

Minutes

Regular Meeting

Walton City Council

November 5, 2018

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by Mayor Barry Wentz. A moment of silence was observed. Members present: Jeremy Ashby, Debbie Robinson, Tony Wheeler, Chris Deschner, Janet Wentz. Staff present: Stephanie Ashby, Gillmore, Merlyn Johnson, Chris Utter.

Presentations of Petitions, Public Forums, Memorials:

Consent Agenda:

Minutes of October Regular Meeting were **Approved as Presented.**

October Financials were **Approved as Presented.**

Public Forum was Opened 7:08 PM & Closed at 7:08 PM

The City will stay with its current copier lease with 360 solutions and not move forward with an upgrade

Bid received for a new utilities computer for the office were received from

Dell- Dell Optiplex \$ 770.68, CG Solutions- Refurbished Dell model \$375, CG Solutions- HP Elite \$980

Wheeler **Moved to Approve** the Refurbished Dell model from CG Solutions in the amount of \$375. **No Second, Motion Denied**

Wentz **Moved to Approve** the HP Elite from CG Solutions in the amount of \$980.00. Deschner **Seconded. Carried 4-1**

Verizon has started work on the tower and is expected to be done by the end of the year.

Ashby **Moved to Approve** West Branch Excavating's quote in the amount of \$7425.00 for drainage work to begin as soon as allowable. **Wheeler Seconded. Carried 5-0**

Reports Staff & Committees:

Attorney's Report: Will Look into the status of Coates' Foreclosure

Superintendent's Report: Attached. Will research more on the KMGPA Pre-pay program for gas

Mayor's Report: Will speak with Nickel regarding foundation

Police Report: Attached. Will move forward with purchasing Watchdog Camera in the amount of \$5900.00. Will start ticketing inoperable vehicles

Clerk Report: : I sent a notice to publish to the Newton Now regarding a Thank You to the committees that helped with the clean-up before the festival. They responded that they would put it in a future issue. A plaque was ordered for Mary Caraway and will be arriving on the 8th of this month. Shannon Nickel & I are working with the Lions Club, Coop, Bank, Library, & Whistlestop to light up downtown for a Christmas Tree Lighting that will be held on the night of the Lions' soup supper Dec. 1st @ 7pm. We expect to have a choir sing Christmas carols and will be serving hot chocolate and

cider. We have already been promised a donation of \$100 from the Lions to go toward lights. The Coop is providing their own lights and will be lighting up the Ampride station and their office across 50. The city purchased enough lights for the remainder of downtown. There will be a volunteer day scheduled on November 10th or so to hang up the lights and work on tree, as well as Shannon and I will work on the tree throughout the month to ensure it will be ready by Nov. 30th when the kids are scheduled to decorate the tree. The Coop said they would look into getting a monetary donation for lights as well. For the tree lighting it would be nice for the Mayor or a member of the council to initiate the lighting of the tree. I included the Notes & Recap from the Oct. 29th school board meeting, the outlook is grim for Walton

Boards & Commitees: Fire Dept. purchased a new fire truck, fish fry was a success and served 372 people.

New Business: Will look into the status of Jesse Nickel's foundation at 101 Michelle Dr.

Business Updates: Office Closed Monday Nov. 12th Veterans Day, Office Closed Nov 22 & 23 for Thanksgiving, School Decorate Tree Nov. 30th @ 2pm, Lions soup supper Dec. 1st 5:30pm to 7pm, Tree Lighting Dec. 1st 7pm.

Items for Upcoming Meeting: Gas Prepay program, Nickel Foundation

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Meeting Adjourned 8:30pm