

**GLEN DALE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**April 27, 2026**

Glen Dale City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 27, 2026, at 6:00pm in the City Council Chambers of the Glen Dale City Building. Those in attendance were Mayor Scott, Recorder Richmond, Councilors Anderson, English, and Niehaus. Also present were City Clerk Rentfrow, Police Chief Vogler, Street Commissioner Caldwell, Superintendent Beaver, City Attorney Potts, City Accountant Abraham and Permit Technician Varner. Absent were Councilors Cunningham, and McCoy.

The minutes of Monday, April 13, 2026, City Council meeting were presented to council for review prior to the meeting. Motion by Councilor English and seconded by Councilor Niehaus to accept the minutes as presented. The vote was unanimous.

The minutes of Tuesday, April 21, 2026, Special City Council meeting were presented to council for review prior to the meeting. Motion by Councilor Niehaus and seconded by Councilor English to accept the minutes as presented. The vote was unanimous.

***General public comment forum –***

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 public comment was made.

***Reports from committees -*** Mayor Scott requested reports from committees.

Streets/Alleys - Street Commissioner Caldwell submitted his report in the council packet for review.

Finance – City Accountant Abraham presented the financial reports and reviewed the City's financial status. Motion by Councilor English, seconded by Councilor Niehaus, to accept the financial reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

City Accountant Abraham then presented the quarterly report of the City's revenues and expenses for the quarter ending March 31, 2026, including year-to-date actuals, the annual budget amount, and the remaining budget for fiscal year 2025–2026.

Motion by Councilor English, seconded by Councilor Anderson, to accept the quarterly financial reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Water/Sanitary – Superintendent Beaver reported that departmental policies are being finalized and will be presented to the respective boards and Council. He also discussed establishing accounts with the State Treasurer's Office for excess funds. Upcoming Water and Sanitary Board meetings are scheduled for May 21, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., respectively. The public is invited to attend.

License and permits – Permit Technician Varner reported on current projects and submitted his report.

Traffic Commission – Police Chief Vogler presented the NIBRS activity report for April 13 through April 22, 2026.

Parks/Recreation – Manager Varner reported meeting with part-time, as-needed pool employees. Currently, staffing includes 13 lifeguards and 16 concession workers. Painting of the pool house is ongoing.

Councilor Anderson reported that four trees and stumps have been removed from the park area. Once the pool is filled, the boiler will be tested to ensure proper operation.

Councilor Anderson also presented a price quote totaling \$12,452.00 for repairs to playground equipment, including installation. This will be submitted to the City Clerk to file an insurance claim for damage caused by a fallen tree.

Legal – City Attorney Potts reported on ongoing legal matters, including discussions with WVDOH regarding the former 7th Street project and contractor issues related to the JMHS pool project. Attorney Potts is also reviewing updates to City Ordinance Section 941 pertaining to water regulations.

Motion by Councilor Anderson, seconded by Councilor Niehaus, to accept all committee reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

***Unfinished Business*** – None

***New Business*** –

Discussion was held regarding a request for a Special Event Beer and Wine waiver for the Foundation Fight Series II event scheduled for May 16 at Reilley's Reception and Events Center. Event coordinator Josh Baker of Wheeling, WV, was present to answer questions.

Motion by Councilor Anderson, seconded by Councilor Niehaus, to approve the waiver for the Foundation Fight Series II event, contingent upon compliance with all discussed requirements, including proper licensing and sanctioning by West Virginia ABCA and appropriate event insurance coverage. The City Attorney will prepare the necessary documentation. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Scott reported that the hiring committee reviewed applications and conducted interviews for a full-time Water and Sewer Department laborer position. The committee recommended hiring Jaden Duffield.

Motion by Councilor Niehaus, seconded by Councilor English, to accept the committee's recommendation and hire Jaden Duffield. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding hiring a seasonal, part-time, as-needed Street Department employee.

Motion by Councilor English, seconded by Councilor Anderson, to hire Jaden Richardson with the stipulation that the employee will not exceed 1,040 hours within the calendar year at a rate set by Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Pool Manager John Varner presented four additional candidates for seasonal, part-time, as-needed summer pool positions.

Motion by Councilor Anderson, seconded by Councilor English, to hire Alessandro Alvendia, Brady Barnhart, Serenity Blenten, and Kolton Skrzyneki, with the stipulation that each employee will not exceed 1,040 hours within the calendar year at a rate set by Council. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Scott requested that Council members submit lists of public streets and alleys for consideration in this year's paving projects. The lists will be used to begin the public advertising and bidding process.

Motion by Councilor English, seconded by Councilor Niehaus, to proceed with the legal process for advertising and bidding on the proposed street and alley projects. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Scott called upon City Attorney Potts to read the proposed amending and repealing of the ordinance by title for its first reading:

***“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GLEN DALE, WEST VIRGINIA, AMENDING AND REPEALING  
ARTICLE 1317 Application of Regulations – Subsection 1317.04 –  
Repealing Political or Ballot- Related Signs During Election Periods.”***

Motion: Councilor Niehaus moved, seconded by Councilor English, to adopt the amendment and repealing to the ordinance as presented for its first reading. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Councilor English, seconded by Councilor Niehaus, to authorize the City Clerk to withdraw \$1,357.66 from the Opioid Settlement Fund to pay for supplies and materials ordered by Chief Vogler for the Glen Dale D.A.R.E. School Program. Motion carried unanimously.

***Under Mayor’s items –***

Mayor Scott reported ongoing discussions with members of the public regarding the placement of veterans’ banners along WV Route 2 and requests for additional banners.

The mayor also addressed concerns about objects being left on St. Jude property where the City performs mowing. These items have caused property damage and injury. St. Jude Church administration and the Glen Dale Baseball/Softball Association have been notified, and the insurance company has been contacted.

The mayor has also reached out to AEP representatives regarding the removal of additional trees from the City park and is awaiting a response.

***Under Council items –***

Councilor English reported that the Tree Grant application has been submitted with assistance from the City Clerk’s office and expressed appreciation for their support.

***Adjournment -***

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Anderson and seconded by Councilor Niehaus. The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m. upon unanimous vote.

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Janet Scott, Mayor

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Lewis E. Richmond, City Recorder