

GLEN DALE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

August 10, 2026

Glen Dale City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 10, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

The Glen Dale City Council met in regular session on Monday, August 10, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Glen Dale Municipal Building.

Present: Mayor Scott; Recorder Richmond; Councilors Anderson, Cunningham, English, and Niehaus; City Clerk Rentfrow; City Attorney Potts; Police Chief Vogler; Interim Street Commissioner Berisford; Water Superintendent Beaver; and Permit Technician Varner.

Absent: Councilor McCoy.

City Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes of July 27, 2026, regular City Council meeting were presented for review.

Motion: Councilor Anderson, seconded by Councilor Niehaus, moved to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

General Public Comment Forum

Mayor Scott opened the Public Comment Forum.

David W. Blazer, 402 Fern Lane, Glen Dale, WV, addressed Council.

Reports from Committees

Streets/Alleys

Interim Street Commissioner Berisford submitted a written report on departmental activities, which was included in the Council packet.

Interim Street Commissioner Berisford discussed obtaining estimates for the roof of the City-owned Kalkreuth Building, which was damaged earlier this year during a storm. He also advised Council of an upcoming training workshop on snow and ice control that he will attend in September.

Mayor Scott requested that the City Clerk follow up with the insurance carrier regarding the roof damage.

Finance

City Clerk Rentfrow presented the financial reports as of August 7, 2026, to City Council for review, questions, and acceptance.

Motion: Councilor Cunningham, seconded by Councilor Niehaus, moved to accept the financial reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Water/Sanitary

Water Superintendent Beaver reported that a water break on Alta Vista was repaired the previous week and that work continues the Baltimore Avenue water line project. He also provided updates regarding the Lindy Lane sanitary line project.

Water Superintendent Beaver announced that the next Water Board and Sanitary Board meetings will be held on Thursday, August 20, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. and 5:45 p.m., respectively. He also discussed the walking trail project.

Council received an update regarding discussions between the Water Board and Cerrone Associates concerning long-term improvements to the City's water system. Options under consideration include construction of a new water treatment plant or purchasing treated water through a connection with the City of Moundsville. These options will be discussed further at an upcoming Water Board meeting.

Licenses and Permits

Permit Technician Varner reported on current projects and submitted a written report.

Traffic Commission

Police Chief Vogler stated that he had spoken with the CEO of Reynolds Memorial Hospital regarding traffic patterns due to the closure of the emergency room ramp.

It was suggested that Ninth Street, from Wheeling Avenue to Jefferson Avenue, become a one-way eastbound road for traffic coming from Wheeling Avenue. The Street Department has placed signs along the roadway, and information regarding the change will be posted on the City's website and other public-access locations. The change will become effective Wednesday, August 12, 2026.

Dr. Haines, Superintendent of Marshall County Schools, has ordered the rear gate providing access to the student parking lot closed and secured due to equipment and construction around the new pool complex.

Letters were sent to three property owners in Glen Dale regarding high-grass violations. Two of the three have come into compliance since receiving the letters.

The Police Chief reported that he has a purchasing agreement for a new police cruiser, which is awaiting the mayor's signature.

Parks and Recreation

Councilor Anderson reported that an inspection of the city pool for water leaks had been completed and that areas of concern had been marked. A leak was discovered in the pit inside the pool house.

The Fire Department has given permission for larger pool items to be stored in the hall from the winter until spring.

August 24, 2026, will be the bid meeting for Phase One. All bids are to be received by September 11, 2026, and will be opened on September 14, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Legal

Attorney Potts reported on a questioned user fee. He also reported that an attorney from Bordas and Bordas had been in discussion with the City Attorney regarding a situation involving the attorney's client.

Attorney Potts reviewed Police Department evidence and advised Council that the information could be turned over to Bordas and Bordas with City Council's permission.

Motion: Councilor Cunningham, seconded by Councilor English, moved to give the City Attorney permission to turn over video evidence and other information he had reviewed to the Bordas and Bordas law firm while protecting the interests of the city.

A roll-call vote was conducted. All members present voted in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Unfinished Business

None.

New Business

Discussion and Approval of Salary Compensation for the Position of Interim Street Commissioner

Motion: Councilor Anderson, seconded by Councilor Cunningham, moved to approve salary compensation for the position of Interim Street Commissioner at the normal salary rate of the Street Commissioner. The pay shall be retroactive to the date the position was approved by Council and accepted by the employee.

Discussion About the Mayor Receiving Water Board Meeting Pay

Motion: Councilor Anderson, seconded by Councilor English, moved to table the discussion regarding the mayor receiving Water Board meeting pay. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion About the Water Superintendent Receiving Water and Sanitary Board Meeting Pay

Motion: Councilor English, seconded by Councilor Anderson, moved to table the discussion regarding the Water Superintendent receiving Water and Sanitary Board meeting pay. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor's Items

Mayor Scott reported that repairs will be made to the city-owned Kalkreuth Building and that several items will be reviewed for proper disposal.

The mayor stated that several "Authorized Personnel Only" signs have been ordered for placement at certain City properties that are not open to public access.

Cerrone Associates will attend a future meeting to discuss plans for the water project. Mr. Price from the Board of Education will also attend a future meeting to provide an update on the John Marshall High School construction project.

The city will be receiving a donation toward pool upgrades. The new electrical panel at the Street Department has also been installed.

Council Items

Councilor Anderson discussed the deterioration of Seventh Street from WV Route 2 west to the railroad crossing on Baltimore Avenue, as well as any interest in the Fire Department Fire Hall building.

Recorder Richmond advised Council of information he received from Councilor McCoy regarding WVU Reynolds Hospital's interest in widening Ninth Street and WV Route 2 on the east side of the roadway. He also discussed a roadway maintenance issue at St. Jude Park.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Councilor Anderson and seconded by Councilor Cunningham. The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m. upon unanimous vote.

Janet Scott, Mayor

Lewis E. Richmond, City Recorder