

July 10, 2023, 7:00 P.M.

Denny Richardson opened the Glenwood Town Council meeting and led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. An attendance sheet was made available for non-officers and citizens present. Present besides Denny were Jo Temple, Council Vice President, David Miller, Council Member, Mary Richardson, Clerk-Treasurer, Paul Sembach, Utilities Supervisor-Operator, Marvin Hedrick, Code Enforcement Officer, and Geoffrey Wesling, Town Attorney.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to approve the June 12, 2023 council meeting minutes with corrections. Approval was unanimous.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to approve the Allowance of Payroll Accounts Payable Voucher and the Register of Accounts Payable Vouchers as revised. Approval was unanimous.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to authorize Mary Richardson to approve a resolution to transfer appropriations. Approval was unanimous.

General Fund	\$6,708.81	Water Utility Bond & Interest Fund	\$1,880.00
Motor Vehicle Highway	\$186.43	Sewage Utility Operating Fund	\$4,967.69
Park Fund	\$125.95	Payroll Fund	\$7,194.02
Water Utility Operating Fund	\$9,973.04	Total	\$31,035.94

#### Public Comments

There was a citizen complaint regarding an old vehicle and weeds at property on west SR 44. Marvin Hedrick will follow up on the complaint.

A utility customer requested an adjustment for a recent water/sewer bill based on a leak in the property owner's outside pipes. Mary stated this request should have been resolved outside a Council meeting with an affidavit provided to her and the policy requirements met. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to approve a water and sewer adjustment including the penalty waived if the affidavit is provided to the Clerk-Treasurer. Approval was unanimous.

#### Unfinished Business

Denny and Mary discussed the meeting with Dr. Terry Goodin, USDA State Director. Dr. Goodin was very encouraging regarding the proposed water project and stated USDA would like to help to strengthen Glenwood in other ways such as housing and jobs. Using TIFF for supporting revenue was also discussed by Dr. Goodin.

Rachel Runge, PE and Thomas Barclay, B.D. Manager, Commonwealth Engineers, discussed Glenwood's State Revolving Fund (SRF) application that ranked 15 of 60 as priority. Glenwood's income survey conducted by Kleinpeter Consulting Group qualifies Glenwood for the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) program.

Mary reminded the Council that she needs an electronic copy of the SRF and USDA applications for the town's records.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to approve the contract with Kleinpeter Financial Group, LLC to provide financial and municipal advisory services for the issuance of municipal securities for the infrastructure projects. Approval was unanimous.

Mary stated she has filed the quarterly report with the Indiana Department of Transportation for the sidewalk grant. The construction will begin on August 20, 2023 and end on October 31, 2023. Denny will work with OLCO for needs like parking.

Regarding the mural grant, Mary stated that she has submitted the contact to the Indiana Arts Commission along with all the required documents. Mary has sent a request to determine if we can start purchasing supplies for the project.

Marvin Hedrick provided an update regarding police patrol. The Rush County Sheriff is interested in some of Glenwood's police equipment and has quoted \$10,000 annually to provide patrol in Glenwood. Marvin and Denny plan to visit with Fayette County. There is also a retired police officer that may be interested in working part-time in Glenwood. Marvin will pursue the matter further.

Denny has not heard back from the County Surveyor regarding the cemetery culvert.

The Council discussed the sample survey for the lead service line inventory. Mary offered to reword the survey and send them to the appropriate property owners.

### New Business

Jack Rummel stated that he has been using his personal boat for work at the lagoon but he no longer has personal needs for the boat. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to purchase the boat for \$200.00. Approval was unanimous.

Marvin Hedrick discussed a current unsafe building.

Mary had provided two unsafe building template letters. One follows the requirements of the ordinance. The other is one that encourages resolution but just indicates the next steps if the situation is not resolved. Geoff Wesling reviewed both letters.

Mary provided the Council with documentation to consider for potential salary changes. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to increase the elected officers' salaries by 3% beginning January 1, 2024 and the hourly employees' salaries by \$1.00 retroactive to July 1, 2023. Approval was unanimous.

Mary stated she has a 2024 budget workshop with the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance on July 17. The public hearing may be scheduled for the August meeting with the approval meeting at the September meeting. Mary will send a copy of the budget draft to the Council for them to let her know of anything they would like to have considered for next year's budget.

A request was made by the Park Board to repair the downspouts. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to purchase the downspouts and elbows. Approval was unanimous.

### Reports

David discussed a complaint he received regarding junk being placed on the property of another owner. Geoff Wesling stated this is not a Town or Board of Zoning issue but rather a civil issue.

Also, the Council discussed a situation where a town citizen told a person that the Town has an ordinance where he cannot move around town in an electric wheelchair. This is not true.

Geoff gave a recap of the July 5 Rush County Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) meeting. They denied a variance request from Hoosier Solar's application.

Geoff and Mary discussed the 2.Rush Co Area Plan Commission (APC) meeting on July 5. The Board is making a request to the Commissioners to place a moratorium on solar farm applications until after the comprehensive plan is completed. In the meantime, the APC Board will work on changes to the solar section of the zoning ordinance.

Mary had provided Geoff with a new state law regarding live streaming meetings. Geoff explained that the law is not effective for a couple of years and may be modified before then.

Mary said that Jack and her need to renew their ERC training in August. This designation is required for anyone working with INDOT. Jack has expressed that he is willing to do the training but does not want to be responsible for reporting. Mary asked he one of the Council members would want to take the training. Council members said they will let her know if they are willing to take the training.

Mary reported that the State Board of Account's audit will start in August but she is already getting documentation requests.

Marvin discussed the repairs required when the town vehicle broke down and was towed.

Paul Sembach provided his written and oral report.

Other Business

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to adjourn the meeting. Approval was unanimous.

Mary M. Richardson, Clerk-Treasurer