**CITY OF GUTHRIE**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**April 9, 2024, 7:00pm**

Present Absent

Council Members Linda Smith

Harry Green -7:28

Norma Williams

Russ Longhurst

Pam Turner

Chad Johnson

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

**Public Comments:** none

**Reading Minutes:** The minutes were read by the City Council Members for the meeting on March 12, 2024. Russ Longhurst requested one change to the minutes regarding the public comments question from Zollie Rose. It stated in the minutes that the meeting in question did not occur but in fact it did. A motion to accept with this change was made by Russ Longhurst and seconded by Pam Turner. This motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Report:** The March 2024 financial reports were read by the City Council Members and approved as read. A motion to accept the report was made by Russ Longhurst and seconded by Linda Smith. This motion carried unanimously.

**Fire Report:** none

**Utility Report:** Benn Stahl gave the report, and it is attached. There was one item presented for approval and it was to extend the water line on Johnson Street for Calvin Ligon to build two homes. A motion to approve was made by Russ Longhurst and seconded by Chad Johnson. This motion carried unanimously.

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

**Engineering Report-** Mike McGhee gave the report and it is attached. There were 3 items presented for approval and they are as follows:

* Executive Order 2024-1 was signed by the mayor certifying that an emergency exists resulting in a need to pass Resolution 2024-2 A Resolution Recognizing That An Emergency Exists Which Requires An Expedited Process to Procure Temporary Waste Water Treatment Facilities. A motion to accept was made by Chad Johnson and seconded by Russ Longhurst. This motion carried unanimously.
* The city needs to set up a line of credit for $2,000,000 using local banks or bond pool sources or a combination of both, to purchase a temporary wastewater system that will service Novelis until our plant is built. This line of credit will be paid back with grant funds as they become available later this year. The signers of this line of credit will be the same individuals that are signers on the checking accounts. As of this date those individuals are; James Covington, Marlo Blumel, Connie Wofford and Angela Walters. This is subject to change if there is a change in employment for any of these individuals. A motion to accept was made by Russ Longhurst and seconded by Linda Smith. This motion carried unanimously.
* A committee needs to be formed to approve purchases for the temporary wastewater plant. There may be times that we need to spend money quickly due to the time constraints for getting this system installed and there will be no time for a meeting. These individuals will be able to authorize purchases and draws from the line of credit to make the purchases. A motion was made to appoint Russ Longhurst, Linda Smith and Benn Stahl to this committee by Harry Green and seconded by Chad Johnson. This motion carried unanimously.

**Old Business:**

**New Business:**

**Mayor’s FYI- None**

**Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn at 19:43 hours was made by Russ Longhurst and seconded by

Linda Smith. This motion carried unanimously.

0 hours 43 minutes

Minutes by Alison Blumel, City Clerk James Covington, Mayor