

**ORDINANCE NO. 2013-004R1**  
**ORDINANCE FOR THE TOWN OF GURLEY, ALABAMA**  
**RELATED TO MUNICIPAL CEMETERIES**

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Gurley, Alabama, finds that it is in the public interest to maintain, beautify and improve our municipal cemetery; and

**WHEREAS**, Council finds that it will benefit the entire community to provide comprehensive planning and maintenance efforts for any and all cemeteries owned by the Town now and in the future;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GURLEY, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.**

(A) There is hereby created the Gurley Municipal Cemeteries Committee (hereinafter "Committee"), the purpose of which is to study, make recommendations to the Town Council regarding, and perform and assist in the performance of maintenance of and improvements to the grounds and structures of all cemeteries operated and maintained by the Town of Gurley, as approved and coordinated by the Town as provided herein.

(B) The Committee shall be composed of five (5) members as set forth below, each with full voting rights:

Place 1 Member of the Gurley Town Council to be selected by the mayor and approved by the Council from the current membership of the Council at the time this place comes open for appointment.

Place 2-5 At large members shall be approved by the Town Council and shall serve four year terms to coincide with the Council's term of office. All members of the Committee shall reside in Madison County, Alabama, and at least two members shall be residents of the Town of Gurley.

(C) Any member may be removed by a majority vote of the Town Council for cause, including, without limitation, failure to regularly attend scheduled meetings of the Committee.

(D) Vacancies on the committee shall be filled in accordance with the processes set forth above and, where applicable, shall be for the unexpired term of the member replaced.

(E) The Committee shall elect a chairman and vice-chairman and such other officers as the members deem necessary. To the extent of the same do not conflict with the laws of the Town of Gurley or the State of Alabama, the Committee shall adopt rules of procedure and bylaws to govern its operations and shall therein specify the number of committee members constituting a quorum.

(F) The Committee shall meet regularly, but not less than semi-annually, at a frequency responsive to the needs and demands of the Town and its citizens. Members shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for expenses incurred on behalf of the Committee in accordance with the rules and regulations for the reimbursement of expenses adopted by the Committee and subject to budgetary approval of the Town Council.

(G) Regularly scheduled meetings of the Committee shall be public meetings and shall be conducted in accordance with the Alabama Open Meetings Act, or successive Legislation, as the same is most recently amended and codified.

(H) Any regular maintenance to a cemetery operated by the Town of Gurley which is recommended by the Committee must be approved by and coordinated through the office of the Mayor or his designee. Improvements or enlargements to a cemetery operated by the Town of Gurley shall be approved by the Gurley Town Council.

## **Section 2.**

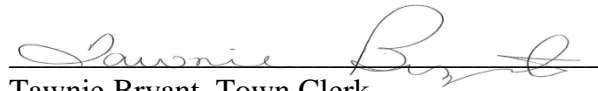
This Ordinance shall become effective upon its publication as required by law.

**READ, PASSED AND APPROVED** this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2014.



Robert Sentell, Mayor and Presiding Officer of the  
Town Council of the Town of Gurley

ATTEST:



Tawnie Bryant, Town Clerk