



**CITY OF WALESKA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
January 23, 2017**

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

Not Present: Melissa Fournier, Councilwoman

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 January 16, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the January 16, 2017 Council Meeting minutes. A motion was made by Councilman Endicott, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

Item 4: Approval of Sign Application - Falany Center - Reinhardt University

City Manager Lou Stewart informed the application submitted from Reinhardt University was for the replacement of an existing sign at the Falany Center. The size will remain the same as well as the wording and lighted message board portion of the sign. The existing poles will be re-used for the placement of the new sign. Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the sign application. A motion was made by Councilwoman Cook, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

Item 5: Approval of Car Wash Ordinance – 2nd Reading

Mayor Jones asked for the second reading and approval of the Car Wash Ordinance. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Cochran, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

Item 6: Approval of Qualifying Fees – General Election

City Manager Lou Stewart informed Council that 2017 was an election year for three of our Council Members, Post 1, 2, and 3. It is state mandated that the qualifying fees be published in the paper before February 1st. The qualifying fee for each Post will be \$69.00. A motion to approve the election qualifying fee was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilman Endicott and approved by all members present.

Item 7: Water System Report

Mr. Stanley Townsend informed Council there were no issues at this time. A previous low pressure problem has been resolved by Cherokee County elevating the pressure at the water tank.

Item 7: City Manager's Report

Ms. Lou Stewart discussed with Mayor and Council the need for discussion concerning the 2018 SPLOST disbursements. She asked that Council be considering any projects that they would like to be funded from SPLOST. The City will need to be prepared to discuss the categories with Cherokee County that we want list in the Intergovernmental Agreement for the SPLOST Referendum.

Ms. Stewart also informed that she had requested quotes for State Contract prices from Alan Vigil Ford to purchase a new truck through allocated SPLOST funds for the maintenance department. She also discussed the option of purchasing a Polaris ATV for towing the trailer with equipment for street cleanup. Ms. Stewart informed Council that she will try to have documentation for Council review by the February 20th Council Meeting.

Item 8: City Attorney's Report

No report was given.

Item 9: Mayor's Report

Mayor Jones informed Council that she had spoken with Bryan Reynolds from Cherokee County concerning Cline Park. They discussed the installation of the fence and additional picnic tables. Mr. Reynolds will contact Mayor Jones with more information once he researches the cost of our requests.

Item 10: Council Remarks

No remarks.

Item 11: Executive Session

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to move into executive session at 7:20 p.m. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilman Cochran and approved by all members present.

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn the executive session and reconvene the Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m. A motion was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilman Cochran and approved by all members present.

Item 11: Adjournment:

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. A motion was made by Councilman Endicott, seconded by Councilwoman Lamb and approved by all members present.

APPROVED ON THE _____ DAY OF _____, 2017.

Doris A. Jones, Mayor

Attest:

Lou Stewart, City Clerk