



**CITY OF WALESKA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 16, 2016**

Present: Doris Jones, Mayor
Hill Cochran, Mayor Pro-Tem
Edna Cook, Councilwoman
Melissa Fournier, Councilwoman
Paul Ice, Councilman
Mary Helen Lamb, Councilwoman
Will Tate, City Attorney
Lou Stewart, City Clerk/Manager
Stanley Townsend, Townsend Pipeline

Absent: Curtis Endicott, Councilman

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 May 2, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the May 2, 2016 Council Meeting minutes. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Cochran, seconded by Councilwoman Cook and approved by all members present.

Item 4: Consideration to Approve Purchasing/Credit Card Policy

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the Purchasing/Credit Card Policy. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cook, seconded by Councilwoman Fournier and approved by all members present.

Item 5: Yard of the Month Nomination

Mayor Jones asked for a nomination for Yard of the Month. A nomination was made by Councilwoman Fournier for 438 Bartow Street, the residence of Ms. Sharon Romano.

Item 6: Water System Report

Mr. Stanley Townsend informed Council there were some small leaks in the system that needs repair but, nothing major. He will be working on Pittman Lane to move the water lines due to the road being graded and resurfaced by Cherokee County.

Item 8: FY 2016-17 Budget Review

Ms. Lou Stewart reviewed with Mayor and Council the Water Fund and SPLOST Fund Budgets for 2017. She gave an overview of the actual revenue and expenditures to date for 2016 for a comparison to the budget totals that were recommended for 2017. A public hearing on the budget will be on June 6th at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall with the budget adoption being placed on the June 20th agenda.

Item 9: City Manager's Report

Ms. Stewart informed Council there have been several issues with the copier, and multiple maintenance request. She distributed a copy of an upgrade proposal on leasing a new machine which included trade in value of the one we own. The cost of the lease will be \$170.48 monthly for 48 months, which includes maintenance, parts and all supplies. The cost per page printed is also less expensive. Ms. Stewart asked for a consensus of Council to move forward. Council was in agreement to move forward with the lease. This item will be placed on the June 6th agenda for approval.

Ms. Stewart informed Council that an individual was interested in the City rental space but, asked that a credit be given back on rent if he installed new carpet and other remodeling to the space. He also asked if the lease could be on a month to month basis. After further discussion, it was the consensus of Council that any remodeling to building will be completed by the City and no credit would be given on rent. It was also decided that no lease will be given on a month to month basis.

Item 10: City Attorney Report

No report was given.

Item 9: Mayor's Report

The Mayor reminded Council the tour of the new North Side Hospital will be Thursday, May 19th at 4:00 p.m.

Item 10: Council Remarks

No report was given.

Item 11: Executive Session:

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to move into executive session at 7:45 p.m. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cook, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb 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 Cook, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. A motion to adjourn was made by Councilwoman Cook, seconded by Councilwoman Fournier and approved by all members present.

APPROVED BY ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2016.

Doris A. Jones, Mayor

Attest:

Lou Stewart, City Clerk/Manager