GLENVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES February 3, 2025 7:00 p.m.

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Call Meeting to Order

a. The meeting was called to order at 7:02p.m. by Mayor Sarver

III. **Council Members Present**

- a. Councilman Fisher
- b. Councilman Walters
- c. Councilman Bone
- d. Councilman Squires

IV. **Council Members Not Present**

a. Councilman Wiant

V. **Public Comments**

a. No Comments

VI. Review of January 7, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the January 7, 2025 Glenville City Council meeting were reviewed. Councilman Walters made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. Motion Passed. The minutes will be placed on file for audit.

VII. Reports

a. Financial

- i. The Fiscal Year budget currently at 59.73% with revenue at 54.39% and expenditures 61.48%. All accounts are in good standings. Councilman Walters made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. Motion Passed
- ii. Councilman Walters made the motion to move the following amounts from Contingency fund into these accounts: \$9000 in City Hall, \$4000 in Mayor, \$9000 in Street Department totaling \$22000. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed**

b. Glenville Utility

i. RFO for upgrades to the water and sewer plants. Region 7 is soliciting proposal for qualified engineering firms. Proposal will be accepted by February 21, 2025. A member of City Council will need to be on this committee.

c. Library

- i. Audits have been completed and we are just waiting for the hard copies.
- ii. The Gilmer County Public Library made a small profit for the year. They will need to spend some money to continue their non-profit status.

d. Police

- i. Chief Estep went over the police report and how many calls were taken for the month of January with the members of City Council.
- ii. At least 6 individuals have applied for the open police position. Chief Estep will call to set-up interviews after the background checks have been completed. They job posting has ben posted on Indeed and LinkedIn

Recorder

i. A business reached out regarding their business license. They have not done business in the area for several years and was wondering if they needed to pay the back fees since they are coming back into the area.

Street Department

i. Mayor Sarver reviewed the street report with the members of City Council.

Zoning Committee

i. The committee met last month. A building owner is wanting to add more substantial awnings on their property but that would require them to put post into the concrete sidewalks.

VIII. **Mayor Comments**

- a. River Project Update
 - i. Coffee shop possible as part of welcome center written as downtown because not sure of funding for welcome center
- b. Storm Drain Update
- c. Dilapidated Building- Asbestos Inspections
 - i. All paperwork submitted
- Glenville Rural Technology Tested
 - i. 1st meeting of GRTT. Company in Raleigh have a company that wants to pilot permitting software. Scheduling a meeting for end of February.
- e. Update on Pioneer Network and federal funding
- f. Mural Update
- g. Glenville Utility RFG
- h. Federal Grant Pause

IX. **Old Business**

- 2nd Reading of the B&O Elimination
 - i. Mayor Sarver read the B&O Elimination Ordinance in regards to the Sales Tax that will be implemented. Councilman Bone made the motion to repeal the B&O Tax. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed**
- Approval for Gilmer County 2025 Christmas Parade on December 13, 2025
 - i. Councilman Walters made the motion to approval the Gilmer County 2025 Christmas Parade use of the city street and park. Councilman Squires. Motion **Passed**
- Update on Mandatory Court Fees: Ordinance 100-01
 - i. Postpone to the work session
- Vacant Housing Registry

i. Councilman Bone make the motion to have Tim Butcher draw up an official ordinance regard vacant housing and its appearance. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. Motion Passed

X. New Business

- a. Parking on Main Street
 - i. Proposals to make the residents who park on Main Street have them park on Court Street or out past the post office.
- b. Burn Ordinance
 - i. Councilman Walters made the motion to have Tim Butcher modify the burn ordinance. This would need to allow for fire pit or burn barrels on a person's property during certain hours. This will also need to include permits for uncontrollable burns. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. Motion Passed
- c. Removing Old Meter Posts
 - i. Councilman Walters made the motion to have all the old parking meters signs and the 2-hour parking signs removed. Then new parking lines can be put in place. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed**
- d. Money in CD
 - Councilman Squires made the motion to invest \$300,000 in a cd for 9 months with no penalty with United Bank. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. Motion Passed
- e. Coffee House Grant
 - i. The is grant is due February 28, 2025. WE need to have a work session on this before we submit the grant.
- f. Work Session on February 10, 2025 or February 24, 2025
 - i. Budgets
 - ii. Projects
 - iii. Vision
 - iv. We will have the work session on February 18 at 6:00pm in the Mayor's Office.
- g. Ordinance Requesting Landlord's to Provide Trash Service Specifications in Lease
 - There is an issue that landlord not providing trash service for their tenants in the leases. There is not city ordinance in place for this. According to state statue 37630 says that in multiple housing units' landlords are responsible for it but if it is a single house there is no ordinance for it. Going to do a little more investigating.
- h. Dump Truck Bid
 - i. Councilman Walters made the motion to get 3 bids for a new 1-ton dump truck that is four-wheel drive this needs to include lighting, snow blade and a salt spreader. Mid-State has one on their lot for \$68,000 state contract. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. **Motion** passed

XI. Next Meeting will be on March 3, 2025

XII. Adjournment

a. The February 3, 2025 City Council meeting was adjourned at 7:50.

Attested:

Mayor

Jodi Walters, Recorder

City Council

Councilman Blair Fisher, Ward 1

Councilman Kevin Wiant, Ward 2

Councilman Brent Walters, Ward 3

Councilman Lloyd Bone, Ward 4

Councilman Eric Squires, Ward 5