

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF GLASSPORT BOROUGH COUNCIL, OCTOBER 15, 2024

The Regular Monthly Meeting of Glassport Borough Council was called to order by Anthony Colecchi, President of Council.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: DeVerse, present; Kowalski, present; Nabors, present; Norelli, present; Stecak, absent; Trunzo, absent; Colecchi, present; Mayor DiMarco, present.

There were no public comments on Agenda Items.

Motion made by DeVerse second by Kowalski to approve the Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes of September 24, 2024.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Motion made by Nabors second by Norelli to approve the Safety Meeting Minutes of September 26, 2024.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Committee Reports:

Delinquent Taxes/Sewage and Administration – Councilman Angelo Norelli

Total Collections from MBM Collections for September	\$ 15,990.77
Year to Date Collections from MBM Collections for delinquent Real Estate tax	\$196,375.09
Total Delinquent Sewage Collections for September	\$ 77,849.50
Year to date collections	\$334,005.44

Public Works - Street and Sewage Departments – Council Vice President Mark Stecak (Read by President Anthony Colecchi)

The DEP mandated removal of the Under Ground Storage Tank at the Public Works Garage has been completed. We are waiting on the results of the soil samples to find out if the soil has been contaminated and if so, it will need to be remediated.

The advertisement for the replacement of the Channeling Wall at the Waste Water Treatment Plant was in the Mon Valley Independent on September 25. Bids will be opened on October 18 here in Council Chambers. The project will be awarded on November 19.

Update on the Long-Term Control plan for the Sewage Plant.

- Edge AI is continuing to televise the 22 miles of sewers in the Borough. The biggest issue they are coming across other than the 10' section of crushed sewer is not having access to some manholes. The Public Works Dept is trying to help them with this. The cost of this project is \$290,400.
- The diffuser replacement project at the sewage plant is almost complete. The bypass for the aeration tank went smoothly.

Crime Watch Parks & Recreation, GDC – Councilman Dave Kowalski

Trick or treat this year will be Thursday Oct 31 from 6:00 – 8:00.

The Christmas Parade will be Saturday November 30. 5th Street to 8th Street will be closed from 5:00 – 7:00 for the parade and the 400 block of Monongahela Avenue will be closed from 5:00 – 8:00 for the festivities.

The Glassport Development Corp is looking for volunteers. Meetings are held the first Monday of the month here at the Borough Building at 6:00. If you would like to be involved with the events that take place in the Borough, please come to a meeting.

Glassport Lanes will be having signups for the Youth Bowling.

Motion made by Norelli second by DeVerse to approve the Resolution to donate the playground equipment from the Ninth Street Ballfield to East Pittsburgh.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Motion made by DeVerse second by Kowalski to adopt Resolution No. 2 of 10-15-24 donating the playground equipment to East Pittsburgh.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Buildings – Councilwoman Amy Nabors

Council voted to advertise the sale of 102 7th Street. This ad was placed in the Mon Valley Independent on Saturday Sept 28. Bids were received through October 8th at 4:00. There were no bids received.

Motion made by Norelli second by DeVerse to advertise the sale of 102 Seventh Street.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Communications and Building Inspector – Councilwoman Meghan DeVerse

Council has received the Building Inspector Report. Occupancy Inspections and permits for the month of September are:

- 3 - Certificates of Occupancy issued
- 12 - Conditional Certificates of Occupancy Issued
- 1 -Building Permit

There will be a PA License to Carry a Firearm Satellite Event at the Borough Building on October 26, from 9am – 3pm. This will be put out on social media and forms will be provided by the county on the day of the event.

McKeesport Ambulance will be offering flu shots to anyone interested over the age of 3. October 21st from 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm here at the Borough Building. Anyone receiving a vaccine must present their insurance card.

Fire Department and Senior Citizen’s Center – Councilman Paul Trunzo

There was no report given in Councilman Trunzo’s absence.

Police Committee, Safety Committee – Council President Anthony Colecchi

The next Safety Meeting will be Thursday October 31.

There is nothing new to report on Allegheny Together

The Giant Eagle Mobile market is being well received. They are averaging 20 to 30 people per week.

We have representatives here this evening from Tree Pittsburgh. They will update us on their program.

Police Report - Mayor Keith DiMarco – Police Report is available upon request.

Motion made by Nabors second by Kowalski to ratify the hiring of Police Office Luke Temple.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

There were 1,116 calls for service during the month of September along with 77 Juvenile Incidents.

Code Enforcement sent out 15 Notices with 4 Citations being issued.

Borough Manager's Report – Elaina Skiba

The office staff met with Brentwood Bank today to discuss accepting credit card payments. We are waiting on answers to a few questions and then the information will be presented to Council.

The Borough will be entering into our 3rd year of the contract with Waste Management. The new fee for 2025 will be \$27.99 per month along with the processing fee for billing.

Solicitor's Report – Falco Muscante, Maiello, Brungo and Maiello, LLC

We have received 2 sealed bids for the purchase of the Public Works 2000 F250.

Bid No. 1	Original Tree Service	\$1,152.00
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Bid No. 2	Paul's Auto	\$ 500.00
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Motion made by Nabors second by Norelli to award the bid for the purchase of the Public Works 2000 F250 to Original Tree Service.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Motion made by DeVerse second by Norelli to adopt Resolution No. 9 (10/15/24) authorizing the sale of the Public Works 2000 F250.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Written Reports of Borough Officials:

Tax Collector – Jennifer Bell – Report available upon request.

Treasurer’s Report – Elaina Skiba.

Council has received the Treasurer Report and there are copies on the desk for the public.

To date, the Borough has received \$22,896.64 in interest because of switching banks to Brentwood Bank.

Motion made by Nabors second by Norelli to approve the Monthly Financial Reports.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Motion made by Kowalski second by Norelli to approve and pay General Fund Bills for September in the amount of \$548,119.30

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Motion made by Norelli second by Kowalski to approve and pay Sewer Revenue Fund bills for September in the amount of \$91,369.56.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

New Business:

Council has decided to allow for additional installments for the payment of Real Estate Taxes. The new process for paying taxes will be either three (3) or four (4) payments. The due dates for the installments will change as well. Once this is looked into the Borough will make the residents aware of what the options will be.

Public Comments:

Mike Tomak – 418 Broadway – has concerns about the condition of the property at 1010 Vermont Avenue and the fact that they are burning wires and stuff and the smell is horrible. There are tarps surround the property so people cannot see what is going on.

Betty Kaczka – Inquired about what happened to the US Steel Money. Ms. Skiba told her she would get her a breakdown of how the money was spent.

Motion made by DeVerse second by Nabors to adjourn.

Yes -- 5 No – 0 Absent -- 2 Motion Carried

Submitted by:

Andrea Foster
Borough Secretary

Approved by:

Anthony Colecchi
President of Council