



**CITY OF WALESKA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
August 3, 2020**

Present: Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor
Kristi Bosch, Pro Tem
Lee Lamb, Councilmember
Paul Ice, Councilmember
Vickie Boswell, Councilmember
Jon Costales, Councilmember
Robyn Smith, City Clerk/Manager
John Meier, City Attorney
Stanley Townsend, Townsend Pipeline
Lamar Rogers, Turnipseed Engineers

Absent: Dennis Cochran, Councilmember

Item 1: Call to Order
Mayor Mary Helen Lamb, called the meeting to order with a quorum present.

Item 2: Pledge to the Flag
Mayor Lamb led the Pledge to the Flag

Item 3: Review and Approval of Minutes from July 20, 2020 Council Meeting
Mayor Lamb asked the Councilmembers to review the minutes for the regular schedule meeting. Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to approve the minutes. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Bosch seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb and approved by all members present.

Item 4: Yard of the Month
Councilmember Bosch and Councilmember Boswell recommended Trudy Moran at 7115 Reinhardt College Pkwy for yard of the month.

Item 5: Discussion of Service Delivery Strategy
It was discussed that we need to get the water map done, so that we can sign the SDS forms 2. It was discussed how long it would take to get all the administrative work in order, September 15th was the date we decided could be done. All customers with the City of Waleska will be refunded their deposit

less their final bill. City Manager Robyn Smith informed council that a letter and an application will be sent to all customers at Canyon Ridge.

Item 6: Water System Report

Councilmember Lee Lamb asked if Chris Lumpkin had been out to measure. City Manager Robyn Smith reported that he had, and it was 2133 linear ft for McCurry Trail. After much discussion, council agreed to do a budget amendment for \$50,000 in SPLOST to pay for this project. The cost is estimated to be \$24,000. Councilmember Bosch recommended that we budget every year \$50,000 in SPLOST for small projects like this and create a policy that we can go by each time.

Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to approve the water lines at McCurry Trail at a cost of no more than \$24,000, and to put a policy in place for \$50,000 for small projects. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lee Lamb seconded by Councilmember Bosch and approved by all members present.

Council discussed the meter issue at Pea Ridge Rd. After much discussion, Stanley Townsend said he would rather install a meter in the driveway, and leave the other meter, council agreed.

Stanley Townsend reported that the leak at the cemetery will be starting soon, that he has a crew ready.

Lamar Rogers reported that we received the DOT permit on South Hwy 140, now we are waiting on the all the comments from Cherokee County. Then the work may begin.

Mayor Lamb asked about Sardis Cir/Theodore Cox project to install lines that was budgeted for this year. She asked to keep this on the list to do this year.

Stanley Townsend reported that they tried to work on the leak at Payne's but its best to wait until the project starts.

City Manager asked the attorney John Meier about the letter that needs to be sent to DOT about the grouting on the project at Lower Burris. City Manager will get John Meier the names for the letter to be sent to.

Mayor Lamb asked City Manager Robyn Smith about the email from Margaret Stallings about Land Rd and Theodore Cox where 400 acres are that there would be a conference call, but no one ever called the City Manager to be on the call, as well as the Bartow St. alpaca farm and cabins.

Item 7: City Manager Report

City Manager Robyn Smith reported back that penalties and disconnects were to be discussed again in August. After much discussion it was agreed by council that we would start in September with penalties and disconnects. They asked the city manager to post on Facebook, website and on their bills.

Item 8: City Attorney's Report

City Attorney talked to Councilmember Ice about the water easements. We have different corporations to contact.

About CARES Act, you cannot use it for anything that has been budgeted for.

Item 9: Mayor's Report
Mayor Lamb reported that the old R.M. Moore school will now be Abbington Hall of Waleska.

Item 10: Council Remarks
Councilmember Bosch asked that the finance office at Cherokee County wanted to know about the fire tax to be billed this year. City Manager and the Mayor have a meeting with Geoff Morton on Wednesday, to discuss this.

Item 11: Adjourn to Executive Session – Litigation
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to move into executive session. A motion was made by Councilmember Lee Lamb, seconded by Councilmember Bosch, and approved by all members present.

Item 12: Adjourn Executive Session to Regular Council Meeting
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to adjourn the executive session and reconvene the regular council meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Lee Lamb, seconded by Councilmember Bosch, and approved by all members present.

Item 13: Adjourn Regular Council Meeting
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to approve UWS Inc. as the contractor for the GEFA project 2019012 for Hwy 140. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch and seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb and approved by all members present. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch to pay Townsend Pipeline \$50,000 for inspecting lines on the GEFA 2019012 Hwy 140 project and have an employee in the city limits in case they are needed on site, seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, and approved by all members present.
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to adjourn the council meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Lee Lamb, seconded by Councilmember Bosch, and approved by all members present.

APPROVED THIS 17th DAY OF August, 2020.

Mary Helen Lamb
Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor

Attest: Robyn Smith
Robyn Smith, City Clerk