#### TOWN OF GLASGOW

## **COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

# March 18, 2024

Mayor Fannin called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Roll call was taken and a quorum was present. Those present included: Mayor Fannin, Recorder Jay Ward, John Alderson, Mike Szerokman, Eddie Hamilton and Susan Ward. Marty Blankenship arrived late.

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

Minutes for the previous meeting were presented for approval. John Alderson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Health and Sanitation - Nothing to report.

Recreation - Nothing to report.

Streets and Lights - Eddie Hamilton reported that all street lights are currently operational.

**Building** - The sidewalk replacement at Town Hall needs to be scheduled with Giannini Construction.

Finance - Mayor Fannin reported the following balances:

General Fund - \$218,805.48 ARPA - \$63,478.51 Sewer Fund - \$144,885.76 Sewer Reserve Account - \$26,488.00 Police Fee Fund - \$11,447.09 Infrastructure Fee Fund - \$66,753.02 Coal Severance Fund - \$4,202.62 Opioid Settlement Account - \$1,125.22

The council reviewed the bank register.

Burning Permits - No permits issued.

Housing Board - See minutes for the Housing Board meeting.

Fire Department - Chief Blankenship was not present to report.

**Police Department** - Chief Cox is still investigating a burglary at Dollar General. There has still been some trespassing on the property for the new fire station. The purchase of the new police cruiser is in progress.

**Street Department** - Director of Public Works John Qualls reported that various tools and equipment are needed for maintenance of the sewer plant such as hand tools, a push mower, a pump and valves. John Alderson made a motion to purchase the tools and equipment needed for the sewer plant at a maximum cost of \$750. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion carried. John also reported that the beds at the sewer plant are full and the pads are empty. One of the part time employees quit. The council discussed the possibility of offering a full time position to the other part time employee with the understanding that no insurance can be provided. The offer of full time employment will be discussed further at the next budget meeting.

Municipal Court - The next court session will be on March 19th at 6:30 p.m.

Web Page - The web page will continue to be updated periodically.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS** - Mike Szerokman made a motion to pay the bills. Susan Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried.

P CARD STATEMENT - Mayor Fannin will review and pay the statement.

**SEWER ADJUSTMENTS** - Adjustments were made for Kay Myers, Micahel McClure and Kathy Hackworth.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Security Cameras (PK)** - The council reviewed the letter composed by Town Attorney Ray Keener. Jay Ward made a motion to approve and send the letter. John Alderson seconded the motion, Motion carried.

**Lien Update** - Nothing new to report.

**Sidewalk/Town Hall Update** - All information has been submitted to the Kanawha County Commission and Steve Giannini has been notified.

Whiteboard Topics Update - Council reviewed projects that are still pending.

Police Cruiser Update - Money was found in the Central Garage section of the General Fund that can be used to purchase the police cruiser instead of taking out a loan. After discussion, John Alderson made a motion to pay \$41,252 out of the General Fund for the new police cruiser. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Kanawha County Commission will reimburse half of the payment as part of the matching Public Safety Grant that Glasgow was awarded. Equipping the vehicle will cost \$13,000 - \$15,000 which will also come from the General fund.

**Junk Cars** - The council discussed the International Property Code and State Code in regards to junk vehicles on property. The council will discuss possibilities with Town Attorney Ray Keener and also check with the Town of Montgomery about their ordinances related to junk vehicles.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mini Grant #2 (Roadside Park Benches) - The deadline for the completion of this project is April 15th.

**Clean Up Letters (Grass and junk on porches)** - A form letter to residents regarding grass and junk ordinances has been composed to be distributed by Chief Cox and Code Enforcement Officer Amanda Holmes at their discretion.

ORDINANCES - Nothing new to discuss.

PETITIONS - None.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

John Alderson made a motion to convene an Executive Session. Susan Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Executive Session convened at 8:59 p.m. John Alderson made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session. Marty Blankenship seconded the motion. The Executive Session adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

A vote was needed following the Executive Session. Mike Szerokman made a motion to request the release of the grant payment from the Kanawha County Commission for electrical work at the Roadside Park. Marty Blankenship seconded the motion. Motion carried.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Jay Ward made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion carried. The council meeting adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

Mayor Donald Fannin

Recorder Jay Ward