

# CITY OF WALESKA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES November 7, 2016

Present: Doris Jones, Mayor Hill Cochran, Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Endicott, Councilman Melissa Fournier, Councilwoman Paul Ice, Councilman Mary Helen Lamb, Councilwoman Patricia King, City Attorney Lou Stewart, City Clerk/Manager

## Not Present: Edna Cook, Councilwoman

Item 1: Call to Order

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order with a quorum present.

Item 2: Pledge to the Flag

The Pledge to the Flag was led by Mayor Jones.

# Item 3: Consideration to Approve October 17, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the October 17, 2016 Council Meeting minutes. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Endicott, seconded by Councilman Cochran and approved by all members present.

#### Item 4: Approval of Amendment to Utilities Ordinance Section 26-62: Payment Due and Penalty – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the amendment to Ordinance Section 26-62. A motion was made by Councilman Cochran, seconded by Councilwoman Fournier and approved by all members present.

#### Item 5: Water System Report

No report was given.

#### Item 6: City Manager's Report

City Manager Lou Stewart informed Council that she and the Mayor had visited each merchant and ask if they would participate in lighting the front of their businesses. This would begin the week of Thanksgiving and will be judged for best decorations at the tree lighting on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. She further informed that all merchants were very receptive to participating in the event.

Ms. Stewart informed Council of the drainage issue on Ms. Jackson's property. The cost to hire a contractor would be approximately \$3,500.00 dollars. After further discussion, it was the consensus of Council to try and maintain the issue in house.

Ms. Stewart also informed Council of the correction of the last adopted budget amendment concerning the state mandated salary increase. The budget amendment was decreased from \$1,950.00 to \$1,126.20 in both the general and water funds.

#### Item 7: City Attorney's Report

No report was given.

#### Item 8: Mayor's Report

Mayor Jones informed Council that she had been invited to attend a Leadership meeting with Barry Loudermilks office and several issues were discussed. She further informed that she along with others attended the GMA Legislative Dinner in Woodstock and the meeting was very informative.

## Item 9: Council Remarks

Councilwoman Lamb reminded Council that the tree lighting will be held on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. She suggested that our speaker be Dr. Kina Mallard and music be performed by Scott Bosier.

Councilwoman Lamb also informed Mayor and Council that she would like to have the Christmas Party at her home again this year. The date was set for Friday, December  $16^{th}$  at 6:00 p.m.

#### Item 10: Executive Session

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to move into executive session at 7:40 p.m. A motion was made by Councilman Endicott, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to reconvene the Council Meeting and adjourn the executive session. A motion was made by Councilman Endicott, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

# Item 11: Adjournment

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:45 p.m. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilman Cochran and approved by all members present.

APPROVED BY ME THIS \_\_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

Doris A. Jones, Mayor

Attest:

Lou Stewart, City Clerk