

June 9, 2025, 7:00 P.M.

Denny Richardson, Council President, opened the monthly Town Council meeting. Denny led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Roll call was taken and present besides Denny were Jo Temple, Council Vice-President; David Miller, Council Member; Mary Richardson, Clerk-Treasurer; Paul Sembach, Utilities Supervisor-Operator; Brayton Buckley, Code Enforcement Officer; and Geoffrey Wesling, Town Attorney. Chris Reynolds, Marshal, was absent. An attendance sheet was made available for non-officers and citizens.

Denny opened the public hearing for the proposed Ordinance 2025-5 Establishing Noise Requirements. Denny stated anyone wanting to comment should go to the podium and state their name and if they are commenting in favor or against the proposed ordinance. Each person was allowed three minutes and must sign the meeting sign-up sheet. There were no questions or comments.

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

Denny reopened the council meeting.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to approve the May 6, 2025 special council meeting and May 12, 2025 council meeting minutes. Approval was unanimous.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to approve Jo Temple's conflict of interest statement. Approval was unanimous with Jo abstaining from the vote.

A motion was made 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.

General Fund	\$2,178.52	Sewage Utility Operating Fund	\$18,615.00
Motor Vehicle Highway Fund	\$189.96	Payroll Fund	\$5,255.79
Park Fund	\$186.78		
Water Utility Operating Fund	\$8,661.23	Total	\$39,369.11

#### Unfinished Business

Based on the fact that the entire proposed Ordinance was made available prior to the Town Council meeting, a motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by David Miller to suspend the rules to read the proposed Ordinance out loud, waive the first reading, and act upon Ordinance 2025-5 Establishing Noise Requirements. Approval was unanimous.

A motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by David Miller to approve Ordinance 2025-5 Establishing Noise Requirements as presented and effective immediately. Approval was unanimous.

Since the federal budget has not yet been passed, there was no update on the water utility improvement grant application pending submission to the Congress by Representative Jefferson Shreve.

David Burkhart, Glenwood Volunteer Fire Department, discussed the May meeting gravel request for the fire station parking lot. It was determined that five to six loads are needed. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to hire Dale Munson to provide the gravel for a cost not to exceed \$3,000. Approval was unanimous.

David commented that the Fire Department installed a generator for emergencies.

The Council and Town Attorney reviewed the proposed animal ordinance and the abbreviated legal notice for the public hearing. It was agreed to post the notice for the public hearing at the July 14, 2025 council meeting.

Mary reported that she is still working on sending ordinances to American Legal Publishing to be linked to the town's website.

Chris Reynolds presented a Letter of Commendation to Deputy Marshal Brayton Buckley recognizing his bravery during his participation in a charity motorcycle ride in Rush County. Deputy Marshal Buckley was involved in an accident and wounded. He immediately began rendering aid to others whom were more severely wounded. This action was the reflection of what the Town of Glenwood expects from their public servants on and off duty.

Chris discussed the police equipment needs. Besides items previously approved, Chris stated it will take approximately \$2,000 to repair the police vehicle. He stated the Council should consider a new police vehicle in next year's budget. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to purchase 50 police patches. Approval unanimous.

Mary questioned what was different that requires so much more than has been previously needed. Chris explained that since COVID and the Breonna Taylor incident, police policies have changed. Although an arrest can be made in plain clothes, full uniform is required when possible.

After discussing the upcoming live streaming requirements, a motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by David Miller to contract with Trevor Serocki at a cost of \$2500 for ten years. Approval was unanimous. Denny will contact him and get the system installed before the July meeting.

Mary said she plans to request the Park Board postpone the July meeting until August. It will be easier to adjust to livestreaming just one meeting in July.

Denny said he and Paul will get keys gathered or made to lock in the key cabinet.

The Council discussed the June 7 dumpster day. The dumpsters worked great. However, people came after the event and dumped trash which overloaded the dumpsters and some trash was dumped on the ground. A third dumpster was needed to clean up the trash left.

The bus stop signs and alley traffic agenda items were indefinitely tabled.

Paul stated he will install the ADA accessibility parking sign at the Town Hall.

Mary stated she is still working on a trash/junk and trash burning ordinance.

Mary reported that she had started the CenterPoint Energy Community Safety Grant application but did not receive the equipment quote in time to apply. This grant will not be open again until next year.

### New Business

Mary discussed the 2026 budget process. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to hold the budget public hearing at the August council meeting and the adoption at the September council meeting. Approval was unanimous.

Mary stated there is some unknown regarding the 2026 budget until we know the results of the new property tax law. There will apparently be cuts over time and Mary is not sure how much will be cut for 2026. Mary will add the 2026 salary ordinance to the July meeting but recommends a minimal or no increase.

Mary said she is attending weekly budget training classes. Mary also mentioned that the public safety from local income tax will expire at the end of 2027. It will be replaced with another income tax. Since Glenwood is under 3500 in population, the two counties will decide whether or not Glenwood can retain 75% of the income tax. It will be important for Glenwood to petition the counties to adopt the tax for Glenwood.

Mary discussed the current online payment process with PayGov. It works very well with the online payment option linked through the town's website. The cost to customers is 3%. Mary found that the State sponsors payment options to include PayPal which is 1.99%. She is willing to change as long as the process works as well as PayGov.

A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Jo Temple to authorize Mary Richardson to change online payment vendors if the option works well for the town's process. Approval was unanimous.

The Council discussed the IDEM water inspection results. Paul stated he responded to IDEM but there are some minor deficiencies to be resolved which includes an emergency response plan. Paul is working with the Alliance of Rural Water. Jo stated she will contact the IDEM representative for more clarification.

Mary said it is about time for her to take the renewal training for the INDOT Employee of Responsible Charge. As she mentioned last year, she is willing to help but there needs to be someone else with this certification. Even though the town does not have anything happening with INDOT now, the certification needs to be in place if the town ever wants INDOT help. Down the road, the Community Crossing grant may be good for Glenwood. David Miller stated he will also take the course.

The Council discussed the planned community supper on July 10, 2025. Mary said she will post notices. A motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by Denny Richardson to furnish food and supplies for the community supper. Approval was unanimous.

The Council discussed the unplotted alley on State Street that has trees and brush. Geoff Wesling stated the Town is responsible to clear trees but the property owner is responsible to clear items in the alley. Jo will obtain quotes for the tree removal. Geoff will send a letter to the property owner.

## Reports

Mary stated that the Rush Co Area Plan Commission (APC) did not have a meeting. But Denny and Mary attended the May 15, 2025 Rush County Community Foundation's Planning Session for the Lilly Endowment GIFT VIII strategic investment plan for recreation. Several preliminary ideas were discussed for the county parks including Glenwood's park. There will be monthly meetings but it will be at least August before Glenwood will begin the involvement of a park design.

Mary noted that she has provided Paul with the information needed for the water self-audit report. It needs to be completed by August even though a validation is not required.

Denny noted that the Rush County's trash collection site is being upgraded.

Mary reported that Shelby County Co-Op is offering a summer fill for \$1.64 per gallon. There will be a winter lock-in program later. A motion was made by David Miller and seconded by Denny Richardson to authorize Mary Richardson to opt in to the Shelby County Co-Op summer fill program and also with the winter lock in program which will be offered later. Approval was unanimous.

Mary stated that she is trying to get the required training. She will attend the AIM Ideas Summit in October. She is also was planning to attend the Indiana League of Municipal Clerks and Treasurers conference in August. However, it begins on the date of the town meeting. She might be able to leave on Tuesday and get a day and a half day of training. It is at French Lick and a long drive to go alone.

Chris discussed required police training needed for Brayton Buckley.

Brayton provided a code enforcement update including that the Rush County Area Plan Commission has sent letters regarding junk at Glenwood properties. The discussion included that the Rush County Area Plan Commission is not covering the zoning for the Fayette County side in Glenwood. Mary will send the zoning documentation to Geoff and he will research the zoning for Glenwood.

Brayton discussed the no parking zones in Glenwood and related ordinances. Mary agreed to provide Brayton with the current no parking ordinances.

Paul Sembach provided his written and oral report including the wellhead protection plan update and well #2 repair.

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

Mary M. Richardson, Clerk-Treasurer