

TOWN OF GLASGOW

Council Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2018

Mayor Peggy Fisher called the meeting to order at 19:03.

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

Roll call was taken. All members present except for Larry Simmons. A quorum was present.

Minutes for the previous meeting were presented. Stan Garten motioned to accept the minutes. Donald Fannin seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Health and Sanitation - Becky Fowler has been hired as the Sewer Plant Operator. Kenneth Hudnall is Operator in Training.

Recreation - There were 25 present at Bingo. The Haunted House was cancelled.

Streets and Lights - Some have been fixed and some are still out.

Building - No permits to report.

Finance - Larry Simmons not present to give financial report.

Burning Permits - Jay Ward and Marty Blankenship presented the Procedure for Burn Permits (See attachment). No permits were requested.

Housing Board - Mayor Fisher is working with Congressman Alex Mooney to get a grant for a feasibility study of traffic patterns, demographics and possible businesses.

Safety - No accidents to report.

Fire Department - Chief Marty Blankenship reported the following calls for August: Of the 19 calls reported, 7 were medical calls and 12 were structure fires. Up to September 4th, the department responded to 4 medical calls and 5 fire calls. The department is still on call to help with hurricane relief. The department received a grant for a new boat trailer. Dollar General has signed paperwork to move forward in conducting studies of the site.

Police Department - Chief Chris Powell reported that the Glasgow Police Department responded to 230 calls in August. 97 were traffic stops. Of those 97, $\frac{2}{3}$ were issued warnings and $\frac{1}{3}$ were issued citations. There were 15 suspicious activities, one stolen vehicle, two vehicular accidents, one noise complaint, one meth lab complaint, two breaking and entering, two animal complaints and three domestics. The rest were miscellaneous complaints. There were seven foot patrols. Chief Powell reported the termination of one officer. A new officer has been hired.

Mayor Fisher presented Wayne Armstrong's letter of resignation as Municipal Judge for the Town of Glasgow. John Qualls made a motion for Mayor Fisher to take the position. Stan Garten seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Web Page - Chief Powell will e-mail a copy of the police report to be posted on the web page.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Procedures for bill payment - Bills to be paid will be presented to the council for approval at each meeting. Checks will be signed. CFO, Donald Fannin will mail the checks.
- Trash costs - See Donald Fannin's attached proposal for bulk pick-up. After some discussion, Donald will check with nearby communities about their fees and policies for bulk pick-up.
- B & O Taxes on Rental Property - The assessor's office gave Mayor Fisher a list of properties in Glasgow, however, no names were listed. Business License fees will increase from \$15 to \$20. Mayor Fisher created new forms for taxes on rental property and the application for a Municipal License.
- Unused equipment list - John Qualls will bring a list to the next meeting.
- Town Hall security - Mayor Fisher asked for the Council's approval to spend \$100 - \$200 on a new security system with a keypad and camera for Town Hall.

Stan Garten made a motion to approve. Donald Fannin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- John Qualls asked for the Council's approval to rent the gym for a wrestling event at the end of October. The town will be allowed to sell concessions at the event. Eddie Hamilton made a motion for the approval. Stan Garten seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

Donald Fannin reported spending \$91,736.34 for bill payments, which includes an insurance payment that was approximately \$55,000.

Donald Fannin presented checks, the check register and invoices for council approval. Invoices were reviewed by all council members and checks signed.

ORDINANCES

No discussion regarding ordinances at this meeting.

PETITIONS

None

LEAK ADJUSTMENTS

None. Rate increase will go into effect for the next water bills.

CITIZEN CONCERNS

Fire Chief, Marty Blankenship voiced his concerns regarding possible residence hazards, particularly homes without utilities, for the upcoming winter months.

Peggy Fisher, Mayor

James Ward, Recorder

