

CITY OF GUTHRIE
COUNCIL MEETING
November 12, 2019 7:00pm

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Council Members:	Katie Covington	Pam Turner
	Harry Green	Norma Williams
	Chad Johnson	
	Mary King	

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

Reading Minutes: The minutes were read by the City Council Members for the meeting on October 3, 2019. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Mary King and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously. The minutes were read by the City Council Members for the meeting on October 15, 2019. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Mary King and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report: The October 2019 financial reports were read by the City Council Members and approved as read. A motion to accept the financial reports was made by Harry Green and seconded by Chad Johnson. This motion carried unanimously.

Fire Report: Attorney Jeff Traughber presented the interlocal agreement between the cities of Guthrie, Elkton and Trenton and Todd County for the operation and maintenance of the ladder truck. A motion to accept the agreement was made by Harry Green and seconded by Katie Covington. This motion carried unanimously.

Utility Report: Benn Stahl gave the report and is attached. Benn did make special mention that we installed two new sewer taps for homes being built on Pennyriple Court and East Park Street and the one on East Park Street has not been paid for. He made the recommendation that we needed to bill for that tap. Benn also made mention that we are in need of extra storage at the wastewater plant. He has found a storage container for \$4000.00 from Contained LLC that we would split 50/50 between water and sewer. A motion to approve the purchase was made by Chad Johnson and seconded by Mary King. This motion carried unanimously. Lastly, we are in need of another full-time employee to help relieve the workload on Michael and Devin. Benn asked that we start thinking about that need and possibly advertise for the position after the first of the year. After discussion of this it was decided to advertise now for the position and hire possibly at the first of the year. A motion was made by Mary King and seconded by Chad Johnson. This motion carried unanimously.

Police Report: Chief Blumel gave the police report and it is attached.

Engineering Report- Mike McGhee gave the engineering report and it is attached. The following change order and pay requests were presented:

Novelis Gas line project-Change order #4 for crop damage-\$3,837.50

Novelis Sewer- Hall Environmental consulting fee \$1,155.00

Novelis Gas- McGhee Engineering \$13,000.00

Green Acres-Bobbie Luttrell & Sons \$11,964.50

A motion to approve was made by Chad Johnson and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously.

Old Business: Executive Session- KRS 61.810 (c) Discussin of proposed or pending

Litigation- a motion was made at 20:24 by Mary King to enter executive session because discussion in public could hinder decisions. The motion was seconded by Harry Green and carried unanimously. A motion to exit executive session at 20:26 was made by Mary King and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

1st Reading of Ordinance 2019-13 Annexation of Stagecoach Inn-a motion to accept was made by Harry Green and seconded by Mary King. This motion carried unanimously.

Connie Wofford to sign checks- a motion to add Connie Wofford as a signer to all bank accounts in the City of Guthrie's name was made by Mary King and seconded by Katie Covington. This motion carried unanimously.

Codification of Ordinances update- Alison Austin informed the council the city budgeted \$20,000 to codify ordinances since it had been so long since it was done. After sending them to American Legal, they gave a quote of \$8,500 to complete through 12/31/2019. At the next meeting we are looking into doing a budget amendment to reflect that amount and to use the overage to purchase a cage for the new police cruiser and to get a new roof for City Hall.

Christmas Parade Update- Cissy Clinard gave the update and said that line up is at 10:00, parade starts at 11. She said that they are wanting to extent the route and go down Locust Street. She announced that Rebecca from News Channel 5 will be the Grand Marshal. She showed off the banner that was donated and asked that the city pay for the hardware to hang. The cost of it was \$135 at Guthrie Hardware. A motion to pay for it out of Guthrie's 125 account was made by Harry Green and seconded by Katie Covington. This motion carried unanimously.

Appointment of the following to Code Enforcement Board:

- **Lori Chumbler -3 year term**
- **Lisa Potter- 3 year term**
- **Kathy Freyer- 1 year term**
- **Robert Whittlesey- 2 year term**
- **Audra Langley- 2 year term**

A motion to approve was made by Mary King and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously.

Appointment of the following to Guthrie Ethics Board:

- **Joanie Bedwell- 1 year term**
- **William Simmons- 2 year term**
- **Cynthia Simmons- 3 year term**

A motion to approve was made by Katie Covington and seconded by Mary King. This motion carried unanimously.

Mayor's FYI- The meter reader for the gas department is having trouble finding places because there are no house numbers displayed on mailboxes or houses at many of the residences in Guthrie. This has also been a problem for the city utility employees as well as our police officers. We may need to get an ordinance together in the near future requiring this.

Guthrie's Open House will be December 13, 2019 from 11-1 at the Senior Citizen's center. It will be catered by Red Top Barbecue.

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn at 20:27 was made by Katie Covington and seconded by Harry Green. This motion was carried unanimously.

Adjourn at 20:37 1 hours, 27 minutes

Minutes by Alison Austin, City Clerk

James Covington, Mayor