

TOWN OF GLASGOW
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 5, 2019

Mayor Fannin called the meeting to order at 19:00.

Roll call was taken. All members were present except Marty Blankenship. A quorum was present.

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

Minutes for the previous meeting were presented and reviewed. John Alderson made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Finance/Hydro Truck Sale - The check for the Hydro Truck was posted on July 3, 2019. Mayor Fannin reported a balance of \$145,153.83 in the General Fund after the check was deposited. Mayor Fannin paid \$49,747.41 in past due bills.

Police Department - No report.

Fire Department - No report. Chief Blankenship will give a report at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Assets to be Sold - Tabled until a later date.

Water Tank Repair - The date set for the repair work is July 13th. The road to the tank needs some work so the truck can get to it.

Town Hall Meeting - The Town Hall Meeting is still being planned with a projected date of no later than August 1st. Jay Ward stated that a business plan needs to be presented to the citizens. A Powerpoint presentation showing rate comparisons with surrounding communities would be helpful. The citizens need to be informed about rate increases, ordinances and enforcement of ordinances. Unpaid water bills also need to be addressed at the meeting.

Water Testing - There is a need for a certified person to do water testing for the town. A call to the Rural Water Association for more information was suggested.

Mayor's Leave - The mayor will be taking leave from July 8th - August 7th. Recorder, Jay Ward will perform the duties of the mayor in his absence. Councilman, John Alderson agreed to be available for backup, if needed. Mike Szerokman and Eddie Hamilton also agreed to help if needed.

Water Bill Review - The ongoing issue of unpaid water bills will be addressed at the Town Hall Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Rate Comparison - Recorder, Jay Ward made some inquiries about water, sewage, trash and police protection fees in surrounding communities. Glasgow's rates are well below the rates of the surrounding communities. Specific rate information for each community will be part of the Powerpoint presentation at the Town Hall Meeting.

Police Fee - The possibility of adding a fee for police protection will also be addressed at the Town Hall Meeting. A police force is needed in order to

continue to be an incorporated town. With dwindling funds, a fee would allow the town to provide for police protection.

Appointment of New Council Members - There is one more council position available for an interested citizen. Mike Szerokman made a motion to solicit Letters of Intent from citizens who are interested in joining the Town Council. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Part Time Sewer Plant Operator - After discussion about the need for part time help at the sewer plant, John Alderson made a motion to hire Makayla Elswick to help at the sewer plant when needed. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Mike Szerokman abstained from voting. Motion passed with a majority vote.

Check Signers - Jay Ward made a motion to add John Alderson and Mike Szerokman as check signers for the town's bank account. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Larry Simmons will be removed from the account, since he is no longer on the Town Council.

Reimbursement for Mayor - Due to the town's financial situation, Mayor Fannin paid for supplies needed to keep the town running smoothly out of his own personal funds. (Supplies include items such as stamps to mail water bills and an ink cartridge for the clerk's printer.) The mayor provided receipts for the council to document the personal funds he spent. John Alderson made a motion to reimburse Mayor Fannin for the supplies he purchased. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance Proposal Review - After reviewing the town ordinances, Jay Ward requested modification to the wording of some ordinances, making the council responsible for upholding the ordinances instead of the mayor. Mike Szerokman requested that the fine for grass be lowered to \$125.00, instead of the proposed \$250.00. John Alderson made a motion to make corrections to the ordinances after review. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Ordinance Enforcement - To be discussed at the next meeting.

PETITIONS - None

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Mike Szerokman made a motion to go into Executive Session at 20:51. Jay Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The council entered Executive Session at 20:51. John Alderson made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 21:15. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Executive Session ended at 21:15.

Jay Ward made a motion for Eddie Hamilton and John Alderson to accompany former mayor, Peggy Fisher to the Glasgow Municipal Pool to retrieve her personal property. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

John Alderson made a motion to adjourn. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 21:30.



Mayor, Donald Fannin



Recorder, Jay Ward