



March 4, 2025

The council of the City of Glasco met in regular session Tuesday, March 4, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the city hall.

Mayor Carl Shrontz called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call:

- Present: Councilmembers Dan Darnall, Alice Dietz, Cheri Jacobson, Haley Davidson, Dexter Eck
- Presiding: Mayor Carl Shrontz
- Present also: City Clerk Heather Bowles

Approve Prior Months Minutes:

- Approval for February 2025 regular council meeting minutes
- Motion to approve by Dexter Eck, Dan Darnall 2nd – all approved

Appropriations:

- Review and approval of February appropriations
- Motion to approve by Dexter Eck, 2nd by Cheri Jacobson – all in favor
 - Dexter requested an addition to appropriations spreadsheet to include the previous months spending. Clerk will add this for all appropriations report moving forward.

Public Comments, petitions, requests, complaints, etc.:

- Mitch McMillan and Kolton Hoppe attended on behalf of Kyle Hoppe and the Travel Center Abatement to request a 60-day block of time to liquidate assets via personal removal and auction. Mr. McMillan stated if monies were owed to the city, he is willing to pay said fees; to include legal and abatement fees. Adding they will be moving some items from Glasco City Limits to the Cloud County section of the property on the East side.
 - Dan Darnall told them they only had 60 days Cheri Jacobson confirmed the date of clean up would be before May 31st.
 - Clerk as requested to draw up an agreement for the fees and court costs for Mr. McMillan and showing good faith movement for the 60-day extension.
 - City Ordinance officer, Kirk Barr, would like to add to the agreement weekly photos will be taken of the progress and forwarded to council via email.
 - Cheri Jacobson moves to work with them for 60 days to abate property. Alice Dietz second all council is in agreement.

New Business:

- Library Board new member request for Lisa Pauls as Penny Cool's term is expiring on April 30th
 - Currently the library has seven board member – requiring five for a quorum
 - Other community members were asked if they would like to be on the Library Board, but no interest was shown.
 - Lisa Pauls was selected for her financial background to allow the library to invest monies if possible.



- Central Kansas Library System (CKLS) allows a family member to be on the board with another family members as long as the board member recuses themselves on voting pertaining to the other family member. In this case Lisa Pauls would need to recuse herself in voting for raises for the Librarian, Rachel Moore, who is her daughter.
- The libraries new year starts on May 1st where all board members all will sign a conflict-of-interest form to recuse themselves from decisions that pertain to any family member.
- Alice Dietz was concerned with setting president
- Cheri Jacobson stated even with the concerns the council could approve this member change due to lack of availability of volunteers in the community
- Motion to accept Lisa Pauls as new library board member on May 1st by Cheri Jacobson, Alice Dietz seconded motion - all in favor

Ordinance Control Report – Kirk Barr:

- 110 N. Fisher St. was abated by the city and the fee will be turned over to Cloud County to add to tax fees
- 508 E 2nd – yard abatement completed
- Dog ordinance – Kirk Barr asked what do we do with animals at large as the city is not equipped to catch animals.
- The clerk was requested to review the dog ordinance to confirm the term “vicious/dangerous dog” was updated and that no specific dog breed is listed.
 - Mr. Barr states the sheriff’s department can be called if there is a vicious/dangerous dog at large, but they will not take the dog, only assess the situation and try to find the owner. They can then ask the owner to relinquish the dog.
 - Discussion about stray dogs being dumped in town and they should be taken to Minneapolis Police Station and process
- Cheri Jacobson asked again about the truck parked on Buffalo Street, Mr. Barr states the tags are current and the owner is an over the road truck driver and has not been in town to prove the vehicle is operational. Continued effort will be made to validate whether the vehicle is operational or not.
- Cheri Jacobson has concerns about the recreational vehicle brought onto the property of 108 E. First St. and has more items, such as tires have brought in and needs to be tidied up.

Public Works Director Report – Kevin Peterson:

- Repaired four water main breaks in February – three on 2nd street one on Main
 - 2nd street now has valves installed to easily turn off the water
- Requested to solicit quotes for a contractor bid to replace water mains from Second Street to Birch - the quotes will be collected and presented to council for funding
- Abated yard nuisance at 110 N. Fisher
- Waiting for asphalt to repair holes where water mains were repaired
- April 14-18 – city wide clean up
- New lid on office paper bin at the recycling center is working to keep papers from being removed



- Council requests a sign be added at the recycle center stating “Glasco residents Only”
- Electrical project end of March or early April with Clay Center linemen this will be a 2-day process to replace two utility poles and lines.
- Received a quote for a snow plow for the Dodge Ram pickup - Meyer brand \$13,500 installed
 - Cheri Jacobson found same style for sale for \$8,027 installed includes a quick release
- He has been watching Purple Wave Auction for deals on truck/snow blade combo

Mayor Report – Carl Shrontz:

- Grant Applications submissions - The city has submitted two grant requests to replace the roof on the gazebo in city park – one to CloudCorp and the other a Louthan Grant request. The CloudCorp grant decision will be made mid-March and have not heard on a decision from the Louthan Grant.
 - The City of Glasco is not eligible for any grants from Kansas Commerce for 2025 the ineligibility is due to the sewer grant monies received in 2024.
 - A new Wind Farm grant has also been submitted for the new fire truck skid and fire box apparatus
- February Utility Statements - All February utility statements were sent out in envelopes which included a request for residents and businesses updated contact information. The clerk is asking everyone to take a moment of their time to complete the update form and return to City Hall, either in the drop box or mail in with utility payment. This will help the clerk update records in our system and have accurate information if there is an emergency situation where a resident needs to be contacted. Heather would like to thank everyone in advance for their assistance.
- Raffle tickets for Volunteer Fire Department ½ Hog to help with purchase of new fire truck - Raffle tickets are on sale to help our volunteer fire department purchase a new fire truck. Winners will be contacted by phone and receive a ½ hog ready for the freezer. Drawing will be held April 14th. Raffle tickets can be purchased at City Hall, Hodge Podge and the G.O.A.T. – 1 ticket is \$5 or for \$20 for 5 tickets. If anyone has any questions they can contact Brandon Darnall, Dan Darnall, Lucas Nease or Jason Rourke. We would like to thank everyone for their support and the Glasco Locker for helping with processing fees.

Unfinished Business:

- New sanitation service contract review
 - Clerk offered a draft copy of the new sanitation contract with Hale Refuse
 - Council approved contract draft for a one-year term with auto renewal for a year after review of services rendered by council.
- Set date for City wide cleanup for 2025 – Date set for April 14th – 18th
 - Motioned by Dan Darnall, Haley Davidson 2nd – all approved
- Pavillion is in need of new mulch for 2025 - Last year it took 100 bags – Council approves to purchase 50 bags



- Shared Treasures Boutique transfer of ownership which is ran by the Glasco Community Recreation Program and due to the GCRP being considered a
 - Humanitarian Service Provider under KSA 79-201 Ninth – Condray is unable to prepare a deed for transfer of ownership. Ownership must be made to an individual or a business registered with the State of Kansas.
 - Proposal offered by GCRP is to rent the building from the city for the amount of liability insurance and taxes
 - Clerk has been asked to contact Cloud County to 112 E. Main as a commercial building.
 - Motion to rent the facility for amount of taxes and insurance motioned by Alice Dietz with Dan Darnall seconding - all in agreeance.
- Mowing Contract bid – council was provided with responsibilities of contractor and map of areas to be mowed.
 - Council requests a bid announcement be placed in the Waconda Trader, Advertiser and radio 105.5 – cutoff date of April 4th – sealed bids will be opened during the April 8th council meeting.
- Purchase of new Truck to replace the Ford – Council has decided the city will not replace this truck
- Fire Truck purchase update – no update on progress of order at this time
- Sewer minimum monthly fee ordinance review
 - Ordinance 705-2025 pertaining to sanitary sewer systems services provided by the City of Glasco to all structures used or intended for human occupancy other than human use will be charged the minimum sewer fee. Set minimum monthly fees and charges for access to wastewater/sewer services and will not be stayed or waived when water service is disconnected, either at the request of the owner(s) of record or on the City's own volition.
 - Dan Darnall motioned to accept new ordinance, 2nd by Alice Dietz – all councilmembers in favor
 - Clerk will publish the ordinance in the official newspaper for publication. Once published a notification to all properties will be mailed to inform of the decision.
- Snow Removal Policy update
 - Work session scheduled for March 20th @ 6pm
- Update on digitalizing the ordinances from Cheri Jacobson
 - Ranson Financial offers codification of ordinance services with a \$3500 to set up and review all ordinance for legality and a \$1,000 annual fee to keep ordinances up-to-date.
 - Cheri is still working on grant opportunities to cover the cost

Adjourn:

- Haley Davidson motioned to adjourn regular session and move to executive session, seconded by Alice Dietz all approved to move to a 10-minute executive session to discuss personnel pay

Executive Session:

- Discussion of personnel pay

Executive Adjourn:

- Dan Darnall motioned to adjourn, Dexter Eck second the motion all approved.