



City of Waleska  
Mayor's Newsletter  
October 2016

Dear Citizens of Waleska:

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

**October 3, 2016 City Council Meeting**

**Approval of Compression Brake Ordinance – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

City Attorney Dana Thompson distributed the final version of the Compression Brake Ordinance for Mayor and Council review. Ms. Thompson informed Council that the Ordinance had been revised to eliminate the wording of jake brakes to engine/compression brakes. The consensus of Council was to move forward with placing this Ordinance on the October 17<sup>th</sup> agenda for the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and approval.

**Water Report**

Mr. Stanley Townsend informed Mayor and Council that he had completed the project on Pittman Lane. He further informed that he felt the water loss issue from the City of Canton had been identified and the difference in water usage should go down on the next billing.

**City Manager Report**

Lou Stewart informed Mayor and Council that GMA will be holding their Annual Legislative Dinner Meeting on October 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. located at The Chambers at City Center in Woodstock for those who wish to attend.

**October 17, 2016 City Council Meeting**

**Approval of Engine/Compression Brake Ordinance – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

The second reading and final approval of the Ordinance was approved by City Council.

**Approval of Amendment to Utilities Ordinance Section 26-62:  
Payment Due and Penalty – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

This amendment will change the wording from reconnection fee to non-payment fee for all account holders who are past due. Mayor and Council were in agreement of the first reading of the

amendment. This item will be placed on the November 7<sup>th</sup> meeting agenda for second reading and approval.



#### **Presentation of Proclamation – Ms. Gina Nelson**

Mayor Jones read and presented a Proclamation to Ms. Gina Nelson for an act of kindness in helping another citizen in need due to an automobile accident. The citizen, Ms. Ola Beatrice Poole was also presented a copy of the Proclamation.

#### **Approval of Budget Amendment**

This budget amendment was approved to provide for the new state mandated salary for exempt personnel, which will begin December 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **City Managers Report**

Ms. Lou Stewart informed Council that North Metro will set a dumpster for Community Clean Up Day on Thursday, December 29<sup>th</sup>. She also contacted the contractor to install the Christmas lights the week of Thanksgiving and property tax bills are still scheduled to be mailed out at the end of October.

#### **Council Comments**

City Council, employees and myself will be served dinner by Cecil and Edyth Miller with SAM, Senior Adult Ministries from Waleska United Methodist Church on Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. prior to the Council Meeting. Everyone felt this was a very generous expression of kindness.

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

Reinhardt University's Office of Student Activities will host a special Veterans Day event Nov. 11 at 11 am. at the Bannister Glasshouse. The event is open to the public. It will feature Jim Lindenmayer, director of the Cherokee County Homeless Veteran Center, the Cherokee High School ROTC color guard and Reinhardt's School of the Performing Arts. Reinhardt President Dr. Kina S. Mallard will give a welcome and Student Body President Katie Purcell will introduce the speakers. For more information, visit [www.reinhardt.edu/veteransday](http://www.reinhardt.edu/veteransday).

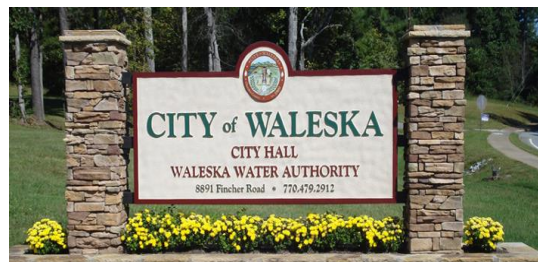
Reinhardt's Board of Trustees recently welcomed Cherokee County natives Drs. Jerry and Jeff Dobson and Dr. Austin Flint to the board. The Dobson brothers are RU alumni and have gone on to have successful careers in academia. Dr. Flint has owned a farm in Waleska for several decades and has practiced medicine in North Georgia for 50 years. For more information, visit [www.reinhardt.edu/newtrustees](http://www.reinhardt.edu/newtrustees).

The Falany Performing Arts Center on the campus of Reinhardt University has a great line-up for the 2016-17, including some great shows planned through the end of the year. For more information, visit [www.reinhardt.edu/fpac](http://www.reinhardt.edu/fpac).

Reinhardt University Athletics inaugural Clay Shooting Classic at Garland Mountain Sporting Clays Oct. 14 was a smashing success! Eighteen teams enjoyed the clay shooting tournament all to benefit student-athlete scholarships at Reinhardt. Visit [www.reinhardt.edu/shootingclassic](http://www.reinhardt.edu/shootingclassic).

Respectfully submitted,

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City of Waleska



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