



**CITY OF WALESKA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 26, 2016**

Present: Doris Jones, Mayor
Hill Cochran, Mayor Pro-Tem
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
Edna Cook, 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 September 12, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the September 12, 2016 Council Meeting minutes. A motion to approve was made by Councilwoman Lamb, seconded by Councilman Cochran and approved by all members present.

Item 4: Approval of Jake Brake Ordinance – 1st Reading

City Attorney Dana Thompson distributed the final version of the Jake Brake Ordinance for Mayor and Council review. Councilwoman Lamb asked if adopted can it be enforced. Ms. Thompson informed that it could be enforced as any other ordinance. Signs prohibiting the use of Jake Brakes will be placed on Hwy 140. It was the consensus of Council to move forward with placing this ordinance on the October 3rd agenda for the 2nd reading and approval.

Item 5: Water Report

Mr. Townsend was not present. City Manager Lou Stewart informed Mayor and Council that Mr. Townsend is still working on trying to find the water loss on the City of Canton side and will report any new findings at the October 3rd Council meeting.

Item 6: City Manager Report

Lou Stewart informed Mayor and Council that Auditors will begin preliminary work on the 2015-16 audit on Wednesday, September 28th and will continue through Friday, September 30th. The full audit will begin the first week in October.

She also informed that the property tax digest had been received from the County and bills should be mailed out by the end of October and will be due by December 31st.

Item 7: City Attorney Report

No report.

Item 8: Mayors Report

No report.

Item 9: Council Remarks

Councilman Cochran informed that he had looked at the area where the crosswalk is located from Bartow Street across Reinhardt College Parkway. He feels there is enough room to relocate the crossing sign for more visibility. City Manager Lou Stewart informed that she will follow up on the placement of the sign.

Councilman Cochran informed that Council had discussed last year to have the Christmas lights installed earlier this year. They requested Ms. Stewart contact the contractor to have them installed the week of Thanksgiving.

Councilwoman Lamb informed that the Cook-Out held on September 15th for all Police, Fire and EMS personnel in respect of 9-11 was a great success.

Item 10: Executive Session

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to move into executive session at 7:15 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. 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 Council Meeting at 7:20 p.m. A motion was made by Councilman Cochran, seconded by Councilman Ice and approved by all members present.

APPROVED BY ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2016.

Doris A. Jones, Mayor

Attest:

Lou Stewart, City Clerk