

## CITY OF WALESKA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES October 17, 2022

Present:

Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor

Lee Lamb, Pro Tem

Kristi Bosch, Councilmember Jon Costales, Councilmember Dennis Cochran, Councilmember Vickie Boswell, Councilmember Robyn Smith, City Clerk/Manager

John Meier, City Attorney

Lamar Rogers, Turnipseed Engineers Stanley Townsend, Townsend Pipeline

Item 1:

Call to Order

Mayor Mary Helen Lamb, called the meeting to order with a quorum present.

Item 2:

Pledge of Allegiance/Innovation

Mayor Lamb led the Pledge to the Flag

Item 3:

Consideration to Approve Regular Council Meeting Minutes October 3,

2022

Mayor Mary Helen Lamb asked for a motion to approve the Regular council minutes for October 3, 2022. A motion was made by Councilmember Cochran, seconded by Councilmember Bosch and approved by all members present.

Item 4:

Consideration to Approve Waleska Liquor and Waleska Super Mart Sign

Mayor Mary Helen Lamb asked for a motion to approve the Waleska Liquor Store and Waleska Super Mart signs. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch, seconded by Councilmember Cochran and approved by all members present.

Item 5:

Kevin Turner and Margaret Stallings to address the Mayor and Council

about Comprehensive Plan

Kevin Turner spoke at the Public Hearing to let us know of a meeting Thursday November 3, 2022 6-7:30. This will be for future plans for City of Waleska.

## Item 6: Five Minute Public Hearing None.

## Item 7: Water System Report

- Lamar Rogers surveyed Geneva and Frances Rd. One property gave ROW for purpose of road. So next step is to draw it up. The chances of doing this is depending on the residents to give an easement to City of Waleska.
- Councilmember Bosch recommended that letter be sent to each homeowner to see if they are willing to give an easement. That way we as the city have done everything we can do. Attorney John Meier will get together a letter for this.
- Stanley asked about the meeting with Cherokee County about the Salacoa area. Councilmember Cochran explained to council what happened at the meeting, and that they were willing to have discussion and take to board. City Manager will submit a letter to Tom Heard so it can be taken to the board next meeting. They have 140 customers in that area. It was discussed by Councilmember Cochran that if we take this over, we will need someone full time as a contractor that is responsible enough to help us. Stanley said due to the way our water system is not just anyone can do they job. He also said he has cut back on other projects and that him and Jason had talked about getting a crew for Waleska. Councilmember Cochran just said someone to go out about leaks and locates. Mayor Lamb said just someone for us. If we can get our leaks down to 10% that would be great.
- Still no word from UWS about completion.
- Attorney John Meier talked about the stop work order about 338 Grady St. We are getting the title work checked out on this property. His lawyer did convey to John that he wanted all work from the city to be laid at the easement, until we can confirm that we have the right we can't do anything. His lawyer was under the impression all that had been taken care of. Whatever takes place is between the residents. City Manager found resolution from 2016 that said the council had no interest in the streets that had never come to develop.

## Item 7: City Manager Report

- City Manager reported that the GEFA \$10,119 loan will be paid of in May 2023.
- City Manager reported that the next meeting will be November 14th.
- City Manager had a resident call about buying the property at the Dry Pond pump station. Councilmember Cochran made a motion to not sell property due to a dump used to be there, seconded by Councilmember Boswell, and approved by all members present.

Item 8:

City Attorney's Report

• There is a meeting with Parks Huff, Mayor and City Manager on Wednesday the 19th about annexation for 75 acres.

Item 9:

Mayor's Report

• Mayor reported that the Trunk or Treat will be held October 25 from 6-8 at Waleska United Methodist Church.

Item 10:

**Council Remarks** 

Councilmember Bosch asked about the process of raising mayor and council pay, City Manager will look into it.

Item 11:

Adjourn Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Lamb adjourned regular council meeting.

APPROVED THIS 14 DAY OF November, 2022.

Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor

Robyn Smith, City Clerk