



City of Waleska  
Mayor's Newsletter  
November 2016

Dear Citizens of Waleska:

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

**November 7, 2016 City Council Meeting**

**Approval of Amendment to Utilities Ordinance Section 26-62:  
Payment Due and Penalty – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

City Council approved the amendment to the Utilities Ordinance Section 26-62 concerning the payment due dates and the terminology of reconnection fee be changed to non-payment fee.

**City Manager's Report**

City Manager Lou Stewart informed Council that she and I had visited each merchant and ask if they would participate in lighting the front of their businesses. This would begin the week of Thanksgiving and will be judged for best decorations at the tree lighting on December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Ms. Stewart informed Council of a drainage issue from City property onto the property of a City resident. The cost to hire a contractor would be approximately \$3,500.00 dollars. After further discussion, it was the consensus of Council to try and maintain the issue in house.

**Mayor's Report**

I informed Council that I had been invited to attend a Leadership meeting with Barry Loudermilks office and several issues were discussed. I also informed that I along with others attended the GMA Legislative Dinner in Woodstock and the meeting was very informative.

**Council Remarks**

Councilwoman Lamb reminded Council that the tree lighting will be held on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. She suggested that our speaker be Dr. Kina Mallard and music be performed by Scott Bosier. Councilwoman Lamb also informed Mayor and Council that she would like to have the Christmas Party at her home again this year. The date was set for Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

## November 21, 2016 City Council Meeting

### Consideration to Approve 2017 Council Meeting Dates

City Council approved the 2017 Council Meeting Dates as follows:

January 9<sup>th</sup> & January 23<sup>rd</sup>

February 6<sup>th</sup> & February 20<sup>th</sup>

March 6<sup>th</sup> & March 20<sup>th</sup>

April 10<sup>th</sup> & April 24<sup>th</sup>

May 8<sup>th</sup> & May 22<sup>nd</sup>

June 5<sup>th</sup> & June 19<sup>th</sup>

July 3<sup>rd</sup> & July 17<sup>th</sup>

August 7<sup>th</sup> & August 21<sup>st</sup>

September 11<sup>th</sup> & September 25<sup>th</sup>

October 9<sup>th</sup> & October 23<sup>rd</sup>

November 6<sup>th</sup> & November 20<sup>th</sup>

December 4<sup>th</sup>

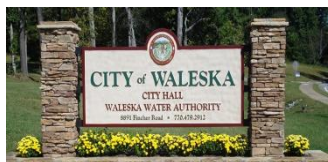
### City Manager's Report

Ms. Stewart informed that she had spoken with Stanley Townsend and he said the water tanks needed some minor repairs. He will contact Pittsburgh Tank to get a quote, which we will bring to Council for approval.

The City received the monthly water bill from the City of Canton and the usage was down approximately three (3) million gallons and the cost savings was approximately \$7,000.00 dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris Jones  
Mayor  
City of Waleska



**\*\*Please visit our website at [www.cityofwaleska.com](http://www.cityofwaleska.com) for Council Meeting Agendas, Minutes and other News Notices\*\***

The City of Waleska was notified of the Level 2 Drought Response and below is information concerning what is and what is not allowed during this time:



# Level 2 Drought Response – Residential Fact Sheet

November 17, 2016

Georgia’s Environmental Protection Division recently declared a Level 2 drought response for Metro Atlanta as severe drought conditions have extended into the fall. Between March and October, about 20 inches of rain fell in Atlanta, nearly 13 inches below average.

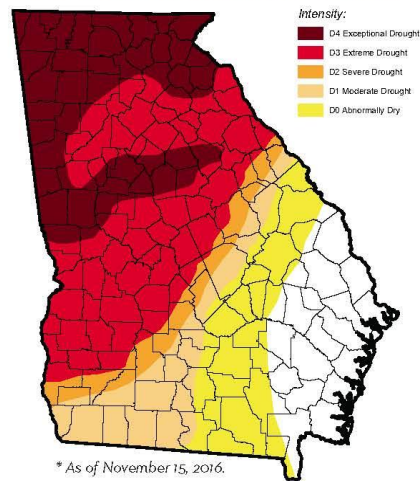
Experts predict dry, warm weather is likely to persist through the winter. This might be the beginning of a multiyear drought and we should conserve our water resources accordingly.

**We all must do our part to use water wisely.**

## Outdoor Watering Restrictions for lawns, gardens and trees

- Only as needed, up to **Twice a week** (even addresses and sites with no numbered address on Wednesday or Saturday and odd addresses on Thursday or Sunday)
- Only before **10 AM** and after **4 PM**

### State of Georgia Drought Conditions\*



\* As of November 15, 2016.

For current drought conditions and drought response information specific to your city or county visit [northgeorgiawater.org/drought-status/](http://northgeorgiawater.org/drought-status/)

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Icon: House with 'ODD' below			Icon: House with 'EVEN' below	Icon: House with 'ODD' below		Icon: House with 'EVEN' below

**Only water as needed.** In the fall and winter months, outdoor plants need less water. Water when plants show signs of distress (curling, wilting, graying foliage).

## What’s NOT Allowed

- » Washing streets, gutters, sidewalks and driveways
- » Ornamental uses, such as fountains and waterfalls
- » Washing vehicles (cars, boats, etc.) at home
- » Non-commercial washing or pressure washing
- » Charity, or non-commercial fund-raiser, car washes

## What’s Allowed\*

- » Irrigation of personal food gardens
- » Irrigation of new and replanted seed, turf or plants for a period of 30 days following installation
- » Watering with drip irrigation or soaker hose
- » Hand watering, including hoses with shut-off nozzle
- » Use of water withdrawn from private water wells

\*Not subject to the 4 pm to 10 am or twice a week restrictions

## Water Conservation Tips

- » Check and repair leaks inside and outside the home.
- » Shorten showers and turn off water when shaving or brushing teeth.
- » Fill dishwashers and washing machines. Make sure there is a full load every time.
- » Replace older toilets and shower heads with high efficiency models. If your home was built before 1993, you may qualify for a toilet rebate.
- » Choose efficient appliances. Look for EPA WaterSense and ENERGY STAR labeled products when shopping for new appliances and fixtures.
- » Scrape dishes before washing them. Avoid using the garbage disposal. It wastes a lot of water and can contribute to pipe clogs.

Find more conservation tips at [mydropcounts.org](http://mydropcounts.org)