

TOWN OF GLEN ST. MARY

MINUTES

May 16, 2023

The Town of Glen St. Mary Council met in a regular meeting with the following members present:

Mayor Juanice Padgett
Councilwoman Lola Chandler
Councilwoman Diana Reneau
Councilman Terry Clardy

Also present:
Town Attorney, Jon Bense
Assistant to the Mayor, Todd Norman
Town Clerk, Christy Linster

Absent from the meeting was Councilman Andrew Vetter

Note: These meeting minutes are a summarized version of the actual discussions at the meeting. These are not verbatim transcripts.

Mayor Padgett called the meeting to order and led the pledge. Councilwoman Reneau led the invocation.

Mayor Padgett thanked Councilwoman Chandler for filling in when she was out town. Mayor Chandler stated she has a new appreciation for the Mayor's role.

Mayor Padgett requested approval of the consent agenda which consisted of:

1. Minutes of April 18, 2023 Regular Meeting
2. Expense Report

Councilman Clardy made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Councilwoman Reneau seconded the motion. Voting 5-0; motion carried.

Clerk Linster opened the sole bid on the small, damaged gazebo, which currently sits in the maintenance yard. James Rhoden, Jr. bid \$1.00 for the gazebo. Councilwoman Reneau made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Chandler, to award the bid for the gazebo in the amount of \$1.00 to Mr. James Rhoden, Jr. Voting 5-0; Motion carried. Clerk Linster explained the bid specifications required the bid winner to pick up and remove the gazebo from the premises. She will reach out to Mr. Rhoden asking him to do so within seven (7) days.

Mayor Padgett presented the current inventory list to the council, stating the threshold is a \$5,000 value and a projected useful life of one (1) year to record property for inventory purposes. She explained many of the items currently listed as town inventory is under the \$5,000 value and she would like the council's approval to remove those items from inventory. Councilwoman

Chandler made a motion to remove all items under \$5,000 from the Town's inventory list. Councilwoman Reneau seconded the motion. Voting 5-0; motion carried.

Adoption of Resolution 2023-01 for the updated Highway Maintenance Agreement was discussed, but tabled due to Attorney Bense having several concerns about some of the wording of the agreement on pages 3 – 5, which could create liability for the town. These items will be researched and placed on the June meeting agenda which still gives us time to adopt and submit the agreement prior to the June 30th deadline.

Attorney Bense read Ordinance 2023-02, amending the Town's Comprehensive Plan, by title only. He stated DEO had no objections to the submitted proposed amendments to the Town's Comprehensive Plan including the 2 (two) referenced elements/suggestions. Councilwoman Reneau made a motion stating with DEO having no objections to the submitted proposed amendments to the Town of Glen St. Mary's Comprehensive Plan, including the 2 (two) referenced elements, to acknowledge the approval of the 2nd reading and final adoption of Ordinance 2023-02. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Chandler. Councilwoman Reneau made a further motion to add acknowledgment of the approval of 2nd reading and final adoption of Ordinance 2023-02 based on there also being no objections from the council or public. Councilwoman Chandler second the motion. Voting 5-0; motion carried.

Mr. Norman informed that we have contacted Skinner Horizontal for quotes to run water lines to the Derek Payne property located at 7463 South Glen Blvd. To tap and install water lines from South Glen Blvd, the quote is \$7,093. To tap only the 8-inch water line and set the meter at South Glen Blvd. and George Taber Blvd., the quote is \$1,971. To tap for sewer at South Glen Blvd and George Taber, the quote totals \$2,845. He explained we do not need to obligate ourselves to anything at this time. Mayor Padgett said she has contacted the County Road Department and is waiting to hear back from them to clear the right-of-way on South Glen Blvd. If we can get the roadway cleared out, it may not be as costly. Councilwoman Reneau asked if others can hook up to the lines on South Glen Blvd. Mayor Padgett said yes, others could hook up, but we would need to install a large enough line. She stated there are 2 (two) other residents down that lane currently both of which have a well and septic tank. However, no one would be able to tie into Mr. Payne 2-inch water line if he runs it down South Glen Blvd. and George Taber Blvd. because that line would be run at Mr. Payne's expense.

Mayor Padgett stated there has been no applicants for the town maintenance position to date. She explained staff has spoken with the DCT Coordinator at Baker County High School and there is a possibility we may be able to get one of the DCT students to work with us. Councilwoman Chandler asked how we are doing on mowing with only one maintenance employee. Mayor Padgett said we are doing okay currently.

Mr. Norman explained there has been a 2nd notice sent to commercial customers to remind them it is their responsibility to have their backflow preventors recertified. Out of 37 commercial accounts, there are currently 18 not certified for the month of March.

Mayor Padgett stated we will be acquiring quotes for security cameras this week.

Councilman Clardy asked about the installation of irrigations meters. Mayor Padgett said there would be no benefit to him cost-wise. Attorney Bense explained installing an irrigation meter saves residents on sewer rates.

Mayor Padgett said Ms. Gina Gatlin will be donating plants around the gazebo in Celebration Park. We will also add pine straw to several areas. Once the fall season arrives, Ms. Gatlin will add more plants around the park and Town Hall, and also in the median in front of Town Hall.

Clerk Linster provided an update on the Code Enforcement issue at 9786 South Clinton Avenue. She stated she and Mayor Padgett attended the Code Enforcement Hearing on March 2 with the County Magistrate and residents of the property. At that hearing, the Magistrate gave the owners/residents 14 days to clean up the property. The Town received a 2nd hearing notice from the County Code Enforcement Office which was scheduled for May 2nd, however one day prior to that meeting, staff was informed that the property was finally in compliance.

Councilwoman Chandler made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Clardy. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Christy C. Linster, Town Clerk

Juanice Padgett, Mayor