On Monday, August 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. the council meeting for the Town of Gay was called to order by Mayor Walker. At roll call all members were present and it was determined a quorum did exist.

The first item was approval of the Consent Agenda. Council member Askvig motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by council member Watts. The vote in favor was unanimous.

The next item was approval of the Agenda. Council member Keith motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by council member Watts. The vote in favor was unanimous.

The first item on the agenda was the Southern Rivers Energy Round-Up Grant. Council members were previously emailed copies of the information and application for this grant. Mayor Walker discussed the grant and categories available. He asked council to consider all the categories and see what we could use. This grant has no specific time for application but is considered by the Southern Rivers Board at the next meeting after receipt of an application. This will be on the next agenda for discussion if anyone has any ideas for consideration.

The next item was the Amended Water Budget. Clerk explained some errors from the budget were corrected. The line item for Mileage was deleted as that expense is included in Payroll Expense and the Tank Fund expense was corrected to $1200.00 per year. In addition funds were added to Office Expense due necessity of over-night delivery of monthly water samples, and funds added to Water Test since EPD is now doing all our water testing and the fee is higher. Also, funds were added to Maintenance/Mowing with all the rain we have been experiencing. Financial Documents were also presented and there were no questions.

After discussion, council member Askvig motioned to accept the amended budget and Financial Documents, seconded by council member Watts. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Mayor Walker ask for any public comments and Mr. Willis Everett asked if the Town had a “plan” in mind for our recreation area. No one seemed to have any specific plan, just an informal place to walk and perhaps relax, away from traffic.

Mayor Walker stated we had just received the documentation required to set our tax millage rate. The figure for our Mil rate is 2.030 just slightly higher than last year’s rate of 2.027. The submission date for the digest is September 1 so it was decided to have the public hearing on Thursday, August 28 at 6:00 p.m. and then have a called meeting that same day at 6:30 p.m. to set and vote on the rate.

As there was no more business to discuss, council member Askvig motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m., seconded by council member Pritchett. The vote in favor was unanimous.

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Sharon Richmond - Clerk