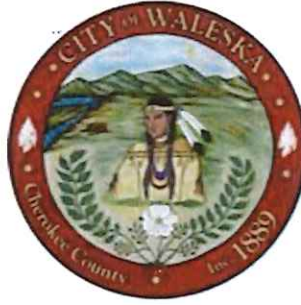




CITY OF WALESKA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

September 21, 2026

6:30 p.m.

Present:

Mary Helen Lamb – Mayor

Walt Cook – Councilmember

Eddie Blackwell – Councilmember

Peter Brown – Councilmember

Kristi Bosch – Councilmember

Michael Greene – Councilmember

Lamar Rogers – Engineer

Brandon Bowen– City Attorney

Lauren Garrett – City Clerk

Chris Lumpkin – Water Maintenance Manager

Absent:

Dennis Cochran – Pro Tem

Item 1: Call to Order

Mayor Mary Helen Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Item 2: Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

The invocation was delivered, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 3: Five-Minute Public Input

None.

Item 4: Consideration to Approve the Regular Council Meeting September 8, 2026

A motion was made by Councilmember Brown to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 8, 2026. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Greene. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 5: Angel Quintana – Discussion Regarding Zoning of Property on Reinhardt College Parkway

Mr. Angel Quintana addressed Council regarding his property on Reinhardt College Parkway, which is currently zoned General Commercial (GC). Mr. Quintana requested consideration of rezoning the property to R-30 Residential.

Mr. Quintana explained that the structure was originally constructed as a residence and that the current commercial zoning has created difficulties in selling and financing the property for residential use.

The City Attorney discussed potential options for addressing the issue, including amending the R-30 zoning provisions to provide that the 30,000-square-foot minimum lot requirement would not apply to legally existing lots of record. This would address existing undersized lots without allowing the creation of new undersized lots.

The City Attorney advised that the matter would need to proceed through the appropriate zoning and public hearing process before final action could be taken.

Staff was directed to communicate with Cherokee County Planning and Zoning regarding the appropriate process.

No formal action was taken.

Item 6: Dean Woodall – Water line discussion

Mr. Dean Woodall addressed Council regarding a proposed water-line extension in the Geneva Road/Francis Road area to serve approximately five proposed residences.

Mr. Woodall stated that he would be responsible for the cost of installing the line. Council discussed the proposed route, available right-of-way, surveying, utility locations, line size, potential future connections, and the City's requirements for connecting the extension to the municipal water system.

The proposed line is approximately 1,300 feet to the first property and approximately 2,000 feet in total. A two-inch line was discussed as potentially sufficient for the proposed residences.

Mr. Woodall will have the right-of-way identified, determine whether neighboring property owners have an interest in connecting to the line, and submit plans for review. The City Engineer will review and approve the plans and appropriate line size prior to connection to the City's water system.

No formal action was taken.

Item 7: Yard of the Month

Council discussed the final Yard of the Month selection for the 2026 season.

A motion was made by Councilmember Greene and seconded by Councilmember Cook to select 118 Byers Street as the Yard of the Month. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 8: Water System Report

The City Engineer provided an update on current water-system projects.

The ongoing water project was reported to be progressing, with approximately six weeks remaining in the anticipated construction schedule. Upcoming connections involving Reinhardt University were discussed, and staff will coordinate the work with the University to minimize disruptions.

The contractor requested authorization to work on Saturdays in order to assist with completing the project.

A motion was made by Councilmember Greene and seconded by Councilmember Cook to allow the contractor to work on Saturdays until completion of the project. The motion passed unanimously.

The City Engineer reported that the Sardis Road water-line plans had been reviewed by most applicable Cherokee County departments, with one review remaining. Comments received to date were minor and primarily involved notes to be added to the plans.

Council also discussed the former McCoy Road booster pump station near Geneva Road. The City Engineer recommended confirming that the facility is properly disconnected from the active water main before abandoning the unused facility.

Staff reported that a quote had been requested for the Dixon Road water-line extension but had not yet been received.

Staff also advised Council of a request concerning approximately 150 Waleska Woods Court. The property owner is interested in establishing a meter at Bartow Street and extending service to the property. Discussion was postponed until the property owner can provide additional right-of-way and easement information.

Council discussed a request concerning 241 George Gray Lane. The existing meter is located near the roadway and has reportedly experienced issues associated with vehicles leaving the roadway. Under the City's water-extension policy, the property owner would be financially responsible for extending or relocating the service. Staff may obtain a quote for the property owner.

The Water Maintenance Manager requested authorization to purchase water-system inventory and repair supplies, including valves, curb stops, corporations, and service-line materials.

Council discussed developing a written purchasing-authority policy for future consideration.

A motion was made by Councilmember Greene and seconded Councilmember Brown to authorize the Water Maintenance Manager to spend up to \$2,000 for water-system supplies. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 9: City Clerk's Report

The City Clerk reported that she had no additional items for Council.

Council requested that water-loss information be provided at future meetings. The City Clerk stated that she would calculate the City's water-loss figures and bring the information back to Council.

The Mayor noted that the City Clerk had recently completed municipal clerk training and would be providing Council with information and recommendations resulting from the training.

Item 10: City Attorney's Report

The City Attorney presented a proposed amendment to the City's Street Lighting Ordinance. Copies were included in Council's meeting packets.

The proposed amendment was presented as a first reading. Council was asked to review the proposed ordinance and provide any requested changes prior to consideration at a future meeting.

No action was taken.

The City Attorney also presented a proposed zoning ordinance amendment creating a Technology District to address potential data-center development. Under the proposed ordinance, property intended for data-center development would be required to obtain the appropriate Technology District zoning before such development could proceed.

The proposed ordinance was provided to Council for review and feedback.

No action was taken.

Item 11: Mayor's Report

The Mayor provided information regarding a memorial service scheduled for October 3, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. at South Canton Funeral Home. The family requested no flowers and indicated that those wishing to make a memorial contribution could donate to the Methodist Church Angel Tree program.

The Mayor also thanked Councilmember Peter Brown for providing food for the September 11 dinner.

The Mayor also updated Council that the City Clerk Lauren Garrett attended the mandated Clerk training.

Item 12: Council Remarks

None.

Item 13: Adjournment of Regular Council Meeting

A motion was made by Councilmember Greene and seconded by Councilmember Brown to Recess the regular meeting and go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously.

Council entered Executive Session at 7:24 p.m.

Item 14: Reconvene Regular Meeting

Executive Session concluded at 7:28 p.m., and the Regular Council Meeting was reconvened.

Item 15: Adjournment of Regular Council Meeting

A motion was made by Councilmember Greene and seconded by Councilmember Brown to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

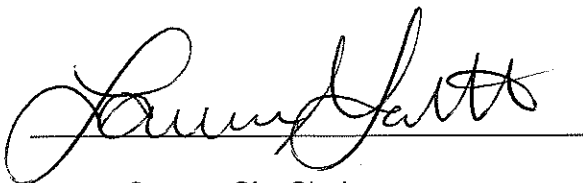
The Regular Council Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVED THIS 5 DAY OF October, 2026.



Mary Helen Lamb, Mayor

Attest



Lauren Garrett, City Clerk