

**MINUTES OF
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
GLENNVILLE CITY HALL
TUESDAY, JULY 7, 2026**

The regular scheduled council meeting was held in the City Hall Conference Room on Tuesday, July 7, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Bernie Weaver, Mayor
Tammy Waters, Mayor Pro Tem
Greg Janeczek, Councilmember
Marcus Nobles, III, Councilmember
Cynthia Miller, Councilmember
Delilah Bryant, City Clerk
Wes Kicklighter, Police Chief
Andrew Johnson, City Attorney
Rob Fravel, Public Works Director
Scott Terrell, Fire Chief

I. CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Weaver called the meeting to order Citizen Glenn Durrence gave the invocation, and Public Works Director Rob Fravel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Councilmember Nobles, seconded by Councilmember Miller and passed unanimously.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Joanne Anderson:

"Good evening, Mayor, Council and Citizens of Glennville, I stand before you tonight for one reason and one reason alone, because the truth does not expire, the passage of time does not erase it, the silence does not bury it and political maneuvering does not exchange it. The interest that brought citizens to this Chamber months ago has not disappeared. The questions remain, the concerns remain, the broken trust between the government and the people it serves remains, April 28, 2026, video was more than a video, it was a window. A window that the citizens of Glennville was allowed to see what many feared but could not prove. Once people have seen behind the curtain, they cannot unsee it. The people watch, the people listen, the people judge for themselves and what they saw shook their confidence in the leadership of this city. Now some would like us to believe this chapter is closed, some would like us to move on, some would like us to pretend that the ethics review and a training session can somehow restore public trust. What I ask you tonight is that accountability? Is that justice? Because accountability is more than checking a box. Accountability is more than attending a seminar. Accountability requires honesty, it requires humility, it requires leaders to look the people in the eye and admit

that they have failed the Standard of their office and that is what so many citizens are still waiting to see. You see trust is like glass, once shattered it can be repaired but the cracks never disappear unless the repair is genuine. Where many citizens stand those cracks are voices for fewer concerns. Do not mistake exhaustion for acceptance. Do not mistake patience for surrender. The people are still watching that we see you. The people are still listening, and the people are still asking questions. Questions about procedures, questions about appointments, questions about committees, questions about where the rules are being followed equally and consistently, questions about where political loyalty has become more important than public service, questions that deserve answers because transparency should never fear scrutiny. Integrity should never fear the light. When I reviewed the city charter and the ordinances, I found questions that deserve public answers, questions about committee appointments and committee authorities, questions about process, questions about oversight and every unanswered question chips away at public confidence. Every unanswered question deepens public doubt. Let me remind the question widens the position between government and the governed. You do not own those seats, you occupy them temporarily, the people own them. The people entrusted you with them, the people empowered you and the people have the right to demand accountability from those that serve them. Public office is not a crown, it is responsibility. Public office is not a privilege, it is trust. And public offices are not about serving friends and allies or public interest. It is about serving every citizen equally, fairly and respectfully, that is the standard. Not your standard but the people's standard, we still see you and I hope you hear me."

Tawanna Williams – no show

Whitney Miller Bradley

"To the mayor, honorable council members and the citizens. Good evening. My name is Whitney Miller Bradley and I am a resident of Glennville, Georgia. I stand before you tonight in support of the citizens, that this council serves, I am here to request that the City of Glennville takes immediate steps to equip council chambers with a proper microphone system and overflow monitors to address the problem that has gone on too long. The problem is simple, the people of Glennville hear or see their government in action. At every council meeting resident sitting beyond the first few rows struggle to hear what councilmembers are saying, voices are muffled and statements are repeated and community members are left guessing about the outcome of the votes and discussions that affect their daily lives. This is not a minor inconvenience; it is a barrier to public participation. The issue is compounded on nights when public issues are high and the chambers overflow into the hallways, those citizens, taxpayers that took time out of their evening to be present, can hear nothing and see nothing. They are physically present at a public meeting but functionally excluded from it. It's not just a matter of courtesy, but a matter of law. Under Georgia open meeting act the public must be afforded meaningful access to meetings of governing bodies. The act states that visual and sound recordings during open meetings be permitted and that the public's right to attend these meetings are protected by statute. The Georgia's first amendment further clarifies that governing bodies are expected to make a good faith effort to open meetings to people as possible and when

serve meeting overflows officials have an obligation to accommodate that public interest. The law even indicates when physical space is inadequate governing bodies should take steps to expand access; This Council has previously been found in violation of the open meetings act. That history makes the need for this request even more urgent, proper audio and visual infrastructure is not optional. It is part of what compliance with this law looks like and practices. Citizens have a right to observe their government. Studies show that when citizens feel excluded from civic processes, trust and local government erode. According to the national league of cities, communities that invest in accessible and transparent local government consistently see higher rates of civic engagement and better voter turnout and stronger resident satisfaction with municipal government. In small rural communities like Glennville the city council decisions have an outside impact on everyday life from road conditions, to zoning, to community resources, this access is not luxury it is foundational. I'm not here to identify a problem, I have researched practical solutions specific for small city council chambers like ours. I have options that are in active use by municipalities across the country that are well within the budget. For time purposes, we can invest in a microphone pa system that is portable from 800 to 1600. A microphone pa system that is permanent for 3500 to 5500. Overflow monitors which include 1 or 2 screens installed 1500 to 2500. And the complete starter solution would equal between 2300 to 4100. For a city that allocates funds for maintaining our streets, parks and public buildings this is a modest and one time investment in infrastructure in democracy itself. Grant Funding through the department of community affairs and USDA rural community devolvement facility program may also be available to offset these costs. Members of this council, residents of Glennville show up to these meetings because they believe in this project. When those residents cannot hear your deliberations, when they cannot see the vote being taken the very matter they came to witness, public trust in that process breaks down, and this body has an obligation both legally and civically to prevent that from happening. Transparency is not just what happened, it's about who gets to witness it. Democracy does not function in the dark and it does not function in the muffled silence of a room where voices cannot hear. Thank you for your time, your service and your consideration."

DeAndreia Youngblood

"Good evening, everyone, you caught my speech last month, it is the same thing, but I will sum it up, I'm just asking for a follow up on it honestly. So, last month I came before you to ask that Glennville City Council meetings be live streamed and archived where residents can watch them even though they cannot attend. Many of our citizens work during these meeting hours but I will say this is one of the most convenient times in comparison to the County Commissioners and Board of Education, so I do commend you guys on that. Many of the citizens have family responsibilities, are elderly or just simply cannot make it here in person. It doesn't mean that they do not care about what is happening in the city. Live streaming and achieving these meetings would allow every citizen to stay informed, understand how decisions are made and become more engaged in their local government. It's not about politics or taking sides, it's just about accessibility, transparency and building trust between the city and the people it stirred. Many cities, both large and small, already live streaming and achieving their meetings because it recognizes the public business should be as accessible as possible. I am

sampling by asking if this request keeps being considered and whether the council will provide the public with an update of where the proposal stands and if it will even be conducted. Even if implementation takes time to know progress is taking place it will mean a lot to the citizens. I am open to leaving my contact information, for anyone that will need my input I am happy to assist."

Justin Leamon Enfinger

That is some tough acts, I appreciate y'all sticking with this because some of them tried demeanor so I figured that I would write it out so that way I won't get off track and get excited. I m here tonight to address the official record report regarding the incident involving myself, my son and the police department at the last meeting that I spoke at. The mayor made a comment as he was leaving wondering if I get a crazy check. Do you remember that, watch the videos guys. Let's address that directly, if my demeanor changed it was because an order was given to an officer to violate my 16-year-old son's first amendments rights to film government officials in course of their duties. When that officer moved towards my son, I did what any parent would do. I stepped in between them to protect him, it was at that moment Officer Boyd, the very officer I was here to complain about charged at me. When I returned to the podium to speak, Officer Boyd and Officer Cranford followed me actively trying to intimidate me. When I asked Officer to step back because he was too close, he refused, saying that I was not going to yell at him. My response was yes, I will yell at you, and I will call you a piece of shit which is a first amendment right you. After that he put his hands on me, Nobles and you tried to blame me for his actions, so if all haven't seen the video of him getting arrested in Tybee Island, I urge to watch that, circling back around y'all aren't going to do anything. You keep hiring city managers that aren't qualified for the job, or you keep shuffling them around, then his suggestion goes back to you to validate, and you can't validate yourselves even though you know everyone is against it. I don't know if you know but we have a petition going around we need 100 signatures to start the work to get all out. That's it for me.

Mayor Weaver advised that one of the council members has talked to our IT person, where we can get where we can live stream this.

IV. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. A motion was made by Councilmember Nobles, seconded by Councilmember Waters and passed unanimously,

V. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER REZONING REQUEST FOR PARCEL NO. G04 094A AT 305 KICKLIGHTER STREET FROM R-3 (HIGH DENSITY MULTI FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO C-3 (HIGHWAY ORIENTED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT).

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to go into the public hearing. A motion was made by Councilmember Nobles, seconded by Councilmember Waters and passed unanimously.

- Appointment of Presiding Officer

Mayor Weaver appointed City Attorney Andrew Johnson to preside over the public hearing,

- Public Comments

Westley Bland came before the residents to explain what he wanted to do with the property and answer questions. Mr. Bland explained that he wanted to place a mobile home sales lot on this property and they would be entering the property from highway 301 through the Farmers Furniture parking lot. He would have one double wide set up as an office that would be one of the models that he would sell and have 2 or 3 models that he would be selling on the lots. Citizens, him and the council ask questions, mainly about whether this would affect the zone on their homes and lots.

- Recommendation from the Planning Commission

The recommendation from the Planning Commission was a 3-1 vote not to allow this property to be rezoned.

- Close Public Hearing

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to close the public hearing. A motion was made by Councilmember Janeczek, seconded by Councilmember Nobles and passed unanimously.

VI. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #26-14 REZONING OF PARCEL NO. G04 094A AT 305 KICKLIGHTER STREET FROM R-3 (HIGH DENSITY MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT) TO C-3(HIGHWAY ORIENTED COMMERCIAL DISTRICT),

Councilmember Miller voted yes, Councilmember Nobles voted yes, Councilmember Janeczek voted no, Councilmember Waters voted no. Mayor Weaver split the tie vote by voting yes. Resolution was passed for the rezoning of the property.

VII. HENRY STRICKLAND, RECREATION DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS A POSSIBLE APPROVEMENT OF AN IDEA TO RAISE MONEY TO HAVE THE LIGHTS AT THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT FIXED AND ALSO TO IMPROVE THE PLAYGROUND ALSO TO HELP RAISE MONEY TO PURCHASE A NEW FIRE TRUCK AND OTHER EQUIPMENT FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Strickland suggested that the city raise the water bills by \$2.00 each month until we could raise enough money to do this. \$1.00 would go to the Recreation Department and \$1.00 to the Fire Department. He would like to receive an answer in the August meeting.

VIII. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL TO PLACE CONFISCATED CAR ON GOV DEALS. IT HAS BEEN COURT APPROVED TO BE PLACED IN THE CITY OF GLENNVILLE'S NAME TO BE SOLD. THE VEHICLE IS A 2016 NISSAN ALTIMA VIN# 1N4AL3AP8GN337995

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to place the confiscated car on Gov Deals. A motion was made by Councilmember Waters, seconded by Councilmember Janeczek and passed unanimously.

XI DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF ANNUAL MERIT RAISE FOR THE CITY EMPLOYEES FOR FY'27 IN THE AMOUNT OF 1.75%

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to approve the annual merit raise for the City of Glennville Employees in the amount of 1.75%. A motion was made by Councilmember Waters, seconded by Councilmember Miller and passed unanimously.

IX. MAYOR PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION FOR HONORING RETIRING CITY CLERK, DELILAH BRYANT.

X. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Miller wanted to thank everyone for coming and announced about some upcoming events in July.

Councilmember Nobles had nothing to say.

Councilmember Janeczek had nothing to say.

Councilmember Waters had nothing to say.

None of the department heads had anything at this time.

XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR PERSONNEL REASONS

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel reasons. A motion was made by Councilmember Nobles, seconded by Councilmember Waters and passed unanimously.

XII. RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to come out of executive session. A motion was made by Councilmember Janeczek, seconded by Councilmember Waters and passed unanimously.

XIII. AMEND THE AGENDA TO APPOINT MICHELLE B. DAVIS AT CITY CLERK WITH A STARTING SALARY OF \$69,580.00

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to amend the agenda to appoint Michelle B. Davis as City Clerk with a starting salary of \$69,580.00. A motion was made by Councilmember Janeczek, seconded by Councilmember Waters and passed unanimously.

XIV. MOTION TO APPOINT MICHELLE B DAVIS AS CITY CLERK WITH A STARTING SALARY OF \$69,580.00

Mayor Weaver asked for a motion to appoint Michelle B. Davis as City Clerk with a starting salary of \$69,580.00. A motion was made by Councilmember Janeczek, seconded by Councilmember Waters and passed unanimously.

XV. ADJOURN

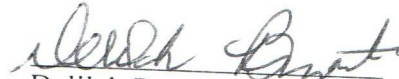
With all items being handled Mayor Weaver adjourned the meeting.

AFFIRMATION

We affirm these minutes are correct and true to form as presented to the Mayor and City Council on Tuesday, August 4, 2026.



Bernie Weaver, Mayor



Delilah Bryant, City Clerk