

CITY OF WALESKA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES March 9, 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
John Meier, City Attorney

Absent: Dennis Cochran, Councilmember, Stanley Townsend, Townsend Pipeline, Lamar Rogers, Turnipseed Engineers

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 24, 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 with the one change. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Boswell, seconded by Councilmember Costales, and approved by all members present.

Ms. Jody Conley presented to Mayor and Council that she would like to move the Waleska Farmers Market to Waleska. After much discussion, a motion was made from Councilmember Bosch to hold the Waleska Farmers Market at the Gazebo every Thursday from 9:00-1:00 from May 14th – September 24th, based on City of Waleska insurance, seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, and approved by all member present.

Item 4: Water System Report

No Report.

Item 5: City Managers Report

City Manager Robyn Smith reported that Joe Bohannon wanted to purchase 2.7 acres that the City of Waleska owns. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch to deny the purchase of 2.7 acres due to the City of Waleska may be expanding at a later date, seconded by Councilmember Boswell, approved by all members present.

City Manager Robyn Smith also reported that Lee Lucas of 10601 Fincher Rd wanted to connect to his Aunt's line on her side of the property, because due to the SDS agreement the City of Waleska can't set any meters on state highway. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch to deny his request, due to the fact we don't connect two lines together from one meter, seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, approved by all members present.

Item 6: City Attorneys Report

Attorney John Meier had these things to report

Overlapping Water Service Area

a) No word from anyone on the WSA. Recommend that more formal notice process be used to manage request to Canton. Track efforts for purposes of possible damage mitigation.

A motion was made by Councilmember Costales for the Mayor to contact Mayor Grant at City of Canton and follow up with a letter to City of Canton's Mayor and Council, seconded by Councilmember Bosch, and approved by all members present.

Service Delivery Strategy Agreement

a) Unaware of any changes.

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 it, 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. Some concerns expressed but details are not known at this time. City Manager Reported from Lamar Rogers that nothing else has happened.

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. No Resolution from CCWSA has been presented for this.
- Item 12: Mayors Report
 No Report.
- Item 13: Council Remarks

Councilmember Lee Lamb reminded council that the next SDS meeting open to the public is March 25th at 6pm in Woodstock.

Item 14: Adjourn Regular Council Meeting

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 13th DAY OF April , 2020.

Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor

Attest:

Robyn Smith, City Clerk