



**CITY OF WALESKA  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
February 28, 2022**

**Present:** Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor  
Lee Lamb, Pro Tem  
Kristi Bosch, Councilmember  
Dennis Cochran, Councilmember  
Jon Costales, Councilmember  
Lamar Rogers, Turnipseed Engineers  
Vickie Boswell, Councilmember  
Robyn Smith, City Clerk/Manager  
Stanley Townsend, Townsend Pipeline  
John Meier, City Attorney

**Absent:** William Taylor, 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

**City Manager asked to amend the agenda to approve amended election IGA. Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to amend agenda, a motion was made by Councilmember Bosch, seconded by Councilmember Cochran, and approved by all members present.**

**Josh Rampley spoke to Mayor and council about water lines on Rampley Trail. After discussion, letting him know that there are many areas in the county that does not have fire protection or county water, it was decided that he would be on our list for a new line, but there would be no time limit to him. Meters would have to be purchased before lines were laid. Right now, there are 6 people that said they would tie in. Councilmember Cochran explained that we want to run water wherever they will let us. We are in the business for water. Stanley reported that just last year CCWSA relinquished the Rampley area to City of Waleska, and there is**

more future development to come and an 8" or 10" needs to be installed. For the record we do have a great working relationship with the county.

Ned Castleberry spoke to council about different issues he sees.

- He mentioned that projects that were going on in different cities around the county that a certain family didn't give a ---- about those cities.
- Mentioned that Max Bacon was ahead of the curve and annexed a lot of people into the city. A lot of people were opposed.
- The outer perimeter was shot down by Sonny Purdue and admitted that he made a big mistake later
- City of Waleska should be appealing to drive into the city and not have some of these houses looking like garbage, trashy residents.
- Look at the data, look at the data, look at the data
- You don't want the round a bout (as he pointed to the Mayor), you complain about the traffic don't you, Mayor replied yea sure everyone does. Nice entrance big sign up there Welcome to City of Waleska. The girl that got hit might could have been avoided if there was a round about. The DOT said they would do, so why is everybody opposed to it. Mayor Lamb said because DOT isn't funding it, Mr. Castleberry said yea they are. Councilmember Cochran went on the explain that at the meeting DOT first said it was Federally funded but at the end they said because there wasn't enough accidents they wouldn't fund it, so wouldn't cover our need.
- Mr. Castleberry went on to say that he is now retired and plans to get more involved in the city.
- Need to annex stuff into the city. Turned out to be a win win for everybody, but we need to do something about traffic. Councilmember Bosch quoted that DOT said it took off 5 seconds off wait time. DOT will be here March 21<sup>st</sup> to make a presentation to Mayor and Council.
- Tax base in city is very weak, why don't we annex more into the city. City Manager said they have to want to be annexed. The city has to offer 3 things to be annexed. Councilmember Cochran said that we had one person that wanted to annex, then when he died the family wanted to deannex which the council denied. City Manager reported that the builder on Cable rd wanted to annex but we didn't offer enough services for residents. The round about would take 5 years to install. The big round about is the only one that will accommodate our area.
- Mr. Castleberry stated this, I'm going to say something that's a little ticklish.....I think that having your son on council is conflict of interest, City Manager stated that he was voted in and you saying that someone that is living out of the city that its ok and by saying that its not honorable. He stated that we can debate that. Councilmember Bosch asked are you with her everyday? How do

you know she wasn't living there, and he said he knew someone else was living there.

- Going to do more research on the bylaws here, things really need to be looked at. Tax base is really weak.
- Mayor Lamb stated that to move on or the conversation is over and Mr. Castleberry stated that sounds like a real democrat.

**Item 3: Review and Approval of Minutes from February 7, 2022 Meeting**  
Mayor Mary Helen Lamb asked for a motion to approve the minutes from February 7, 2022. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch, seconded by Councilmember Costales, and approved by all members present.

**Item 4: Review and Approve Special Called Minutes from February 14, 2022**  
Mayor Mary Helen Lamb asked for a motion to approve the minutes from February 14, 2022 Special Called Meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch, seconded by Councilmember Cochran, and approved by all members present.

**Item 5: Review and Approve Resolution for Distilled Spirits Referendum**  
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2022-01 for Distilled spirits Referendum and have Cherokee County elections hold our election. A motion was made by Councilmember Cochran, seconded by Councilmember Bosch, and approved by all members present.

**A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch to approve the revised IGA from Cherokee County Elections for the county to hold our elections, seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, approved by all members present.**

**Item 6: Review and Approve Quote for Cross Connection Control (backflow program)**  
Mayor Mary Helen Lamb asked for a motion to approve quote for cross connection. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, and approved by all members present.

**Item 7: Water System Report**

- Bartow St is almost completed
- UWS sent a quote to Stanley for serviced on Fincher at \$1750 each, 20ft on ¾", 30ft on 1", and clearing as needed.
- Nothing on Pump Station yet.
- Councilmember Lee Lamb asked about new meters being put in and Stanley said they have put in a few.
- Canyon Ridge Phase 2 has 20psi, we will need to put in a booster.
- Lamar Rogers reported that we were awarded \$845,000 to replace services on Fincher Rd. and is waiting for word on how to apply.

**Item 8: City Manager Report**  
No Report.

**Item 9: City Attorney's Report**  
Attorney John Meier reported that with the referendum we will have to change the zoning after it passes and change the ordinance. Councilmember Bosch wants this on the next agenda and maybe have Margaret Stallings at next meeting to help us.

**Item 10: Mayor's Report**  
No Report.

**Item 11: Council Remarks**  
Councilmember Cochran expresses that it was time for the Attorney John Meier address the homeowners about the issues at 7045 Reinhardt College Pkwy, and 6171 Reinhardt College pkwy.

**Adjourn Regular Council Meeting**  
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to adjourn the council meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch, seconded by Councilmember Costales, and approved by all members present.

**Reconvene back into Regular Council Meeting**  
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to reconvene back to the council meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch, seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, and approved by all members present.

**Item 12: Reconvene back into Executive Session – Real Estate**  
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to enter Executive Session. A motion was made by Councilmember Cochran, seconded by Councilmember Bosch and approved by all members present.

**Adjourn Executive Session to return to Regular Council Meeting.**  
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to adjourn Executive Session and return to regular council meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Bosch, seconded by Councilmember Cochran, and approved by all members present.

**Adjourn Regular Council Meeting**  
Mayor Lamb asked for a motion to adjourn regular council meeting. A motion was made by Councilmember Cochran, seconded by Councilmember Bosch, and approved by all members present.

APPROVED THIS 7<sup>th</sup> DAY OF March, 2022

Mary Helen Lamb  
Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor

Attest:

Robyn Smith

Robyn Smith, City Clerk