

GLEN DALE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
August 12, 2024

Glen Dale City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 12th, 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, English, and McCoy. Also present were Chief of Police Vogler, City Clerk Rentfrow, City Attorney Potts, City Accountant Abraham, Water Superintendent Orlofske and Street Commissioner Caldwell. Absent Councilor Niehaus

The minutes of the Monday, July 22nd, 2024 City Council meeting were presented to council for review prior to the meeting. Motion by Councilor Anderson and seconded by Councilor McCoy to accept the minutes as presented. Vote: Unanimous

General public comment forum – Mayor gave those in attendance the opportunity to address city council up to five minutes after standing and announcing their name and address.

Mrs. Francine Brak Myers 408 5th Street Glen Dale – Came to ask a question on behalf of Mr. Ed Younkins. The question was about is the city having a 100 year celebration this year. Mayor Scott replied that the city has already had a free public swim at the city pool, a car show at the city park, with food trucks and a DJ for entertainment. The City will be involved with the Cockayne Farmstead committee's upcoming celebration events on September 7th and 8th. A part of these events will honor the 100th year centennial of the City of Glen Dale. The Mayor stated other people had more ideas but those same people with those ideas did not want to chair or gather volunteers to run these additional suggested events.

Reports from committees - Mayor Scott requested reports from committees

Fire Department – Recorder Richmond told city council that in each council packet was a copy of a donation check that was presented to the city for \$25,000.00 dollars from the Glen Dale Volunteer Fire Department to assist with the EMS staffing cost for fiscal year 2024-25.

Finance - City Accountant Michael Abraham presented the financial reports of all city accounts giving an overall view of current financial situation. Then Accountant Abraham reported that auditors who were selected were here and have received the documents in order to complete their work off-site and record their findings. Once completed this will be presented to city council. Motion was made by Councilor English and was seconded by Councilor Cunningham to accept the information, financial report and statements as presented. Vote: Unanimous

Water and Sanitary – Superintendent Orlofske told council the main water line replacement project in the 600 block of Washington Ave has been completed by the water department. Then the next Water and Sanitary Boards will meet on August 18th at 6pm and 6:30pm.

Traffic Commission – Chief Vogler advised that Patrolman Wyatt Setterstrom has passed all the entrance requirements and now is attending the 194th Basic Class at the West Virginia State Police Academy.

Parks and Recreation - Councilor Anderson advised at the last parks and recreation board meeting that the pool manager and assistant manager advised the pool had a good smooth season with very little problems. Councilor Anderson did state that December 2nd has been set as the City's Christmas light up night at the park. The next board meeting is set for August 26th. City Clerk Rentfrow reported that the new pool dolphin that was returned to the place of purchase charged the city \$298.78 restocking fee plus shipping return charges.

Historical Society – Mayor Scott advised that Glen Dale Centennial t-shirts will be available at the events being held at the farmstead on September 7th and 8th

Legal – City Attorney Potts advised he received a FOIA information request from Mrs. Kathy Patrello. He has partially responded on August 9th and he is planning to follow up with more information in the near future. Attorney Potts stated the city did have the annual City of Glen Dale Disability Awareness free swim on August 7th from 7pm to 9pm, which was open to the public.

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

Unfinished Business – None

New Business –

General discussion was held about the upcoming Cockayne Farmstead Charitable events in September 2024. Motion was made by Councilor McCoy and was seconded by Councilor English to authorize Mayor Scott to sign a letter of support for the Cockayne Farmstead historical committee events. Vote: Unanimous

Discussion was held about ADA Compliant Picnic table for the city park. Superintendent Orlofske stated there is one at the park shelter already that he helped build. Motion was made by Councilor Anderson and was seconded by Councilor English to table this discussion due to the fact this table already exists. Vote: Unanimous

Motion was made by Councilor McCoy and was seconded by Councilor Anderson to remove two trees near the city pool building which could cause problems for the roof. Street Commissioner Caldwell is to seek out price quotes for this service. Vote: Unanimous

Motion was made by Councilor McCoy and was seconded by Councilor Cunningham to approve the Police Department Policy Manual as recommended by Chief Vogler. Vote: Unanimous

Motion was made by Councilor English and was seconded by Councilor McCoy to approve the purchasing of a car camera from Digital-Ally for the new police cruiser for the amount of \$11,819.00. Vote: Unanimous

Motion was made by Councilor Cunningham and was seconded by Councilor English to approve the purchasing and installation of car equipment from Bearcom for the new police cruiser for the amount of \$14,350.65. Vote: Unanimous

Motion was made by Councilor Anderson and was seconded by Councilor Cunningham English to hiring Rebekah Wolfe as a part time school crossing guard as recommended by Chief Vogler. Vote: Unanimous

General discussion was held about event insurance policy for non-city activities. Motion was made by Councilor English and was seconded by Councilor Cunningham to table this discussion. Vote: Unanimous

Motion was made by Councilor English and was seconded by Councilor Cunningham to authorized Mayor Scott to sign the 2024 Division of Forestry Demonstration Grant Proposal for \$11,380.00 with the matching in-kind services provided by the city. Vote: Unanimous

General discussion was held by city council about the creation of a property maintenance/building/permit/ordinance enforcement employee. Motion was made by Councilor English and was seconded by Councilor McCoy to table this discussion until further information could be gathered. Vote: Unanimous

Under Mayor's items –

Mayor Scott reported that the culvert at 10th and Jefferson Avenue has been fixed and completed by the West Virginia Division of Highways.

Under Council items –

Councilor Anderson discussed about road repairs that is needed on Marx Lane near the dock areas by Highline Warren and where the semi trucks turns to go behind the building.

Executive Session –

Motion was made by Councilor McCoy and 2nd by Councilor Cunningham for an executive session for water/sanitary personnel matter at 7:38pm. Vote: Unanimous

Motion was made by Councilor Anderson and 2nd by Councilor English to come out of executive session at 7:45pm. Vote: Unanimous

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

Motion was made by Councilor McCoy and was seconded by Councilor Cunningham to appoint Timothy Beaver as Interim Water Superintendent as of August 23rd 2024 with the final day and retirement of Superintendent Orlofske. Vote: Unanimous

City Council recognized Water Superintendent Sean Orlofske and thanked him for his nearly 40 years of service and devotion to all the citizens and the City of Glen Dale.

Motion for adjournment was made by Councilman Anderson and seconded by Councilman English. Vote: Unanimous

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Janet Scott, Mayor

Lewis E. Richmond, City Recorder