

GLENVILLE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

September 2, 2025

7:00 p.m.

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Call Meeting to Order

- a. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Sarver

III. Council Members Present

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

IV. Council Members Not Present

V. Public Comments

a. Zach Dobbins: Accountant working on the Glenville Water and Sewer increases.

- i. Spoke on the fees and the cost of the improvements on the Water and Sewer projects and why the increase is needed. There has not been an increase in over 20 years. There is a 65% rate increase with the minimum of 3000 gallons \$25.80 to new bill. Water side 39.8% increase taking the minimum bill of \$17.67 to 24.69 based on 3000 gallons.

b. Todd Johnson: Attorney

- i. Everyone is getting the same increase rates which will go into effect October 17, 2025 if Council Approves. We would not see the results until probably after the first of the year.

c. Lisa Smarr

- i. Concerns regarding the amount of the increase and how much it is at one time. It will affect everyone that cannot afford an 18.00 increase. Not published well. Where was the notification in the mail for past meeting regarding these issues since notices went out for the current meeting.
 - a. Todd spoke on the publication and the notification of the meetings.
- ii. Is there anything anyone in the community can say that will change the minds of how the council member will vote regarding these changes?
- iii. Municipal Fees and the new 1% sales tax: where are we on this?
 - a. The sales tax will be for three months we will not know how this is working until Mid-October.
- iv. Thank you for keeping Trick or Treating on Halloween which is set for Friday, October 31, 2025.

d. Sherry Luzador

- i. Would have been nice to know about meeting in advances and about the increases. Feels as though City Council has ambushed the community with the increased in fees and more notice should have been given.

e. Kenneth Smarr

- i. Mr. Smarr has 6 people who live in his household and they use a lot of water. This is not right and this is back handed to get more money in the pockets of others. Businesses are behind on bills and we as the citizens are being punished. Looks like we are paying the businesses bills.
- f. **Susan Bone**
 - i. Agreed that this will be difficult for many of our residents. Churches assist with people in the community for utilities, rent, food, etc. People that she works with are going to have trouble helping other pay their bills. Can we think of some ways that we help those in the community to help pay their bills? The community is very giving so there has to be a way that we can help those that are in need.
- g. **John Putnam**
 - i. Speaking about the drain line project. Improve water drainage around the church 216 Howard Street and a rental that is own by Greg Smith there is an old drain line that is concrete that has huge holes in it. Request that the extra funds be used to replace the line.

VI. Review of August 4, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

- a. The minutes from the August 4, 2025 Glenville City Council meeting were reviewed. Councilman Fisher made the motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Walters 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 17.53% with revenue at 11.64% and expenditures 24.46%. All accounts are in good standings. Councilman Squires made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Councilman Walters 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed**

b. Glenville Utility

- i. No update

c. Library

- i. Summer Reading Program (SRP) Registrations = 90
- ii. Total SRP events held in June and July = 19
- iii. Total SRP program attendance = 370
- iv. Harry Potter's Birthday attendance = 37
- v. Total prizes awarded for cashing in SRP reading logs = 182

d. Police

- i. No report at this time

e. Recorder

- i. Will discuss certain items in Executive Session

f. Street Department

- i. Mayor Sarver went over the Street Department report with the members of City Council.

g. Zoning Committee

- i. No report at this time.

VIII. Mayor Comments

- a. WVML Conference
- b. Community Clean-up Day
 - i. Will be held on October 11, 2025 from 9:00am-4:00pm

- c. Paving Update
 - i. A paving company was in town however, they were not very favorable and the Department of Highways also had issues with the same company. We do have another source to look at for a bid
- d. Other Updates
 - i. ARC Planning
 - ii. EQT Community Garden Grant

IX. Old Business

- a. 2nd Reading of the Water and Sewer Ordinance
 - i. 2nd Reading of the Water Ordinance
 - a. Councilman Walters made the motion to accept the 2nd reading of the Water Ordinance. Councilman Squires 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed.**
 - ii. 2nd reading of the Sewer Ordinance
 - a. Councilman Walters made the motion to accept the Sewer Ordinance. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed.**
- b. Storm Drain Project Selection
 - i. There is an expectation of having about \$159,000 remaining from the project. We can do the following with the left-over funds:
 - a. Walnut Street – 60 LF of 18” Storm pipe and 1 DI - **\$43,000**
 - b. Howard Street – 150 LF of 18” Storm pipe and 2 DI – **\$52,000**
 - c. Mama’s Restaurant/Parking Lot Storm Line & 2 DI - **\$90,000**
 - d. Sidewalks - **\$19,000**
 - e. Line at Molloyhan to Goodwin- 450 LF of 18”- **\$149,000**
 - f. Councilman Walters made the motion to do the following with remaining funds from the Storm Drain Project: Walnut Street, Howard Street, Mama’s Restaurant/Parking Lot and using an additional \$26,000.00 from the Street fund account for the overage and still investigate the Molloyhan/Goodwin issues. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed.**
- c. City Net Update
 - i. City Net has worked a deal with Mon power concerning the service at City Hall. City Hall can have service for \$210.00 a month. Councilman Squires made the motion to approve the contract with City Net for \$210.00 a month. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed.**
- d. Summer Reading Program Update
 - i. Report was given under the Library Report

X. New Business

- a. Library Committee Appointment
 - i. The Gilmer County Library Board is requesting to have June Nonnenberg serve on the Library Board. Councilman Squires made the motion to accept the recommendation of June Nonnenberg to serve on The Gilmer County Library Board. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed with Councilman Walters abstaining.**
- b. Library: In kind form
 - i. Councilman Squires made the motion for City Council to do an In-Kind donation in the amount of \$4375.00. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed with Councilman Walters abstaining.**

- c. High School Homecoming Parade September 26, 2025
 - i. Councilman Walters made the motion to approve the usages of the Main Street for the Gilmer County High School Parade on September 26, 2025. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed**
- d. Opioid Settlement New Lawsuit
 - i. Received information regarding a lawsuit with Purdue Pharma settle no cost to opt in. Councilman Squires made the motion for City Council to opt in to the Opioid Settlement Law Suit. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed**
- e. Pay Increase for Gilmer Management for Accounting
 - i. Councilman Walters made the motion to increase the payment fee for Gilmer Management for Accounting to \$1800.00 a month. She has increased her work load for the city. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed.**
- f. Executive Session
 - a. Councilman Bone made the motion to enter Executive Session at 7:47 pm. Councilman Fisher 2nd the motion. City Council entered executive session at 7:47pm. **Motion Passed.**
 - b. Councilman Walters made the motion to exit Executive Session at 8:10 pm. Councilman Bone 2nd the motion. City Council exited executive session at 8:10pm and returned to their regular meeting. **Motion Passed.**
 - ii. Councilman Wiant made the motion for the Chief of Police have the city police cruiser returned to the office by Patrolman Lipps for the duration his paternity leave effectively immediately. Councilman Squires 2nd the motion. **Motion Passed.**

XI. Next Meeting will be on October 6, 2025

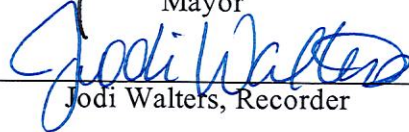
XII. Adjournment

- a. The September 2, 2025 City Council meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Attested:



Mayor

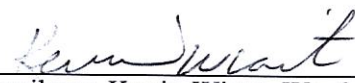


Jodi Walters, Recorder


City Council



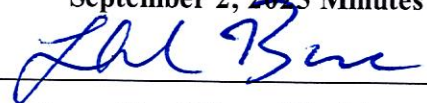
Councilman Blair Fisher, Ward 1



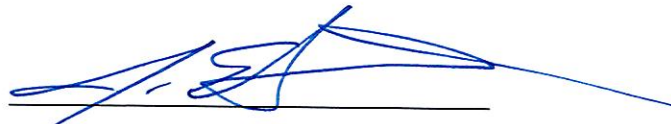
Councilman Kevin Wiant, Ward 2



Councilman Brent Walters, Ward 3



Councilman Lloyd Bone, Ward 4



Councilman Eric Squires, Ward 5