



**CITY OF WALESKA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 16, 2017**

Present: Doris Jones, Mayor
Hill Cochran, Mayor Pro-Tem
Edna Cook, Councilwoman
Curtis Endicott, Councilman
Melissa Fournier, Councilwoman
Paul Ice, Councilman
Mary Helen Lamb, Councilwoman
Dana Thompson, City Attorney
Lou Stewart, City Clerk/Manager

Not Present: 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: Consideration to Approve December 5, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the December 5, 2016 Council Meeting minutes. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilwoman Fournier and approved by all members present.

Item 4: Approval of Independent Contractor Agreement – Jason Townsend

City Manager Lou Stewart informed this was the agreement for Jason Townsend to continue to read water meters on a contract basis. Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the agreement. A motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilwoman Cook and approved by all members present.

Item 5: Approval of Car Wash Ordinance – 1st Reading

City Manager Lou Stewart informed that she had completed an EPD report that has a section for water conservation. It includes a plan developed by the Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District which mandates the City to adopt a car wash ordinance. The ordinance requires certain car washes to recycle the water they utilize. This was the first reading of this ordinance. The second reading will be held on January 23, 2017.

Item 6: Water System Report

No report was given.

Item 7: City Manager's Report

Ms. Lou Stewart discussed with Mayor and Council the schedule of the first Community Clean Up Day for 2017. It was the consensus of Council to set the date on Thursday, February 23, 2017.

Ms. Stewart informed Mayor and Council of their Ethic Reporting which is due anytime between January 1 and July 1, 2017. If your term is up for election this year, the form can be completed at the time of qualifying. She further informed that the approval of qualifying fees will need to be on the January 23rd agenda for approval in order to advertise in the paper before February 1st.

Item 8: City Attorney's Report

No report was given.

Item 9: Mayor's Report

No report was given.

Item 10: Council Remarks

Councilman Ice requested that we ask Cherokee County to add additional picnic tables at Cline Park. Councilwoman Lamb also suggested that we discuss with the County the consideration to install a fence where balls will not go into the road on Bartow Street.

Item 11: Executive Session

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to move into executive session at 7:30 p.m. A motion was made by Councilman Endicott, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn the executive session and reconvene the Council Meeting at 7:50 p.m. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilman Endicott and approved by all members present.

Item 11: Adjournment:

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cook, seconded by Councilwoman Fournier and approved by all members present.

APPROVED ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2017.

Doris A. Jones, Mayor

Attest:

Lou Stewart, City Clerk