

CITY OF WALESKA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES August 6, 2018

Present: Doris Jones, Mayor

Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor Pro Tem

Paul Ice, Councilmember
Jon Costales, Councilmember
Lee Lamb, Councilmember
Kristi Bosch, Councilmember
Robyn Smith, City Clerk/Manager
Dana Thompson, City Attorney

Stanley Townsend, Townsend Pipeline Construction

Lamar Rogers, Ben Turnipseed Engineers

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 July 23, 2018 Public Hearing Minutes

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the July 23, 2018 minutes. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb, and seconded by Councilmember Costales, and approved by all members present.

Item 4: Consideration to Approve July 23, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the July 23, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Bosch, and seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, and approved by all members present.

Item 5: Consideration to Approve Resolution 2018-09 to make August 11 811 Day

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the Resolution 2018-09 to make August 11 811 Day. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Bosch, and seconded by Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb, and approved by all members present.

Lori Jones, the chairperson this year for promoting 811 before you dig, was present for the signing of the Resolution.

Item 6: Consideration to Approve Leak Adjustment Policy

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve Leak Adjustment Policy. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb, and seconded by Councilmember Bosch, and approved by all members present.

Item 7: Consideration to Approve quote from American Pride Electric LLC

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve quote from American Pride Electric LLC. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Bosch, and seconded by Councilmember Costales, and approved by all members present.

Item 12: Water System Report

Stanley Townsend reported last time quote for control panel at \$25,000 found the quote for \$26,818. Water was out again at Silver Creek due to the panel. Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the additional cost of \$1818. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb to approve the additional \$1818 for the control panel, and seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb, and approved by all members present.

Lamar Rogers reported that Scada has been ordered from previous meeting.

Mayor Jones reported to Stanley Townsend she had a call about the leak at Dollar General. Lamar Rogers asked to speak on this and reported that in 2011, Turnipseed engineers had recommended replacement of this line. When the rate study was done last year, it was shown that the city was not charging and saving money sufficient for major water system improvements. Lamar Rogers reported that if replacement of the line was approved now it would be the first of year to start. Lamar Rogers looked at the leak, and while it needed repairing in the short term, the line will have to be replaced. The city could apply for a GEFA loan. The recommendation from Lamar Rogers is to get a loan to replace from Hollis Garage to just short of the 4-way stop. The new line will lay next to the existing line. The cost of replacing the line is \$615,000, in 2011 it was \$360,00 to replace. Councilmember Lee Lamb suggested that we go to the 4-way intersection. Lamar Rogers will get another cost for this by next meeting. There will be one lane open during construction. The suggestion to solve this problem for the time being until we can get a loan is to go through the sidewalk at Dollar General side and clamp the service line to stop the leak. Council agreed to start on the Dollar General leak as soon as possible.

Councilmember Bosch reported that the city's obligation for the relocation of lines at 140 and Lower Burris is the \$150,000 that had been budgeted for.

Lamar Rogers reported that the ground under part of the sidewalk at Grady St. is eroding, probably due to a hole in the pipe, and that the area could have been slowly eroding for two years.

Lamar Rogers reported that in order keep drainage behind City Hall off Margaret Jackson's yard the city would have to put in a storm drain to take care of the water coming off the hill. To keep the gravel out, the city would have to pave the area. The cost to do the storm drain would be least \$50,000.

Item 13: City Manager's Report

City Manager reported to council that the previous budget report did not include revenues, because she is working out of two systems, but the current budget report is correct. Revenues in the new system from daily deposits are being put in manually.

Item 14: City Attorney's Report

Council has asked her to look at annexation for the two properties we discussed at the last meeting. One is contiguous, and one is not. There are several ways to annex property. City manager reported that she had talked to Margaret Stallings and when contractors come to the County to get permits for subdivision she tells them what water system they are on, and mentions the possibility of annexation into the city.

Item 15: Mayor's Report

Mayor Jones reported that she had several calls about the traffic at the 4-way and suggested we call DOT to do a count of the traffic. After lengthy discussion Mayor and Council decided this is not feasible to make major changes to that intersection.

Item 16: Council Remarks

No Report.

Item 18: Adjournment

Mayor Jones asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Councilmember Mary Helen Lamb, seconded by Councilmember Lee Lamb and approved by all members present

APPROVED THIS DAY OF August, 2018.

Doris A. Jones, Mayor

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