



**CITY OF WALESKA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
October 17, 2016**

Present: Doris Jones, Mayor
Hill Cochran, Mayor Pro-Tem
Curtis Endicott, Councilman
Melissa Fournier, Councilwoman
Paul Ice, Councilman
Mary Helen Lamb, Councilwoman
Dana Thompson, 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: Presentation of Proclamation – Ms. Gina Nelson

Mayor Jones read and presented a Proclamation to Ms. Gina Nelson for an act of kindness in helping another citizen in need due to an automobile accident. The citizen, Ms. Ola Beatrice Poole was also presented a copy of the Proclamation.

Item 4: Consideration to Approve October 3, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the October 3, 2016 Council Meeting minutes. A motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Fournier, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

Item 5: Approval of Engine/Compression Brake Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the engine/compression brake ordinance. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Cochran, seconded by Councilman Endicott and approved by all members present.

**Item 6: Approval of Amendment to Utilities Ordinance Section 26-62:
Payment Due and Penalty – 1st Reading**

This amendment will change the wording from reconnection fee to non-payment fee for all account holders who are past due. Mayor and Council were in agreement of the first reading of the amendment. This item will be placed on the November 7th meeting agenda for second reading and approval.

Item 7: Approval of Budget Amendment

This budget amendment was to provide for the new state mandated salary for exempt personnel, which will begin December 1st. A motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilwoman Fournier and approved by all members present.

Item 8: Water System Report

Mr. Stanley Townsend informed the project on Pittman Lane has been completed. He further informed that Jason had read the City of Canton meter and the usage was 4.4 million, which is approximately three (3) million less than last month. This savings should reflect on next month's billing from Canton.

Item 9: City Managers Report

Ms. Lou Stewart informed Council that North Metro will set a dumpster for Community Clean Up Day on Thursday, December 29th. She also contacted the contractor to install the Christmas lights the week of Thanksgiving and property tax bills are still scheduled to be mailed out at the end of October.

Item 10: City Attorney's Report

No Report.

Item 11: Mayor's Report

No Report.

Item 12: Council Remarks

Councilwoman Lamb apologized for stating the wrong date for the dinner being hosted by Cecil and Edyth Miller of SAM, Senior Adult Ministries from the United Methodist Church. The correct date is November 7th at 5:30 p.m.

Item 13: Mayor Jones asked for a motion to move into executive session at 7:15 p.m. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilman Cochran and approved by all members present.

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

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:25 p.m. A motion was made by Councilman Endicott, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

APPROVED BY ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2016.

Doris A. Jones, Mayor

Attest:

Lou Stewart, City Clerk