

TOWN OF WALKER

MINUTES

February 8, 2010

7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held at the Walker Town Hall on February 8, 2010 at 7:00 pm. Present were Mayor Bobby Font, Aldermen Elton Burns, Scarlett Major, James Phillips and Richard Wales. Absent was Alderman Jack Summerell.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mr. Richard Wales.

Mayor Font led the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Mr. James Phillips, seconded by Mr. Elton Burns, to adopt the January 11, 2010 minutes as presented.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips and Wales  
Nays: None  
Absent: Summerell

A motion was made by Mrs. Scarlett Major, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales, to adopt the January 25, 2010 special meeting minutes as presented.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips and Wales  
Nays: None  
Absent: Summerell

A motion was made by Mr. James Phillips, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales, to approve the signing of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire, as required for the annual audit.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips and Wales  
Nays: None  
Absent: Summerell

A motion was made by Mr. Richard Wales, seconded by Mr. Elton Burns, to approve a resolution to allocating \$2,000.00 to the Shelter Medicine Program of the LSU Veterinary School.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, and Wales  
Nays: None  
Absent: Summerell

A motion was made by Mr. James Phillips, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major, to approve a resolution to apply for the grant, Safe Route to School Fund.

Yeas: Burns, major, Phillips, and Wales  
Nays: None  
Absent: Summerell

Sheriff Willie Graves was present and discussed the extra duty contract for the Walker Wal-Mart. The Livingston Parish Sheriff's office currently holds the contract for extra duty but is willing to partner with the Walker Police Department thus allowing the Walker Police Officer's to work extra duty. Sheriff Graves explained that he and Mayor Font would be meeting with Wal-Mart to clarify the specifics of the contract.

Mr. James Phillips introduced and ordinance pertaining to adding Division 6 – Section 2-58 "Police Officer Hiring Procedures" to the Town of Walker's Code of Ordinances. A public hearing was set for the March 8, 2010 meeting.

Following a public hearing, a motion was made by Mr. Elton Burns, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to approve an ordinance to amending Section 13-210: Sales, exhibition, or distribution of material harmful to minors; of the code of ordinances for the Town of Walker.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: Summerell

Mayor Font indicated Fire Chief James Wascom's request to reappoint Mr. Darren Blevins to the Fire District 4's Board. Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to approve the request to reappoint.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: Summerell

Chief Grimes presented the Police Report stating that 293 citations were issued in the month of January 2010.

Mr. Darren Blevins presented the Public Works Report giving credit to the crew for the way they worked and handled the ice storm.

Mayor Font informed the Board of the following

- He had signed the contract with DHH and had received a check in the amount of \$520,000. He will be signing the contractor next week to start the Greenwich Village Project.
- Mr. Fred Raiford is working to procure the remaining right of ways and other information that is needed to proceed with the other phase of the DEQ mandated sewer project.
- Last year was a really good year for the Administration as well as the Town and Board as a whole. Walker has not experienced the recession to the degree as the rest of the country. The Town still has businesses wishing to locate here as well as homes that are still being built. We have managed to put approximately 1 1/2 million dollars in a rainy day fund.

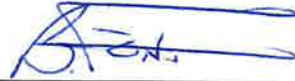
There being no further comments or business to discuss, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion to adjourn, with a second by Mr. Elton Burns.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: Summerell

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



MAYOR BOBBY FONT

ATTEST:



Myra Streeter, Clerk  
CMC; CMA; CAA