

**TOWN OF GLASGOW**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**MAY 06, 2024**

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

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

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

Minutes for the previous meeting were presented for approval. John Alderson made a motion to approve the minutes. Marty Blankenship seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Finance** - Mayor Fannin reported the following balances:

- General Fund - \$209, 578.60
- ARPA - \$63,478.51
- Sewer Fund - \$124,276.12
- Sewer Reserve - \$26,238.00
- Police Fund - \$8,303.87
- Infrastructure Fund - \$71,526.31
- Coal Severance Fund - \$4,938.75
- Opioid Settlement Account - \$1,125.31

The council reviewed the bank register.

**Fire Department** - Chief Blankenship will give a report at the next meeting.

**Police Department** - Chief Cox reported that the new police cruiser has been striped and is ready for pick up. \$15,000 has been pledged by Senator Takubo and Senator Nelson to equip the new cruiser.

**Street Department** - Director of Public Works John Qualls reported that the sewer on 5th Avenue is flowing. The street department will cut grass and put down weed killer on the sidewalks and streets.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS** - Marty Blankenship made a motion to pay the bills. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Security Cameras** - The Kanawha County Commission is still following up on the issue.

**Lien Update** - Mike Szerokman took 24 more liens to magistrate court to be processed.

**Town Hall Sidewalk Update** - The project is still slated for May. John Alderson will call Giannini Construction for a start date.

**Whiteboard Topics Update** - Tabled until further notice.

**Grass and Junk Letters** - Tabled until further notice.

**Mini Grant #2 Update** - Project completed.

**Proposed Sewer Rates** - Region 3 representative Bruce Mullins attended the meeting to discuss the proposed sewer rate increases. Bruce recommended an increase that would be the equivalent of 2% of the MHI in order to qualify the town to be eligible for the best possible funding scenario for the sewer repair/upgrade project. Marty Blankenship made a motion to approve a rate that would reflect the 2% MHI increase in order to move forward with the sewer project. Mike Szerokman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Police Vehicle Equipment Fund** - See Police Department report.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Risk Waiver for Facility Use** - The waiver form has been approved by the council.

**Ordinance Enforcement for 4X4's and SXS's** - The council discussed the need to continue to enforce the ordinances related to four wheelers and side by sides that are driven through town.

**Discuss International Property Code Fines** - Tabled until further notice.

**Sewer Main Easements** - Tabled until further notice.

**Paving Bids** - Recorder Jay Ward opened two sealed bids for the upcoming paving project to present to the council. Asphalt Contractors submitted a bid for \$25,873 and Paving Solutions presented a bid for \$19,423. After discussion, Marty Blankenship made a motion to research Paving Solutions before coming to a decision about the bid. Susan Ward seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Town Hall Generator Estimate** - After discussion, Marty Blankenship made a motion to approve the repair/upgrade of the Town Hall Generator at a cost of \$4,841.75. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion carried. This repair/upgrade will allow the generator to service the entire building.

**Water Day for Kids** - Tabled until further notice.

**Unclaimed Property** - Mayor Fannin will contact a state representative regarding unclaimed property.

**Update Business License Re: B & O on Rental Properties** - After discussion, Jay Ward made a motion to update the business license form for the Town of Glasgow. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ORDINANCES** - No updates to report.

## **PETITIONS**

The following residents attended the meeting to voice their opinions/concerns:

John Lee - Concerns about parking citations and the election.

John Daniels - Asked for clarification regarding fire trucks and the fire department.

John Holcomb - Concerns about the junk car ordinance and grass ordinance.

Mendy Hamilton - Concerns about how a police situation was handled and concerns about people on private property.

Mike Helvey - Concerns about building permits, junk car letter/ordinance and police interactions with residents.

Dagwood Blankenship - Asked for clarification about an HOA in Glasgow.

Jason Jarvis - Had questions about regulations related to trailers, boats and campers, the responsibility for weeds in the sidewalks and the need for a Town Engineer.

Mark Walker - Concerns about police coverage, the Police Fee and Infrastructure Fee.

Allen Reid - Concerns about the need for sidewalk repairs and a sewer smell.

Missy Cain - Concerns about parking issues and a request for more timely and accessible information for residents who are not on the internet.

Anthony James - Concerns about the junk car letter.

Patty Stonestreet - Concerns about town spending.

Jeff Stegall - Questions about ATV registration and stickers, concerns about needles found in the road and a request for gravel to fill in a sunken area on 2nd Avenue near his house.

Amanda Ray - Concerns about kids driving a golf cart around town.

Amy Pell - Asked about the possibility of programs that could assist residents that need help with utility payments and voiced concerns about some properties in town.

Carlos Hamilton Jr. - Concerns about junk cars.

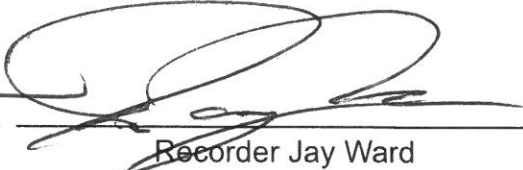

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Marty Blankenship made a motion to convene an Executive Session. John Alderson seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Executive Session convened at 10:25 p.m.

Jay Ward made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session. Susan Ward seconded the motion. Motion passed. The Executive Session adjourned at 11:34 p.m.

## ADJOURNMENT

Marty Blankenship made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Eddie Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 p.m.



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Mayor Donald Fannin                      Recorder Jay Ward