

Denny Richardson, Council President, opened the first advertised Glenwood public hearing to review the 2025 Glenwood budget. Denny led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Present for roll call besides Denny were Jo Temple, Council Vice President, David Miller, Council Member, Mary Richardson, Clerk-Treasurer, Paul Sembach, Utilities Supervisor-Operator, Rick Coleman, Code Enforcement Officer, and Geoffrey Wesling, Town Attorney. An attendance sheet was made available for non-officers and citizens present.

Mary Richardson had posted the Notice to Taxpayers in Gateway and also on the Town Council meeting agenda. Mary also provided the Council with the detailed 2025 Glenwood budget documentation. The budget presented did not include the water and wastewater funds.

There were no budget questions from the Council or audience.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to close the public hearing. Approval was unanimous.

Denny Richardson opened the second advertised Glenwood public hearing to discuss the proposed Ordinance No. 2024-6, Authorizing Garage Sales. This is a revision from Ordinance No. 2007-1. The changes were primarily clarification. The number of allowed garage sales increased from three to four per year. The daily violation fee stayed the same at \$75.00 but the total violation limit increased from \$1,000.00 to \$2,500.00.

There were no question from the Council or audience regarding the proposed ordinance.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to close the public hearing. Approval was unanimous.

After the public hearings, Denny Richardson, Council President, opened the monthly Town Council meeting.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to approve the July 8, 2024 council meeting minutes. 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. Approval was unanimous. Mary commented that she added the \$35.00 remote deposit fee as a Payable Voucher.

General Fund	\$11,458.50	Sewage Utility Operating Fund	\$3,838.56
Motor Vehicle Highway Fund	\$228.51	Payroll Fund	\$4,680.53
Park Fund	\$361.50		
Water Utility Operating Fund	\$6,838.82	Total	\$27,406.42

HWC Engineering presented the proposed Glenwood Comprehensive Plan. Besides listing the presentation on the agenda, Mary posted a separate notice at Town Hall and the Post Office. This plan will be incorporated into the Rush County Comprehensive Plan. Both the Fayette County and Rush County properties within the Glenwood town limits are included in the Glenwood Comprehensive Plan and the Rush County Zoning Ordinance.

The Glenwood Town Council will consider approving the Glenwood Comprehensive Plan at the Tuesday, November 12, 2024 Town Council meeting.

Unfinished Business

Mary had provided the Council with confirmation from HWC Engineering that Glenwood's follow up application for the East Central Indiana grant was received. The grant request is for the Glenwood/Connersville Regional Water Project. Glenwood is in the same district as Fayette County.

Mary asked if anyone was attending the Southern Indiana Wastewater Operators Association Region meeting on October 16, 2024. This satisfies the required IFA attendance. Denny Richardson will attend this meeting.

Thomas Barclay provided an update of the status for the water utility improvement project. A meeting was held on this day between Commonwealth Engineers, Kleinpeter Consulting, State Revolving Loan Funds (SRF), and United States Department of Rural Development (USDA). Craig McGowan, USDA Community Programs Director, expressed support for the water project but questioned the proposed cost and requested Commonwealth Engineers to get the cost down. It was agreed that Commonwealth Engineers will review the proposed cost of the project and eliminate items that are not needed now and/or can be postponed. Bill Harkins, SRF Program Director, agreed with decreasing the cost and will remove the project from the current year projects. SRF will score and consider the revised project next year.

There was discussion that the potential of a SRF and USDA partnership would be beneficial. An OCRA grant is also a possibility. Connersville is still interested in the water project but it is not feasible for them to contribute to the cost.

Paul Sembach stated he has not yet repaired well #2.

Denny Richardson reported he is working on the bus stop signs and police patrol. The alley repairs is pending the contractor's schedule.

Mary reported that she attended a meeting at the Rush County Foundation on July 19, 2024 regarding the \$5 million grant application submitted to the Lilly Endowment for GIFT VIII. Rush County was named as a finalist. A final proposal needs to be submitted by September 6, 2024. The grant includes blight elimination. Glenwood is included in the project. Mary shared a list prepared by HWC Engineering of Glenwood properties that might need investigated.

Mary reported that at the Foundation meeting, she discussed unsafe buildings with the Rushville Mayor and Rushville Planning Director. The Planning Director is not a certified inspector but is willing to assist Glenwood with assessing potential blighted property. She has assisted Carthage.

The Council tabled discussion of the Rush County sponsored dumpster day on September 28, 2024.

Denny provided business cards sample backgrounds. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to authorize Denny Richardson to purchase business cards for the town officers at a cost of \$28 per 100. Approval was unanimous.

Denny updated the Council on the condition of the Dodge that will be sold at auction. Some repairs have been made but the vehicle may need additional work. The Council agreed it would be best to get the decals removed and then sell the vehicle as is. The Mercury has not yet been driven. It was agreed to postpone selling the vehicles at auction until after the September meeting.

Denny reported that plastic covers for the community center lights have been ordered at \$20 per light. The existing lights will be finished before deciding if additional lights are needed. The ceiling will not be repaired until the lighting is resolved.

A motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by Denny Richardson to approve Miller Heating & Cooling to replace the lights at town hall with LED for a cost of \$2,065.00. Approval was by the majority. David Miller abstained from voting.

The Duke Energy Rider 42 program to replace more street lights with LED was discussed. Mary reported the project was scheduled but others stated it was not done. Mary will follow up with Duke Energy.

Based on the fact that the entire proposed Ordinance was made available prior to the Town Council meeting, a motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to suspend the rules to read the proposed Ordinance out loud, waive the first reading, and act upon Ordinance 2024-6 Glenwood Garage Sales. Approval was unanimous.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to approve Ordinance 2024-6 Glenwood Garage Sales. Approval was unanimous. Mary will post the ordinance on the website along with the permit.

Mary recommended appropriations to reduce for 2024 in order to cover needed 2025 appropriations. Also, she recommended funds from the Cumulative Capital Improvement Fund be transferred to the General Fund. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to approve Resolution 2024-7 to Reduce 2024 Appropriations and Transfer Funds. Approval was unanimous.

New Business

It was reported that the annual service payment to the Glenwood Volunteer Fire Department was included in the invoices approved. Mary confirmed the \$1 rental payment from GVFD was received.

The Council discussed needing another member for the Park Board.

Glenwood received a notice from INDOT requesting a written response regarding a small structure replacement on SR 44 in Fayette County. Paul Sembach had stated that Glenwood has no sewer or water in the stated area and that he had advised INDOT. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to select Paul Sembach as Glenwood's designated contact for this project. Approval was unanimous. The Council requested Paul to submit a formal letter to INDOT stating that he is the selected contact and to the best of his abilities that Glenwood does not have facilities within the geographical limits of the improvement project. Attach the work plan. A copy of the letter should be provided to the Clerk-Treasurer for the retention file. Paul agreed to taking care of this request.

Reports

Mary reported she attended the Eastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (EIRPC) meeting on July 25, 2024 in Liberty. The Madison County Council of Governments provided results from traffic counts.

Mary provided an update from the Rush County Area Plan Commission (APC) meeting on August 7, 2024. They have requested the Commissioners extend the industrial solar ban expiring in January 2025 for another year. This will give time for appropriate zoning ordinance changes to be developed and approved based on the final Rush County Comprehensive Plan that should be approved in November 2024. In the meantime, Mary is a member of a committee to start working on possible changes and adding necessary controls. This will give a head-start to the project.

David commented that INDOT had scheduled work on SR 44 through Glenwood for June or July of 2024 but nothing has happened.

Denny discussed installing the new solar speed signs at the east and west entrances and switching the old ones to north and south. A motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by Denny Richardson to contract with Cain Signs to transfer the existing speed signs to north and west and install the new ones east and west of Glenwood. Approval was unanimous. Denny will work with Cain to ensure the signs receive sufficient sun.

Mary asked if any Council Members wanted her to make their reservations for the Commonwealth Golf Outing in Franklin on September 5 and/or the Client dinner on October 8 from 6-9 in Fort Wayne. To get a room, a one-day conference registration is needed. That covers breakfast, lunch and sessions. Mary plans to attend the entire AIM conference.

Mary reported that she has registered for Keystone's training on August 26 and 27, 2024 in Fishers.

Mary commented that she had forwarded information to the Council regarding rubber mulch if interested for the playground.

Mary reported that she filed the annual report for Opioid Settlement funds received.

It was reported that Mary has completed INDOT's training to renew her ERC certification. David has been registered for INDOT's ERC training as a new user.

Mary stated since the current Financial Clerk does not want to do additional duties and there has not been any interest from someone in town, she plans to hire Linda Ashwill as a Financial Clerk to help with various duties to include posting, reviewing reconcilements, uploading documents. Linda will also be able to help sort through the documents that can be sent for shredding.

Geoff Wesling discussed the required live streaming of meetings and suggested the Council streamline the meetings.

Mary commented that she has not received documentation to invoice property owners for mowing. She wanted to confirm that the town did not mow any properties this season. Denny said they sent one property owner a letter and they only partially remedied the situation. Mary said it was too late to mow based on the date that letter was sent. She suggested they send another letter and start the process over with logging the information and following up on the 11th day or a couple of days later after the letter's date. She said the instructions are on the town hall's computer.

Les Day provided a report for the water tests for the past three months. It was agreed that he would present a report periodically and possibly quarterly.

Paul Sembach provided his written and oral report. Paul plans to attend training in Fort Wayne in October.

Other Business

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

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