

Regular Meeting No. 2023-04-04 RG
Of the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama
Gurley Town Hall
April 4, 2023 7:00 p.m.

Regular Meeting:

The Town Council of Gurley, Alabama, met on April 4, 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 Boyett, seconded by Winn, to dispense with the reading and approve as prepared, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 21, 2023. On voice vote, motion carried.

Public Comments:

Paul Hall - 488 Gurley Pike - Glad to see the improvements and looks of the Town.

Reports of Officers:

- **Town Administrator:** Everyone has a copy of Gary's report. Talking to others to find cyber security training. Sent out 15 letters for nuisance complaints. Meeting with KPS on April 5th at 11:00. April 11th at 6:00 is the community meeting regarding the comp plan amendment. Meeting with Civics Plus Design Team on the 13th or 14th. Meeting on the 18th with ADECA regarding broadband.
- **Fire Department:** 41 Calls in March. Met with Chief McFarlene regarding the disaster response marking system and he will come and talk to the Council and Police Department. A copy of the Expense Summary was given to everyone.

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

- **Richard Meyers – Town Council Place 1:** Questioned if we had looked into the municipal storm water project that just came out. Mayor Simpson responded we are having Ladd Environmental look into this project.
- **Joseph Belles- Town Council Place 4:** Appreciates the support of Autism Awareness and everyone wearing blue tonight.

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. Questions regarding Southeastern Business Machines invoice and the overage charges, Granite Data invoices, the invoice for the work done at the pool, and why the Pace Analytical invoices are always different. Motion carried on voice vote.
- **Budget for the 4th of July Celebration and the Christmas Tree Trail:**
A motion was made by Boyett, seconded by Meyers to accept the budget of \$16,026.77 for the 4th of July Celebrations and \$7,715.00 for the Christmas Tree Trail. Mayor Simpson discussed we would be receiving funds from Senator Givhan and Representative Ritchie Whorton for these events. Motion carried on voice vote.

- Transfer the 2 Crown Vic's from the Police Department to the Fire Department:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Belles to approve the transfer of the 2 Crown Vic's from the Police Department to the Fire Department. Upon roll call: Yea's-Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn and Simpson. Nay's – none. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- Approve Final TARCOC Highway 72 Corridor Study:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Boyett to approve the final TARCOC Highway 72 Corridor Study. Mayor Simpson added the Planning Commission recommended the Town Council accept it. Motion carried on voice vote.
- Approve for Graces of Gurley to use Charles Stone Park on September 9, 2023, for a Pet Pageant:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Belles to approve for Graces of Gurley to use Charles Stone Park on September 9, 2023, for a Pet Pageant. Motion carried on voice vote.
- Approve the Mayor to enter into a contract to hire an Electrical Inspector for the Building Department:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to approve the Mayor to hire Blake Green as the Electrical Inspector for the Building Department at a rate of \$26.00 per hour. Mayor Simpson reported he has a State of Alabama Contractor's License. Motion carried on voice vote.
- Approve the Mayor to enter into a contract to hire a part-time person to mow:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Winn to approve the Mayor to enter into a contract with Chase Allen to mow the cemetery and other mowing as needed at a rate of \$14.00 per hour. Upon roll call: Yea's-Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn & Simpson. Nay's- none. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.
- Approve the Mayor to enter into a contract to hire a non-paid intern for the Town of Gurley:** A motion was made by Belles, seconded by Meyers to approve the Mayor to enter into a contract with Bryce Holt as a non-paid intern for the Town of Gurley. Mayor Simpson said Bryce is a Presidential Scholar at The University of Alabama. Motion carried on voice vote.
- Approve the Mayor to enter into a contract with Geotechnical Engineering:** A motion was made by Meyers, seconded by Boyett to approve the Mayor to enter into a contract with Geotechnical Engineering for \$13,775.00. Upon roll call: Yea's-Meyers, Boyett, Belles, Whitten, Winn & Simpson. Nay's-none. Having unanimous consent, motion carried.

Mayor Simpson spoke briefly about items to be discussed at the Work Session on Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

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

Ginger Patterson, Town Clerk

Stan Simpson, Mayor