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July 7, 2026

The council of the City of Glasco met in regular session Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. Mayor Carl Shrontz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

- Presiding: Mayor Carl Shrontz
- Present: Cheri Jacobson, Dexter Eck, Brenda McDuffee
- Present also: City Clerk Heather Bowles and Public Works Director Kevin Peterson
- Not Present: Dan Darnall

New Council Member Vote:

- Mayor Shrontz requested a vote from the council to have Joe Cool become the fifth council member, filling the empty set
- Motion to fill the empty seat with Joe Cool was motioned by Brenda McDuffee, and seconded by Cheri Jacobson, all others in favor.
- Mayor welcomed Joe Cool to the council
- City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Joe Cool, who was official seated a member of the City Council.
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Approve Prior Months Minutes:

- Approval for June 2026 regular council meeting minutes
- Motion to approve by Cheri Jacobson, seconded by Dexter Eck – all others in favor

Appropriations:

- Review and approval of June 2026 appropriations
- Approval motioned by Brenda McDuffee, seconded by Dexter Eck – all others in favor

Public Comments, petitions, requests, complaints, etc.

- Phoned Request - Karen Gerstenkorn – Requesting to install a memorial bench for Mike Brayton in front of the Fire Station – Asking for Councils approval
  - Council approves the placement of the memorial bench at the Fire Station
- Written Request – Kelli Darnall – Requesting water be repaired at the cemetery
  - Peterson stated there are broken lines all throughout the cemetery and have someone excavate the lines.
  - Joe Cool suggested removing hydrants and adding one new meter next to the meter pit to allow for water usage.
- Nick & Sarah McDuffee – Discuss Bucks & Bands event planned for September 5th – asking councils permission to adjust the common consumption area per map offered.
  - Motion to adjust the common by Dexter, Joe second all in favor
- Written Concern – Stephanie McAlister – Conserved about underage kids driving 4-wheelers & side-by-sides
  - This issue has been taken care of by directly speaking to parents
- Earl & Gunner Hale – Yearly contract review – Year 1
  - Mr. Hale asked how Glasco was doing and what we think of his last years work
    - Council stated there haven't been any noted issues

- Mr. Hale stated if residents should have any questions on what they will/can pick up – put it out and if they can't haul it will stay on the curb. He said he may need to make multiple trips for construction materials – depending on how much is left out.
- Help cleaning up the truck stop, he can offer the owner help
  - Council will revisit in October and November if no further progress
- Hale Refuse has two containers here in Glasco and offers home delivery for a small additional fee
- Offered roll off for Fun Day and move it into location

- Marcia Samples – Offered thanks to Kevin and crew to putting up the hitching post next to the bank

Ordinance Control Report – Terry Lambert: Not present

Public Works Director Report – Kevin Peterson:

- Water tower images taken by Viking provided to council of discovery of several issues including the cover on the riser not being correctly installed.
  - Once contract is complete with Maguire Iron in 2028 and the city will quote Viking on maintenance.
- New bucket for backhoe has been delivered
- Installing new valve corner or Haynes and Main – which requires to shut the water off to the entire city. Once installed the entire city will not have to be shut down again for maintenance.
  - Will shut off again for hydrant after main valve installation
  - Anytime the water pressure gets below 20 pounds we must go into a boil water advisory until water testing is cleared by KDHE.
  - Testing will take place after 24 hours and then once testing is complete advisory will be rescinded.
    - Would like to purchase a new generator for main well that is enclosed on wheels for future emergencies
    - United rental sells them
      - Cheri Jacobson suggested getting one with light on it to help during the power outage.
  - The city is now responsible for mowing the Day Field
  - Sprayed the park for ticks and mosquitos with Cedar Wood Oil to keep the park safe for visitors and pets

Mayor Report – Carl Shrontz:

- City pool will be closed July 6th – 10th and July 12th due to lack of lifeguard coverage.
- Integrated Preparedness & Planning Workshop (IPPW) Location has been established for the July 30th Meeting – Mr. Shrontz will be attending
- Louthan Grant request was submitted on June 22nd for funds to replace the batteries in the radios of the volunteer fire department, rural fire & city hall.
- Real Estate Contract from Jim Johnson's office for the Day Field from USD-273 Beloit is ready to be signed
  - Agreed upon price was $1,000
  - Council approves of signing – Mr. Shrontz and City Clerk Heather Bowles sign contract

Discussions:

- Establish 2026 Christmas Party Committee
  - Heather Bowles, Cheri Jacobson & Joe Cool
    - Big T's Catering is booked the entire month of December
    - Eldon Clark of Minneapolis has December 19th open

        - Christmas party set for December 19th evening
        - First meeting date pending
    - Establish Personnel Handbook Committee
        - Brenda McDuffee, Heather Bowles, Carl Shrontz, Dexter Eck
        - First meeting in August 12th @ 6:30
    - Establish City of Glasco 2027 Community Fireworks Committee
        - Heather Bowles, Rachel Moore, Joe Cool & Dexter Eck
            - Ideas: Hot dog stand at Fun Day for fundraiser
            - Duclos Grant
            - Ms. Little B's Ice Cream Truck
            - First meeting date pending
- John Finney of Finn-Kool has broken off from the family business and has made an offer on the grade school and shop for USD 273. He called Monday, July 6th to make sure the council did not have any issues with him starting a CNC and laser fabrication shop in the buildings. Next school board meeting is July 13th where they will present his offer and vote.
    - Council questions
        - Hours of operation?
        - Will a privacy fence be installed?
        - What will they do with the playground equipment to the city park
        - How will the grade school be utilized?

New Business:

- Glasco's Volunteer Fireman's Compensation Review
    - Current Firemen Pay - $20/meeting and $40/response
    - Jason Rourke as Fire Chief receives $800 for the year and $40/response
        - Council requested the clerk to provide council with pay rates from other cities in August find out what other cities of the 3rd class are paying for responses as well as fire chief - provide to council in August
- Public Works Director New Computer – Kevin is in dire need of a new computer. Quote from LockIt in folder
    - Heather would like to request a grant from Community Foundation for Cloud County with councils' approval.
    - If grant is not awarded – funds will be used from the General Fund
    - Look for something more streamline

Unfinished Business:

- City attorney issues - Council asks does the attorney need to live in county

Council concerns and comments:

- Parking lot at daycare needs to be cleaned. A lot of weeds have grown through the gravel
- Cheri Jacobson is concerned about the house at 108 E. First Street.
    - Council request the owner, Kevin Williamson attend the August council meeting
- 504 E. Second Street – has taxes been paid?
    - Ask county clerk - Who pays taxes on this property

Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn by Brenda McDuffee, Cheri Jacobson second - all in favor

Meeting adjourned at 8:46