

TOWN OF GLASGOW
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 4, 2020

Mayor Fannin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

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

Minutes for the previous meetings were presented for approval. Marty Blankenship made a motion to accept the minutes for the regular meeting on May 18th as presented. Dee Leadmon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Mike Szerokman made a motion to accept the minutes for the special meeting on May 29th as presented. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Finance - Mayor Fannin reported a balance of \$396,759.85 in the General Fund and \$4010.75 in the Utility Fund. The council was presented with a report of bills paid for review. The town attorney needs to be contacted to draft letters for unpaid bills. Dollar General will pay B & O taxes due to the town within the next week.

Police Department - Chief of Police, Jack Ice reported several citations and incidents. The Police Department received new office equipment from the county. There is a need to start enforcing the helmet law for kids 15 and under.

Fire Department - Fire Chief, Marty Blankenship reported that the fire department is applying for a \$6,000 grant to pay for new equipment.

Street Department - Acting Director of Public Works, John Qualls made a request to cut down and dig up all of the old shrubs in front of Town Hall. The shrubs are causing a safety issue because they block a driver's vision of the street and sidewalk when pulling out of the parking lot. The Sewer Plant needs a new outlet marker. The cost of the sign is \$45. A tarp for the dump truck is needed for hauling sludge to the landfill.

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The tarp will cost approximately \$500. A new impeller is needed for the sewer plant at a cost of approximately \$1,000. Also needed are: \$40 for aluminum paint, new pulleys for the flagpole at Town Hall, and \$512 for the sewer repair job behind Advanced Fleet. Marty Blankenship made a motion to provide \$1,700 to fund the requested projects. Dee Leadmon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Also, John Alderson fixed the generator at the Sewer Plant. He noted that the generator does need some maintenance. Council member, Dee Leadmon presented two estimates for termite extermination at Town Hall. Dodson and Dunlap submitted quotes and a third company did not submit a quote. Dunlap also submitted a quote for the repair of the leaking gutters at Town Hall. Dunlap will exterminate and repair the gutters. Marty Blankenship made a motion to hire Dunlap for extermination and repairs. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The company that installed the Brinks security system at the Street Department stated that the town could purchase two additional cameras with no increased monthly charges. Recorder, Jay Ward will check into this.

OLD BUSINESS

Contracting Trash Pickup - The council discussed the pros and cons of contracting trash pickup. Trash pickup is making money for the town, but finding personnel to pick up trash is an issue. Jay Ward made a motion to table the discussion until a later date. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Audit - Recorder, Jay Ward provided the council members with a copy of an email from Andrew Lacasse, who works for the State Auditor's Office (copy attached). According to the discussion with the Auditor's Office, the council will have to discuss and vote upon which years to be forgiven from audit. However, those years will still be examined for fraud by the Auditor's Office. Mayor Fannin asked Recorder, Jay Ward to check with the Auditor's Office about the possibility of using an outside CPA, which would be less expensive, to complete the audits for the years that are not forgiven. Jay Ward made a request for a Finance Committee Meeting to discuss figures for AccuFund. The Finance Committee will meet on June 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Mutual Aid Agreement - Mayor Fannin attempted to contact the mayor of Cedar Grove to discuss a mutual aid agreement between the police departments of Glasgow and Cedar Grove. He is still waiting to hear from the mayor of Cedar Grove.

NEW BUSINESS

Sewer Plant Help - Discussion regarding the hiring of one person to work with both the Street Department and at the Sewer Plant.

Nytis/Diversified B & O - Need to determine if Nytis owes B & O taxes to the town.

Glasgow Public Information Page - Need to ask the town attorney about the legality of approving or not approving access to the page.

Route 60 Building Rent - Sheena Totten will pay rent for the month of April.

Sewer Rate Adjustments - A citizen is requesting an adjustment to their sewer rate due to the filling of their pool. Need to contact the PSC to check on legalities related to this issue.

ORDINANCES

Discussion about enforcing ordinances related to grass and speeding in town.

PETITIONS

Doreen Cox alerted the council to the fact that storm drains need to be cleaned out and that the town signs on Route 60 are faded and need to be repainted. She also inquired as to whether another police officer has been hired yet.

EXECUTIVE SESSION


Marty Blankenship made a motion for an Executive Session. Dee Leadmon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Council entered the Executive Session at 9:15 p.m.

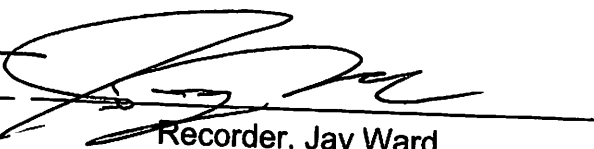
Marty Blankenship made a motion to exit the Executive Session. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Council exited the Executive Session at 9:38 p.m.

Eddie Hamilton made a motion to terminate the employment of Kenneth Hudnall, Director of Public Works for the Street Department. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Marty Blankenship made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.


Mayor, Donald Fannin


Recorder, Jay Ward