

GLEN DALE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
December 23, 2024

Glen Dale City Council met in regular session on Monday, December 23, 2024, at 6:00pm in the City Council Chambers of the Glen Dale City Building. Those in attendance were Mayor Scott, Recorder Richmond, Councilors Anderson, Cunningham, and Niehaus. Also present were Chief of Police Vogler, City Clerk Rentfrow, City Attorney Potts, City Accountant Abraham, and Street Commissioner Caldwell. Absent were Councilors English, McCoy and Superintendent Beaver.

The minutes of the Monday, November 25th, 2024 City Council meeting were presented to council for review prior to the meeting. Motion by Councilor Cunningham and seconded by Councilor Niehaus to accept the minutes as presented. Vote: Unanimous

General public comment forum – Public Hearing

Mayor Scott gave anyone from the public in attendance the opportunity to speak after rising and stating their name and address for the record. No comments were heard from the public.

Reports from committees - Mayor Scott requested reports from committees

Fire Department – Recorder Richmond stated fire report was provided in the council packet for review. He then reported that Aerial Truck Unit 404 is almost half way done with being refurbished, members of the fire department have went and inspected the work that has been done to this point. Recorder Richmond announced to council that the fire department has placed an order to purchase a new Wheeled Coach ambulance from Atlantic Emergency Solutions

Streets/Alleys - Street Commissioner Caldwell stated his report has been submitted to council, and he had a request from a citizen to place 15 mph signs on Center Ave. He was advised by council to place the signs.

Finance - City Accountant Michael Abraham presented the financial reports of all city accounts giving an overall view of current financial situation. Motion was made by Councilor Cunningham and was seconded by Councilor Niehaus to accept the information, financial report and statements as presented. Vote: Unanimous

Water/Sanitary - Water Superintendent Beaver was absent but Council was advised about a sewer line break on Zane Street and an incidental mishap which occurred while using the backhoe in that area. This information was referred to the city attorney for review.

License and Permits – Councilor Cunningham stated that he has received questions from the Marshall County School Aquatic project contractor's in reference to 10th Street about city and state right of ways. The school is looking at ground breaking for the project in the late summer of 2025.

Traffic Commission – Chief Vogler stated that a written report was submitted in the packets for council to review.

Parks/Recreation – Councilor Anderson stated that thirty City 100th Anniversary Christmas ornaments were sold so far and more is still available at the Cockayne Farmstead.

Motion was made by Councilor Niehaus and was seconded by Councilor Cunningham to accept all the committee reports as presented. Vote: Unanimous

Unfinished business – None

New Business –

Discussion was held about the purchase of a new pickup truck for the street department. Street Commissioner Caldwell recommended purchasing a 2024 Ford Super Duty F-250 from Shults Ford in Wheeling for \$44,463.00 after reviewing several different models from other vendors. Motion was made by Councilor Anderson and was seconded by Councilor Niehaus to accept the recommendation of the street commissioner and purchase the truck for \$44,463.00 from Shults Ford. Roll Call vote was requested, Councilor Anderson - Yes, Councilor Cunningham - Yes, Councilor Niehaus - Yes. Vote: Unanimous

City Clerk Rentfrow gave a written report and advised city council of In-House Budget Revisions that needed approval for several departments of the city. Motion was made by Councilor Cunningham and was seconded by Councilor Niehaus to accept the written report and recommendation of the city clerk and approve the In-House Budget Revision as presented. Roll Call vote was requested, Councilor Anderson - Yes, Councilor Cunningham - Yes, Councilor Niehaus - Yes. Vote: Unanimous

Under Mayor's items –

Mayor Scott told council that emergency repairs were done to the server room for the cost of \$5,500.00 by Johnson Boiler Works. Mayor Scott has two contractors to do a building review and evaluation of the interior and exterior of the Fire Hall Building on 7th Street in the near future.

Under Council items –

Councilor Cunningham had questions from WVU-RMH Staff about parking in front toward WV Route 2 of the Health Net Ambulance house. Council Anderson had questions about the city trailer that the Methodist Church uses for the manger, if there was a problem storing the city trailer by the city.

Executive Session –

Motion was made by Councilor Cunningham and 2nd by Councilor Anderson for an executive session for employment personnel matter at 6:53pm. Vote: Unanimous

Motion was made by Councilor Niehaus and 2nd by Councilor Cunningham to come out of executive session at 7:02pm. Vote: Unanimous

Mayor Scott announced that neither any decision nor any votes were made during the executive session.

New Business – Mayor Scott asked to go back to New Business for one more item on the agenda

Motion was made by Councilor Cunningham and 2nd by Councilor Niehaus to move the seasonal part time employee, Andrew Guthrie, in the street department to full time status and he will be used as a floater type employee to assist different departments, as needed. He will report to the street commissioner as his immediate supervisor. Mayor Scott will be given the discretion as to start date of this status change. Vote: Unanimous

Motion to adjourn made by Councilor Cunningham and seconded by Councilor Niehaus at 7:10pm.

Janet Scott, Mayor

Lewis E. Richmond, City Recorder