



City of Waleska  
Mayor's Newsletter  
April 2017

Dear Citizens of Waleska:

We have completed our April Council Meetings and wish to share some of the information we discussed.

### **April 10, 2017 City Council Meeting**

#### **Consideration to Approve Rezoning Application-423 Bartow Street-Phoebe Maze**

City Attorney Dana Thompson advised City Council to table the rezoning request and update the permitted use table for the NC (Neighborhood Commercial) zoning to include a bed and breakfast. A motion to table the rezoning request and update the permitted use table was approved unanimously.

Ms. Stallings informed Council and I that an update to the Comprehensive Plan is due by October 31, 2018. They have identified Waleska to hold a special workshop to look at the plan to be specific to Waleska needs. A kick-off process with the Board of Commissioners will be held on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. This can be a joint meeting with Waleska or Waleska can hold their own. The plan update will be conducted beginning in July through September. The workshop will be open to the public, University, Lake Arrowhead and all who want to participate. The workshop will most likely be held at the Community Room at the Waleska Fire Station, if space is adequate for number of participants. The Workshop date will be announced at a later time.

#### **Consideration to Approve Budget Amendments**

City Manager Lou Stewart informed the two budget amendments were for SPLOST Funds. One was for the curb and gutter on Bartow Street to be paid from remaining funds from SPLOST II and the second was for the purchase of a new vehicle for the maintenance department from SPLOST IV funds. The budget amendments were approved unanimously.

#### **City Manager's Report**

Ms. Stewart informed that another Community Clean Up Day was held during Georgia Cities Week. The dumpster was placed at City Hall on Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. Waleska Citizens were allowed to bring household items for disposal at no charge.

Ms. Stewart also informed that Pittsburg Tank has been scheduled to make tank repairs, inspections and clean out on all three tanks. With no additional repairs, the estimated cost is \$7,750.00 dollars.

## **Council Remarks**

Councilwoman Fournier asked if Council and I wanted to begin the Yard of the Month award again this year. It was the consensus of Council to continue the award and nominate Ms. Ruby Smith for the month of May.



## **April 24, 2017 City Council Meeting**

### **Water System Report**

Mr. Stanley Townsend informed Council that he will be replacing the Canyon Ridge meter and has also installed several water taps in the last month.

### **City Manager's Report**

Ms. Lou Stewart reminded Council and I that the Community Clean Up Day will be held on Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. A dumpster will be placed by City Hall.

Ms. Stewart also reminded Council and I of the GMA Listening Session Meeting on Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at Canton City Hall.

Ms. Stewart informed that she had distributed a copy of a letter and ordinance from the City of Canton requesting that other Cities consider adopting a similar ordinance to discourage the expansion of "Puppy Mills" which produce puppies under conditions which are far from desirable; and to encourage the adoption of shelter and rescue animals. She asked that Council review and later discuss adding this to an agenda for adoption.

I would also like to share some items listed below with you that is taking place at Reinhardt University.

### **Reinhardt University Baccalaureate and Commencement set for May 4-5**

Reinhardt University will hold its Baccalaureate service to honor graduating seniors Wednesday, May 4, at 7 p.m. The event will be held in Flint Hall at the Falany Performing Arts Center. The 2017 Commencement ceremony is set for Thursday, May 5, at 10 a.m., at University Stadium.

Traffic volume in the areas of Ga. 140 and Ga. 108 will be increased as family members come to campus to celebrate the achievements of their graduates.

### **Reinhardt University Gears up for Golf Tournaments**

The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Dave Henritze Golf Classic will be held May 2 at Capital City Club-Crabapple. The annual tournament raises scholarship dollars for students attending Reinhardt University. In addition, the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual United Methodist Scholarship Golf Outing will be held May 17 at Bent Tree Golf Club in Jasper. For more information on either tournament, please visit [Reinhardt.edu/golfrsvp](http://Reinhardt.edu/golfrsvp).

Respectfully submitted,

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Mayor  
City of Waleska

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