the employees effective on the pay period beginning April 8th. Mayor Simpson reported it would be an overall increase of \$18,766.25. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Resolution 2023-004 RS Employee Appreciation:** A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to dispense with the reading and move for immediate consideration of Resolution 2023-004 RS by Title. Upon roll call: Yea's-Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn and Simpson. Nay's – none. Having unanimous, motion carried.
- **Approve a \$1,000 budget for cabinets for kitchen and a storage cabinet for office supply:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to approve the budget of \$1,000.00 to purchase cabinets for the kitchen, a storage cabinet for office supplies and a bookshelf for the Code of Alabama books. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Approve quote for \$345 for pictures for Council Chambers:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve the quote from S & S Photography for \$345 for pictures for the Council Chambers. Motion carried on voice vote.

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

Ginger Patterson, Town Clerk

Stan Simpson, Mayor