

**CITY OF GLEASON**  
**CITY BOARD MINUTES**

**May 18, 2026**

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the Town of Gleason met for its regular meeting May 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, prevailing time at Gleason City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Charles Anderson.

The following were present:

Charles Anderson	Mayor
James Hines	Alderman
Mike Bennett	Vice Mayor
Shawn Francisco	Alderman
Mike Stafford	Alderman
Marsha Hatley	City Recorder
Mark Stafford	Fire Chief
Rodney Garner	Public Works Director
Carter Cook	Water – Wastewater Apprentice
Clay Wright	Water – Wastewater Superintendent
Sarah Wright	Wife of Clay Wright
Lowe Finney	City Attorney

1. Prayer – Charles Anderson
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Reading of the April minutes was waived since each board member is furnished with a copy.
4. Financial Reports were reviewed.
5. Departmental Reports were given by Department Heads.
6. Mayor Anderson noted that there would soon be a second convenience store opening at the old Kimberly's Market as well as a used car lot at the old Legion Property. He advised that these two new businesses should help generate increased sales tax revenue in the upcoming months. Mayor Anderson also advised that Rye Engineering had been in town today locating leaks and had found at least six on West St that had not surfaced but were substantial. They will continue their detection tomorrow to see if any more leaks can be found that could be contributing to our ongoing water loss issues.
7. Alderman Mike Stafford made a motion to approve the minutes, financial reports, and departmental reports. Motion was seconded by Alderman Mike Bennett. The motion carried.
8. Mayor Anderson noted that he would be installing shelving at the library tomorrow. Two new rugs and two bean bag chairs have been purchased for the library. The Park is in full swing with upcoming tournaments scheduled. Rotary is doing a fantastic job with the park program this year.

CITIZENS CONCERNS / COMPLAINTS – Ted Gentle who had scheduled to speak had called and cancelled.

## OLD BUSINESS

9. Mayor Anderson asked the Board to vote to leave fluoride in or take it out. After a brief discussion of the pros and cons of fluoride a motion was made by Alderman Mike Bennett to leave it in. The motion was seconded by Alderman Shawn Francisco. The motion carried.
10. Lowe Finney advised that the Employee Policy is being reviewed and MTAS has offered to come to a meeting for the final review and approval. He stated that he would have it ready for review at next month's board meeting.

## NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Shawn Francisco made the motion to change the monthly Board Meeting time to 5 PM instead of 7PM by ordinance. This being the first reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman James Hines. The motion carried.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

11. There will be a Budget Workshop meeting on May 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM.
12. The next Board Meeting has been rescheduled for June 11<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM.
13. July 3<sup>rd</sup> will be Downtown America 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration with fireworks, music, food trucks & a parade.
14. Meeting adjourned 7:30 PM.