



City of Waleska
Mayor's Newsletter
December 2017

Dear Citizens of Waleska:

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

December 4, 2017 City Council Meeting

Consideration to Approve Ordinance to change time of Council Meeting – 1st reading

Mayor and Council will approve to change the council meeting time to 6:30 p.m. starting at our January 8, 2018 meeting.

David Hanson addressed the Mayor and Council with some issues on Bartow St.

Mr. Hanson stated that he is not a resident of the city. He does a lot of walking up and down Bartow St. He reported that there were a lot of speeders traveling Bartow St., and he had reported to the Sheriff's office. He has asked twice if they could radar and was told by them that to get radar they would have to certify the street. Mr. Hanson said he was here today to recommend to us to make an appeal to the county to do something about this, instead of residents approaching the county.

Review quotes for Sidewalks

City Clerk/Manager Robyn Smith informed the Council that the low quote does not fix all sidewalks, but the high quote does. Ms. Smith also reported that this could be budgeted for next year. Councilwoman Lamb suggested that we look again at this at the meeting in January.

City Manager's Report

City Clerk/Manager Robyn Smith presented the Mayor and Council with the Committee, Boards, and Authorities list to review. We will vote on this at our January meeting. Ms. Smith reported that she had spoken with Turnipseed engineers to see where we stood with Pleasant Arbor, and he stated that EPD had requested a 24-hour pressure test that will be performed this week and should have results by next week.

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

RU Alumnus, MBA student Gordon Thigpen publishes book

Reinhardt University alumnus and current MBA student Gordon Thigpen '17 wrote and published "Raising the Bar: The Story of Reinhardt University Football" during his senior year. The book highlights the creation of Reinhardt University's football program from inception. The book is available for purchase in paperback and Kindle format on Amazon.

Reinhardt students sell CDs to help fund Italy trip

Reinhardt University School of Performing Arts students recorded a CD last spring to help fund their trip of a lifetime to Italy where they will have the opportunity to study under Vatican organist

Fabio Avolio and participate during Mass at St. Peter's Basilica. The student also will perform at several venues across Italy. Generously financed by Reinhardt Board of Trustees Chair Ken White '61, 100 percent of the CD sales will go toward the students' travel costs of \$3,420 apiece. CDs cost \$20 and are available for purchase at Reinhardt.edu/Italy. Reinhardt President Dr. Kina S. Mallard is leading a companion trip to support the students. Those interested can find more information at Reinhardt.edu/Italy.



The Reinhardt University football team finished out a tremendous season in second place after battling for the NAIA National Championship in Daytona Beach, Florida Dec. 16. The Eagles went into the national title game with a 12-0 record in head coach James Miller's first season leading the team. Congratulations to the Eagles on a well-played season and for their exceptional work in the classroom and in our community.

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Welcome 2018!

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Jones
Mayor
City of Waleska

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