

TOWN OF GLASGOW
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 7, 2024

Recorder Jay Ward called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll call was taken and a quorum was present. Those in attendance included: Recorder Jay Ward, Susan Ward, Mike Szerokman and Eddie Hamilton. Town Attorney Ray Keener was also in attendance. Mayor Fannin, Marty Blankenship and John Alderson were absent.

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

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

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance - Recorder Jay Ward reported the following balances:

General Fund - \$171,835.99
ARPA - \$53,588.51
Coal Severance Fund - \$5734.92
Infrastructure Fund - \$69,849.37
Opioid Settlement Account - \$1,125.60
Police Fee Fund - \$6,088.08
Sewer Fund - \$139,997.88
Sewer Reserve - \$26,238.00

The council reviewed the bank statement.

Fire Department - Chief Blankenship was not present to report. One burning permit was submitted for approval.

Police Department - No one was present to report. Officer McKinney submitted a Police Activity Report for the council's review.

Street Department - Director of Public Works John Qualls reported that the street department is working to get the salt spreader repaired before winter, some sidewalk repairs are being done, the town dump truck is being worked on and the sewer department is getting rid of sludge. He also has been working with Cedar Grove Elementary to eliminate odors from the sewer plant that are affecting the school. New timers for the sewer plant are needed. After discussion, Mike

Szerokman made a motion to purchase timers at a cost of \$3,250. Susan Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried. John Qualls also requested that the wastewater treatment plant purchase a backup chlorinator pump. Mike Szerokan made a motion to purchase a backup chlorinator pump. Jay Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Payment of Bills - Eddie Hamilton made a motion to pay the bills. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Lein Updates - Mike Szerokman reported five garnishments filed for at magistrate court.

Whiteboard Topics Update - Nothing new to report.

Alley Light Repairs - No update at this time.

Sewer Property Easements - Mayor Fannin has sent information to attorney Mark Sadd.

RIC Update - Mike Szerokman reported that the RIC will take the lead on the grant paperwork instead of a state administrator. It will be more time and cost effective. Mike will remain the POC for the RIC grant. Mike will also be the POC for the USDOT grant. Mike also volunteered to check with the Greater Valley Foundation about funding for upgrades to the boat dock and playground.

Storm Drain Update Glasgow Avenue - Eric Hartwell with New River Engineers and Bruce Mullins, Region 3 representative attended the meeting to give an update. Bruce Mullins informed the council that the Army Corp of Engineers has opened a window for applications to fund stormwater projects. The deadline is at the end of February. The first step would be to submit an application to IDJC. IDJC will require a preliminary engineering report at a cost of approximately \$25,000. A request can be made for a 50/50 grant with the IDJC to defer some of the costs for the report. Eric Hartwell prepared a Preliminary Cost Estimate for the Glasgow Avenue Storm Sewer. The estimated total project cost is \$2,800,000.00. (See attached estimate).

Repairs to Route 60 - Nothing new to report.

Street Paving and Repairs - Nothing new to report.

Junk Car Letters - Nothing new to report.

NEW BUSINESS

AEP/Mr. Cummings - Bill Cummings from AEP has expressed his willingness to assist with community projects. Director of Public Works John Qualls will discuss possible projects with him.

Santa/Christmas Parade - Discuss at the next meeting when all members are present.

Prep for Christmas Celebration - Discuss at the next meeting when all members are present.

ARC Grant/EEOC Grant - Discuss at the next meeting when Marty Blankenship is present. He is the POC for these grants.

Prepare for Winter Weather - Director of Public Works John Qualls informed that council that the town has 30 tons of salt stored and ready for the winter. The salt spreader is being repaired.

Response to EPA - In response to directives from the EPA, the Town of Glasgow submitted a Corrective Action Plan for the sewer plant as well as an operator's manual for the plant. The EPA issued a \$25,000 fine to the Town of Glasgow. After discussion, Mike Szerokman made a motion to pay the \$25,000 fine from the Sewer Fund immediately. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES - No updates to report.

PETITIONS

Tiffany Keenan, LSIC representative for Cedar Grove Elementary School attended the meeting to speak with the council about an issue involving the school. The school has recently upgraded the HVAC systems and odors from the sewer plant are being vented into the building. She asked if the sewer plant operator would be willing to work with the school and give suggestions for how to solve the issue. Director of Public Works John Qualls suggested charcoal filters as well as repositioning the intake vents to help alleviate odors from the plant aerator and digester. John will take other actions at the plant to minimize the odors as well.

Eddie Hamilton spoke for Kaleigh Holstion who was unable to attend the meeting. Kaleigh asked the council to consider requiring a building inspection after rental of the Senior Building before returning the deposit. Recently, some people who rented the building left a mess that required hours of extra cleaning.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Susan Ward made a motion to convene an executive session. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion carried. The executive session convened at 8:02 p.m.

Susan Ward made a motion to adjourn the executive session. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion carried. The executive session adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

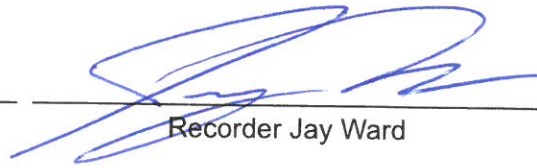
No vote was needed following the executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mike Szerokman made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Susan Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried. The council meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.



Mayor Donald Fannin



Recorder Jay Ward