

# **TOWN OF GLASGOW**

## **Monthly Council Meeting Minutes**

**August 20, 2018**

Mayor Peggy Fisher called the meeting to order at 19:05.

A moment of silence was observed and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call was taken. All members were present and a quorum was present.

The minutes for the previous meeting were reviewed. Donald Fannin made a motion to accept the minutes. John Qualls seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Health and Sanitation** - John Qualls requested an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues.

**Recreation** - Discussion about locking and unlocking the park. There were 27 seniors at Bingo. The pool will be open until Labor Day. Mayor Fisher will give a pool report at a later date.

**Streets and Lights** - Eddie Hamilton reported that some lights are still out. The ditch next to the railroad tracks on Railroad Avenue has standing water.

**Building Permits** - There were a couple of building permits issued.

**Finance** - Larry Simmons reported that \$50,000 was deposited in the General Fund.

**Burning Permits** - No permits reported.

**Housing Board** - No report.

**Safety** - No accidents reported.

**Fire Department** - Chief Marty Blankenship reported 9 medical calls and 11 fire calls (5 structure fires, one in area) for July. For August, there were 5 medical calls and 7 fire calls (one structure fire). Chief Blankenship requested the formation of a committee to discuss funding for a new heating/cooling system for the fire station. The fire department is willing to pay half if the town will pay for the other half. He also reported that the fire department is in talks with Dollar General about the possibility of building at the new fire department site. The fire department participated in a training session with the National Guard.

**Police Department** - Chief Chris Powell announced a \$10,000 grant from the County Commission to purchase new computers and office supplies for the police department. He informed the council and citizens that there will only be two phone numbers used to contact the police department. He addressed coverage issues, stating that the current coverage is 8 -10 hour shifts, 5 days a week. 24 hour coverage is possible, with overtime. Chief Powell discussed the possibility of police officers volunteering time to cut grass for the elderly and disabled in the community.

**Web Page** - Jay Ward requested information from the fire and police departments to update the web page. He also asked and was granted permission to post police report statistics on the web page.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Mayor Fisher announced the delivery of a subpoena from the State Auditor's Office requesting all town financial records for the past 4 years. She asked council members to comply with the request.
- Further discussion about trash costs will be placed on the next meeting agenda.
- Mayor Fisher and Mike Szerokman will consider forms for B & O taxes on rental property.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- The town will sponsor an Oktoberfest celebration with a bonfire. The fire department will assist with setting up for the bonfire. A date still needs to be chosen
- A date was set for the October yard sale. It will be on October 6<sup>th</sup>, with a rain date of October 13<sup>th</sup>.

- Matt Wiseman, from the Rural Community Assistance Program, spoke to the council and citizens. He presented the different ways that he could be of assistance to our town, such as: grant writing, water and sewage, compliance with state mandates, writing SOP's, work descriptions, public notes and complying with administrative orders. (See attached handout for a complete description).

#### **PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Donald Fannin reported that last month's bills had been paid. Stan Garten made a motion for Donald to pay this month's bills. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion.

#### **ORDINANCES**

- Second reading of the amendment to the ordinance that allows council to meet twice per month.
- Discussion regarding updates and changes to ordinances, including: grass, motor vehicles and ATV/UTV's. A committee will be formed to review, update and amend ordinances.

#### **PETITIONS** - None

#### **LEAK ADJUSTMENTS** - None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** - All council members agreed to go into an Executive Session meeting at the time of 20:20. Executive session ended 21:03. No vote required in executive session.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Fisher called for the meeting to be adjourned at 21:06.

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Peggy S. Fisher, Mayor

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James Ward, Recorder