



**CITY OF WALESKA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 7, 2018**

Present: Doris Jones, Mayor
Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor Pro Tem
Paul Ice, Councilman
Jon Costales, Councilman
Lee Lamb, Councilman
Robyn Smith, City Clerk/Manager
Dana Thompson, City Attorney
Stanley Townsend, Townsend Pipeline

Item 1: Call to Order
Mayor Jones called the meeting to order with a quorum present.

Item 2: Pledge to the Flag
The Pledge to the Flag was led by Mayor Jones.

Item 3: Jim Swanson & Troup 125 Scouts will be observing the meeting for a Communication Badge
Mayor Jones recognized Troup 125 and commended them for this accomplishment.

Item 4: Consideration to Approve April 23, 2018 Minutes
Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the April 23, 2018 minutes. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb, and seconded by Councilmember Ice, and approved by all members present.

Item 5: Review Proposed Budget
City Clerk Robyn Smith reported changes that she had made since the last meeting, which included moving the roof repair from SPLOST to Water Fund, putting the GEFA Debt Service back in SPLOST from Water Fund at the suggestion of the CPA. In speaking with the Mayor on this matter, it was suggested that the city postpone moving the debt service from the Water Fund until it would be financially easier to do so. After bringing it the attention of Council, Council was in agreement with this also. Sidewalks were moved from Water Fund to SPLOST.

Item 6: Review Comprehensive Plan for Waleska
The Mayor, Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb and City Clerk Robyn Smith met with Margaret Stallings on May 1st to discuss the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Waleska. City Clerk Robyn Smith recommended to Mayor and Council four projects that could be started, 1) Walking Trail behind City Hall. City Clerk Robyn Smith will

contact Cherokee Parks and Recreation to find out how to move forward with this. Project. 2) Weddings. Mayor and Council discussed doing weddings again on Friday from 9-3 by appointment and paid in advance. The cost will be \$100, which would cover facility use and officiant's fee. Mayor and Council discussed buying a gazebo for those who want to have weddings outside. This gazebo will be put on the City property next to City Hall and would cost approximately \$3,500. A motion to approve the gazebo price of \$3,500 was made by Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb, and seconded by Councilmember Costales, and approved by all members present. 3) Mayor and Council discussed offering shredding days to our community and agreed to offer the service at least twice a year. 4) Jon Costales mentioned doing a Frisbee disc off, he will get more information. 5) Assigning a liaison for City of Waleska to talk with Reinhardt University when ideas arise. A motion to appoint Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb to serve as liaison was made by Councilmember Costales, and seconded by Councilmember Ice, and approved by all members present. The Comprehensive Plan was also approved by all members present.

Item 7: Water System Report

Stanley Townsend reported that he hopes the Pleasant Arbor project will start this week.

Item 8: City Managers Report

City Manager Robyn Smith reported that she will run the last budget report from our old system at the end of May, and nothing else will be put in the old system for GL. We will go live on GL June 18th. City Manager said that since there were no adjustments to the budget from Mayor and Council, we could hold the public hearing and adopt the budget on May 21, 2018; the same was approved by Mayor and Council.

Item 9: City Attorney's Report

City Attorney Dana Thompson reported on the Waste Management contract that was sent back to us with some revisions. Mayor and Council agreed to those revisions.

Item 10: Mayor's Report

No Report.

Item 11: Council Remarks

Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb reported that she attended the Georgia Power luncheon held by Joe Brownlee. It was very informative. She reported there is an app for Ga Power that customers can download on their smart phone and report outages, street lights out, and it will notify you when your power has been restored. Mr. Brownlee reported that your meter will tell Ga Power when you have no power. This is a great app to get and its free!

Item 12: Adjournment

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Ice, and seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, and approved by all members present.

(Signatures on following page)

APPROVED THIS 22nd DAY OF May, 2018.

Doris A. Jones
Doris A. Jones, Mayor

Attest:

Robyn Smith
Robyn Smith, City Clerk