**CITY OF GUTHRIE**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**August 10, 2021, 7:00pm**

Present Absent

Council Members Katie Covington Pam Turner

Harry Green Doreen Lynch

Norma Williams

Zollie Rose

Mayor Covington called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours. There was a quorum present.

**Public Comments:** Helen Gardner asked for gravel at her dead-end street at 125 Howell. She said that the city has always provided that in past years, but it was long overdue for more. She stated that she wants it paved since it is not a driveway but a city street. Mayor Covington said we will get the gravel delivered this time but will have to check into whether or not it is a city street or a driveway, and that there were no funds to pave it if it were a street until the city catches up on audits and starts receiving their road fund monies.

Jackie Olmack asked if the city could mow the sidewalk across the street from her house at 236 N Ewing St. The property is abandoned, and the grass and weeds have grown up over the sidewalk and she has trouble walking her dog. Mayor Covington said he will send someone out there.

Heather Johnson expressed concerns with drainage at her house on the corner of E Park and Nelson. She stated that over time the road has been built up and she has no drainage ditch and during heavy rains, water is almost flooding her house. Benn Stahl had mentioned that city hall referred this complaint to him, and he included an aerial map in his report and was going to get an estimate on what it would cost the city to fix this issue. Ms. Johnson agreed to him getting the figures together ready to present at next meeting.

**Reading Minutes:** The minutes were read by the City Council Members for the meeting on July 13, 2021. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Harry Green and seconded by Zollie Rose. This motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Report:** The July 2021 financial reports were read by the City Council Members and approved as read. A motion to accept the financial reports was made by Katie Covington and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously.

**Fire Report:** None

**Utility Report:** Benn Stahl gave the report, and it is attached.

**Police Report:** Chief Blumel gave the report, and it is attached

**Engineering Report-** none

**Old Business:**

1. **South Guthrie Water-** Attorney Traughber said that he was working on the easements and the terms that needed to be included in them.

**New Business:**

**a) New Account for American Rescue Funds-** we received our check this month and need a new account to deposit it in so that tracking of the funds is easily documented. This account would have the same signers as all the other accounts in the city name. A motion to approved was made by Harry Green and seconded by Zollie Rose. This motion carried unanimously.

**b) Sewer Use Ordinance-** this was tabled again to allow Jeff time to meet with Benn Stahl and prepare

**Mayor’s FYI-** There will be a meeting this month with the owners of the Cates truck stop to determine where they are in the planning process and hopefully to discuss consent to annex.

**Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn at 19:44 hours was made by Harry Green and seconded by

Katie Covington. This motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn at 19:44 0 hours 44 minutes

Minutes by Alison Austin, City Clerk James Covington, Mayor