



**CITY OF WALESKA  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
December 4, 2023**

**Present:** Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor  
Lee Lamb, Councilmember  
Dennis Cochran, Pro Tem  
Kristi Bosch, Councilmember  
Vickie Lawson, Councilmember  
Robyn Smith, City Clerk/Manager  
Lamar Rogers, Turnipseed Engineers  
John Meier, City Attorney  
Jason 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 November 13, 2023**  
Mayor Mary Helen Lamb asked for a motion to approve the Regular council minutes for November 13, 2023. A motion was made by Councilmember Cochran, seconded by Councilmember Bosch, and approved by all members present.
- Item 4: Review and Award Bid for Installation of Meters and Service Lines**  
Mayor Mary Helen Lamb asked for a motion to award J.L. Walker Construction, Inc. DBA S.H. Creel Contracting, LLC. Councilmember Bosch asked Lamar Rogers from Turnipseed Engineers if this was an as needed basis and that we weren't having to pay \$147,845.50 per year. Mr. Rogers made it clear that's exactly the case with this bid. A motion was made by Councilmember Cochran, seconded by Councilmember Bosch, to award a bid to J.L. Walker Construction, Inc. with changes to the resolution stating it will begin January 1, 2024 and end January 1, 2025, and approved by all members present.

- Item 5: Review and Approve Change of Ordinance for Sunday Sales**
- Councilmember Bosch made a motion to table this for a later date, seconded by Councilmember Lawson, and approved by all members present.
- Item 6: Review and Approve Time for Sunday Sales**
- Councilmember Bosch made a motion to table this for a later date, seconded by Councilmember Lawson, and approved by all members present.
- Item 7: Five Minute Public Hearing**
- Habitat for Humanity spoke on the issue with Hickory Nut. One parcel does not have water for it. Council asked Jason Townsend about when he could run lines, once Habitat clears lot, he can do it.
  - Bryan Watkins was here to see when UWS would start on Fincher Rd., Lamar Rogers reported it will be January.
- Item 8: Water System Report**
- Jason Townsend reported that they have finished on Huey Barnes Lane
  - Fate Conn pump was discussed, and Jason reported that he needs to contact the owner.
- Item 9: City Manager Report**
- Reminded Mayor and Council of Tree Lighting on Thursday.
- Item 10: City Attorney's Report**
- Just reviewed older issues that are still open
- Item 11: Mayor's Report**
- The mayor recognized 3 council members that ended their time with the City of Waleska, Lee Lamb, Jon Costales, and Vickie Lawson.
- Item 12: Council Remarks**
- None
- Item 13: Adjourn Regular Council Meeting**
- Item 14: Enter Executive Session – Personnel and Consultation with Attorney**
- Item 15: Adjourn Executive Session**
- Item 16: Enter Regular Council Meeting**
- While in Executive Session the mayor and council received an email from Stanley Townsend with Townsend Pipeline about the awarding of J.L. Walker. It stated that he was not happy that he didn't know of this ahead of time, and the mayor and council needed to decide where we would go from here.

APPROVED THIS 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF January, 2028.4

Mary Helen Lamb

Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor

Attest:

Robyn Smith

Robyn Smith, City Clerk