



**CITY OF WALESKA  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
February 24, 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  
Stanley Townsend, Townsend Pipeline  
John Meier, City Attorney  
Lamar Roger, 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 February 3, 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 Boswell, and approved by all members present.

**Item 4: Water System Report**

Stanley Townsend reported that the Lower Burris line has been transferred over and working.

Lamar Rogers reported that the Hwy 140 GEFA can't start due to SDS. DOT will not approve a permit. We did get an extension for the loan for a year.

**Item 5: City Managers Report**

City Manager Robyn Smith reported that Dean Woodall wants to set meter on Land Rd because of DOT permit. The council had already made the decision that we will not set a meter except on the front of property.

City Manager handed out monthly financial reports and Council was pleased with the reports.

Reported that she had closed the GF and SF from South State Bank.

**Item 6: City Attorneys Report**

Attorney John Meier had these things to report

**Overlapping Water Service Area**

- a) Reported that he had done a follow up email to Bobby Dyer about the overlapping water service area, and hasn't received a response

**Service Delivery Strategy Agreement**

- a) He also reported that the County declined to accept the Resolution 2020-02, so that is not in effect.

**Smith, Welch, Webb and White**

- a) This could be more of an issue depending on this firm's level of involvement.
- b) May 6, 2019, Waleska hired this firm as Special Counsel for Waleska in connection with matters, including, but not limited to, review, preparation, negotiation and litigation of the SDS, and other related matters.
- c) Fee Agreement – City agreed to pay Special Counsel \$500 flat fee. However, the same Agreement states that “City agrees to compensate Special Counsel for services rendered (including expenses) as of the date of discharge by the paying the fair and reasonable value of such services and expenses in accordance with the City's per capita allocation. The City reserves the absolute right to discharge Special Counsel at any time. The City must provide Special Counsel with a written explanation itemizing all reasons for the discharge.
- d) Resolution 2019-09 (Section 3 – Representation of the City to Special Counsel) “The City represents that it will pay legal fees, expert witness fees, and all of the cost of preparation, negotiation and litigation incurred by Special Counsel in accordance with the signed fee agreement.

**HighPointe Subdivision**

- a) No update or known issues. Lamar Rogers reported that the only movement is moving dirt and it will probably be April before they need water.

**Subdivision Water Service Request**

- a) Need to follow up with Margaret Stallings to find out if she was able to include the safeguards discussed in the meeting.



**CCWSA**

- a) MOU – New request to relinquish rights along Fincher Rd. No resolution for this.

**Item 12: Mayors Report**  
No Report.

**Item 13: Council Remarks**  
Councilmember Boswell reported that she had received pamphlets from the Census if anyone was interested. Councilmember Bosch asked if anyone had received emails from Billy Jo Parker, all reported they had.

**Item 14: Executive Session for Litigation and Personnel**  
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to adjourn into executive session. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch, seconded by Councilmember Costales, and approved by all members present.

Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to adjourn the executive session and reconvene the Council meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Lee Lamb, seconded by Councilmember Costales, and approved by all members present.

Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to do a 3% raise across the board this year and revisit next year. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Lee Lamb, and seconded by Councilmember Boswell, 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 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF March, 2020.

Mary Helen Lamb  
Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor

Attest:

Robyn Smith  
Robyn Smith, City Clerk

