

Mayor– Bob Sentell

Council Members–Robert Winn, Bill Dear, Gary Boyett, Andy Whitten, Dot Johnson,

Council Meetings held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the Month @ 7:00 PM.



GURLEY

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Alan D. Hicks Chief of Police

In case of emergency dial **911**

Non-Emergency number **256-722-7181**

Madison County Sheriff Department

GURLEY

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Zach Albright, Fire Chief

Monthly meetings on the first Monday of each month. Fire Station One-6 PM Subject to change. See Facebook

**Gurley Town Hall
Open Monday–Friday
8:00 AM–4:00 PM
Closed Saturday and Sunday**



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Post Office Box 128
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to the

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GURLEY HISTORY



Gurley, Alabama is located in a beautiful fertile valley. The community lies 16 miles east of Huntsville and is bordered on the west by the Flint River and on the east by the Paint Rock River.

As early as 1830, several families purchased land and built homes in what was then a densely wooded area. The surrounding forests provided an abundance of wild game for the settlers. Families and the natural spring and wells were known for the plentiful supply of fresh pure water. John Gurley was one of these settlers.

When the Memphis and Charleston Railroad laid track through Gurley in 1857, John Gurley built a large cedar water tank near the railroad. Water was piped to this tank from a spring on Keel Mountain, which overlooks the town on its southern border. Settlers who built their homes near the water tank tapped into the lines and Gurley became the first town in Madison County to have its own water works system.

The son of John Gurley, Captain Frank B. Gurley, who was a Confederate veteran, donated a one square mile area extending in equal proportions from the water tank for the town site. The town was incorporated in 1890 with a population of 250 residents. In just one year the population of Gurley grew to 1,000. The town had a fine mercantile business and boasted of numerous manufacturing establishments including a cedar basket factory a stove and hoop factory and Eagle Pencil Mill.

In 1907, the state legislature passed a bill to establish a county high school in each county of the state. Gurley competed with Huntsville for the location of the new county high school.

Governor Comer visited both towns and selected Gurley as the site for the school after being influenced by the overwhelming community support. Four and one half acres of land which included the two story brick building housing the Robert Donnell Academy were donated, along with a \$2500.00 donation from the city of Gurley to support the operation of the new school.

As late as the 1940s and 1950s, Gurley still had a drug store, a bank, five grocery stores, and its own movie theater. The Joy Theater was owned and operated by Mr. and Mrs. Harris Formby.

In the last two hundred years, Gurley has seen many changes, but nonetheless it maintains its heritage and reputation for southern hospitality.

GURLEY TOWN SERVICES



WATER AND SEWER

Payments are due on the **20th** of each month. After the 20th of the month, a 10% penalty will be applied.

Schedule of applicable rates are available at our office, 235 Walker Street or viewed on our website.

PAY WATER BILLS ONLINE BY CREDIT/DEBIT CARD

CURBSIDE GARBAGE PICKUP

Each Monday morning. Large items and green matter must be separated. This service is different and separate from Madison County Garbage Collection. 256-532-3718.

Large load pickups by arrangement only. \$35.00 per truck load. Call the clerk for details.

PERMITS

Permits are needed for any zoning changes, outside building changes including pools, installation/replacement of outside signs, and selling liquor. Permits can be picked up at town hall or downloaded from our website.

NOTARY SERVICES

Available during normal business hours.

ORDINANCES

Listed on our website are various town ordinances: Zoning, sign, noise, animal, nuisance and others.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

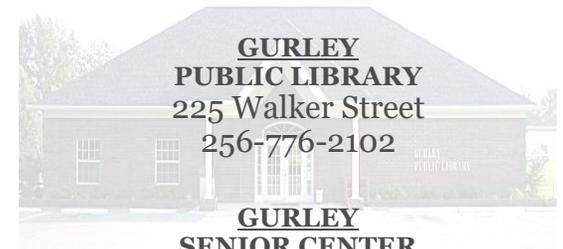
Mayor	256-776-3313 ext. 11
Town Clerk	256-776-3313 ext. 10
Water/Sewer/Court	256-776-3313 ext. 10
Police Chief	256-776-3313 ext. 13
Town Administrator	256-776-3313 ext. 14

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GURLEY ORGANIZATIONS



**GURLEY HISTORIC ASSOCIATION
GURLEY LIONS CLUB
GURLEY LIONESS CLUB
FRIENDS OF GURLEY LIBRARY
GURLEY MASONIC LODGE
GRACES OF GURLEY**



**GURLEY
SENIOR CENTER
339 3rd Street
256-776-9830**

**GURLEY
POOL
311 3rd Street**

**CHARLES STONE
PARK**

Available for rental. Call town hall for details.

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