**CITY OF GUTHRIE**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**December 12, 2023, 7:00pm**

Present Absent

Council Members Linda Smith Jimmy Covington

Harry Green

Norma Williams

Russ Longhurst

Pam Turner

Chad Johnson

Harry Green called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours. There was a quorum present. A motion was made by Pam Turner to have Russ Longhurst preside over the meeting. This motion was seconded by Chad Johnson and carried unanimously.

**Public Comments:** Linly Pertzborn requested to get sewer to her property in TN. She lives next door to 5064 Guthrie Road and is 2000ft from Johnson Street.

**Reading Minutes:** The minutes were read by the City Council Members for the meeting on November 14, 2023. A motion to accept was made by Linda Smith and seconded by Chad Johnson. This motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Report:** The November 2023 financial reports were read by the City Council Members and approved as read. A motion to accept the report was made by Harry Green and seconded by Norma Williams. This motion carried unanimously. Chad Johnson mentioned that when the credit card receipts were copied, the long ones were cut off too short. It was also questioned as to what FirstNet is on the financial report. FirstNet is the Wi-Fi cards that the police and utility departments have in their vehicles. Russ Longhurst was concerned that the water fund was so low.

**Fire Report:** none

**Utility Report:** Benn Stahl gave the report, and it is attached. The utility report contained two items that required council approval.

The first of which was Linly Pertzborn requesting the sewer tap mentioned above. After some discussion, it was decided that sewer taps on the Tennessee side of our South Guthrie area would be approved on a case-by-case basis until our new sewer plant is built. The council approved Ms. Pertzborn’s request due to the close proximity of her property to our already existing lines. She is to pay 100% of the fees associated and is approved for 1 tap. A motion to approve was made by Chad Johnson and seconded by Linda Smith. This motion carried unanimously.

The second item for vote was to surplus old brass meters and look for best prices to sell the material. A motion was made by Chad Johnson and seconded by Pam Turner. This motion carried unanimously.

**Police Report:** Sgt. Pinkett gave the report, and it is attached. He mentioned that they will be fully staffed as of January 1, 2024.

**Engineering Report-** none

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

1. **1st Reading Ordinance 2024-1 An Ordinance Amending the Section of Chapter 52 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Guthrie, Kentucky Adjusting and Modifying Water Rates for the Sale of Water by the Water Works System of the City of Guthrie. -**first reading was held tonight. Harry Green asked if this was a 20% increase because it was 22% before.

**Mayor’s FYI-**

**Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn at 19:52 hours was made by Harry Green and seconded by

Pam Turner This motion carried unanimously.

hours 52 minutes

Minutes by Connie Wofford, Deputy Clerk James Covington, Mayor