TOWN OF GLASGOW

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 17, 2023

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

Roll call was taken. Those present included: Mayor Fannin, Recorder Jay Ward, Eddie Hamilton, Dee Leadmon, Mike Szerokman, Marty Blankenship and John Alderson.

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

Minutes for the previous council meeting were presented for approval. John Alderson made a motion to approve the minutes. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Health and Sanitation - The insurance claim for storm damage at the sewer plant is still being processed.

Recreation - Nothing

Streets and Lights - Street lights continue to be replaced with LED lights throughout town. A new light was installed at Town Hall.

Building - Nothing to report.

Finance - Mayor Fannin reported the following balances:

General Fund - \$252,423.63 American Relief Act Fund - \$189,728.51 Police Fee Fund - \$42,467.48 Infrastructure Fee Fund - \$83,945.13 Coal Severance Fund - \$392.11 Sewer Fund - \$52,102.68

The council reviewed the bank register. The council also reviewed the Infrastructure Fee Fund Report detailing projects funded by the Infrastructure Fee since 2020. A pre-budget meeting needs to be scheduled to start planning for the upcoming Town Budget for the next fiscal year.

Burning Permits - Chief Blankenship reported that one burning permit has been issued since the last council meeting.

Housing Board - Information needs to be collected for submission to Kanawha County. Pictures and reports need to be submitted. Town Engineer Will Thornton will assist, if needed.

Safety - Nothing to report.

Fire Department - Chief Blankenship reported 2 calls, one auto accident and an investigation. The DEP has requested that the property for the new fire department be sown for grass. An employee appraisal for the assistant fire chief will be submitted.

Police Department - Chief Darrick Cox reported that the new manager at Dollar General is prosecuting shoplifters. He also reported one citation for a speeding four-wheeler without insurance or a permit. Mayor Fannin reiterated that speeding in town is a major issue.

Street Department - Director of Public Works, John Qualls reported the following:

- The lights on the back of Town Hall have been replaced.
- The lights on the front of the building still need to be replaced.
- The street department is waiting on the weather to break before painting the new handicap ramp at the senior building.
- The furnace for the new edition of the senior building was turned off temporarily to determine if it is the cause of the rising electric bill.
- The drain repair project on Melrose is almost complete.
- Some work needs to be done at the roadside park to replace timbers around signs.
- Signs at the roadside park need lighting to make them visible at night.

Municipal Court - One citation on the docket and one no-show.

Web Page - Jay Ward asked the council to consider updating the web page at a cost of \$1,000. Marty Blankenship made a motion to update the webpage at a cost of \$1,000. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

PAYMENT OF BILLS - John Alderson made a motion to pay the bills. Dee Leadmon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

P CARD STATEMENT - Mayor Fannin reviewed the P Card statement and will pay \$1,084. The new P Cards have been distributed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Library - No updates.

Housing - See minutes for Housing Board Committee Meeting.

Lien Updates - After discussion, Marty Blankenship made a motion to approve and sign a contract with Atkins and Ogle Law Offices to pursue liens and collections for delinquent accounts. Dee Leadmon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Recorder Jay Ward signed the contract.

Town Security Camera - More cameras are scheduled for installation but more information is needed. Darrick Cox will attempt to contact the security company for more information. If the company does not respond, the Kanawha County Commission will be contacted.

Senior Building Updates - Repairs should be finished in two more weeks.

T Mobile Grant - The grant was submitted. Grants will be awarded in March.

Yearly Appraisals for Employees - Mayor Fannin will submit appraisals for Natalie Smith, Marty Blankenship, John Qualls and Tyler Richards. John Qualls will submit appraisals for the street department and department workers. The appraisals are due in February.

Radar Sign Update - The representative for the company will place the order as soon as possible.

Cemetery - The paperwork is almost finished and will be submitted to the West Virginia Culture Center.

Elections - Candidacy paperwork can be submitted until February 4th. The town has to hire poll workers for the June election. One poll worker has already been hired.

B H Letter - A variance letter has been prepared but has not been submitted to the council yet.

Pool Grant White Page - Larry Rowe has requested a statement of work (white page) that needs to be done to the pool as soon as possible.

NEW BUSINESS

Power Plant Status - The AEP plant is a proposed site for a nuclear power plant. Bill Gates and Senator Joe Manchin toured the plant. The mayor and members of the town council were not contacted prior to the visit and therefore were not present for the tour of the plant.

Boat Dock Money - An invoice needs to be sent to the Kanawha County Commission for the \$15,000 granted for improvement of the boat dock.

Police Officer - The town is still looking for another police officer. Cedar Grove has hired another half-time officer for evenings that Tyler is off. Marty Blankenship made a motion to purchase a time clock for the police department. Jay Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCES

Poll Worker Pay Rate - Jay Ward presented the second reading of the amendment to the ordinance for poll worker pay rate. Dee Leadmon made a motion to approve the amendment to the ordinance as presented. Marty Blankenship seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

PETITIONS

Mr. Breeden thanked the council and street department for repairing the drain and sign on Hickory Road. He voiced concerns about speeding on Melrose Avenue, heading to the nursing home.

ADJOURNMENT

John Alderson made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Dee Leadmon seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The council meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Mayor, Donald Fannin

Recorder Jay Ward