**CITY OF GUTHRIE**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**September 13, 2022, 7:00pm**

Present Absent

Council Members Katie Covington

Harry Green

Norma Williams (19:22)

Zollie Rose

Pam Turner

Doreen Lynch

Mayor Covington called the meeting to order at 19:06 hours. There was a quorum present.

**Public Comments:** Shelton Covington asked the council to consider a tax rebate for pipes that he is paying to run for his new apartments on Hwy 79. The closest manhole is off Hwy 41, therefore; the pipes will have to run through Covington Park to reach the apartments. The city will own the infrastructure, but Shelton is getting a loan at the bank to install. He is asking that the tax rebate be the amount in interest he will accrue on the loan for this. He is anticipating the interest to be close to $6850 a year for 25 years. A motion was made by Doreen Lynch to have attorney Traughber draw up paperwork for review at next meeting. This motion was seconded by Harry Green and carried unanimously.

**Reading Minutes:** The minutes were read by the City Council Members for the meeting on August 9, 2022. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Pam Turner and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously. The minutes were read by the City Council Members for the meeting on September 7, 2022. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Harry Green and seconded by Zollie Rose. This motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Report:** The August 2022 financial reports were read by the City Council Members and approved as read. A motion to accept the report was made by Pam Turner and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously.

**Fire Report:** None

**Utility Report:** Benn Stahl gave the utility report and it is attached. Benn recommends that we put in the Shelton Covington contract to waive the $500 sewer tap fee and lower the water tap to $250 in order for Shelton to recoup some of the costs associated with this project. Benn also asked to begin accepting bids for the meter replacement project. A motion to accept was made by Zollie Rose and seconded by Pam Turner. This motion carried unanimously.

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

**Engineering Report-** None

**Old Business:**

1. **South Guthrie Water-** Attorney Traughber mentioned that we are trying to finalize an agreement.

**New Business:**

1. **2nd Reading Ordinance 2022-7 Ad Valorem- AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE ADVALOREM TAX RATE UPON THE ASSESSED VALUATIONS OF REAL ESTATE AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, INCLUDING MOTOR VEHICLES, WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF GUTHRIE, KENTUCKY, FOR THE YEAR 2022**- a motion to accept was made by Harry Green and seconded by Pam Turner. This motion carried with a roll call vote of all yeas.
2. **1st Reading Ordinance 2022-8 Mayor Term Limits- AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 31.21 OF THE CITY OF GUTHRIE, KENTUCKY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO ESTABLISH TERM LIMITS UPON THE OFFICE OF MAYOR-**first reading occurred this date
3. **Credit Card for Utility Department-** a motion to take $2,000 from the mayor’s credit card limit and open a new card for the utility department was made by Harry Green and seconded by Pam Turner. The card will have Timothy Devin Turner’s name along with the City of Guthrie and will have the $2,000 limit from the mayor’s card. This motion carried with a majority vote of yeas. Voting opposed was Doreen Lynch.

1. **Auditors-** A motion to accept the $30,000 bid from Baldwin CPAs was made by Pam Turner and seconded by Harry Green. This motion carried unanimously.
2. **Resolution Confirming City Roads-** a motion to accept was made by Harry Green and seconded by Pam Turner. This motion carried unanimously.

**Mayor’s FYI-**

**Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn at 20:00 hours was made by Harry Green and seconded by

Pam Turner. This motion carried unanimously.

Adjourn at 0 hour 54 minutes

Minutes by Alison Blumel, City Clerk James Covington, Mayor