

TOWN OF WALKER

MINUTES

May 10, 2010

7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held at the Walker Town Hall on May 10, 2010 at 7:00pm. Present were Mayor Bobby Font, Aldermen Elton Burns, Scarlett Major, Jack Summerell and Richard Wales. Absent was James Phillips.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Bro Wes Courtney.

Mayor Font led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Mr. Jack Summerell, seconded by Mr. Elton Burns, to adopt the April 12, 2010 minutes as presented.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: Phillips

The Board was addressed by Ms. Cassie Baggett for forty –five minutes regarding the death of one of her pitt bull dogs that had been delivered to the Walker Animal Shelter. The Mayor and Aldermen listen intently. No action was necessary therefore none was taken.

Mayor Font requested that item 10, the public hearing for Our Lady of the Lake, be moved to this point of the agenda. There were no objections therefore the Mayor announced that we were in a Public Hearing regarding the adopting of an ordinance annexing property belonging to Our Lady of the Lake, Inc.

Mr. Gary Jump and Ms. Katherine Harrell, Vice Presidents with Our Lady of the Lake, were there to answer any question that the Board may have had. It was discussed that the Town of Walker would be annexing 236.678 acres of land, owned by Our Lady of the Lake Hospital, Inc., into the corporate limits. Questions were asked and answered regarding to the type of medical facilities and services that would be available.

Following all discussion regarding the annexation of property belonging to Our Lady of the Lake, a motion to approve the ordinance to annex was made by Mr. Richard Wales, with a second by Mrs. Scarlett Major.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: Phillips

A motion was made by Mr. Elton Burns, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales, to approve a resolution allowing the Boy Scouts of America to perform improvements at the Walker Animal Control Center for an Eagle Scout Service Project.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: Phillips

A motion was made by Mrs. Scarlett Major and seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to approve a resolution ordering and calling for a referendum election to be held in the corporate limits of the Town of Walker, Louisiana; and to submit to the qualified electors thereof certain local option propositions relative to the sale of alcoholic beverages to determine whether or not the business of selling alcoholic beverages shall be conducted and licensed therein.

Yeas: Font, Major, and Summerell
Nays: Burns, Wales
Absent: Phillips

A motion was made by Mr. Richard Wales and seconded by Mr. Elton Burns to approve Change Order #1 on the Greenwich Village Project, from Ducote Wrecking Company LLC, in the amount of \$19,812.11, based on the recommendation of Thomas Duenkel with MML&H Engineering Firm.

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

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced an ordinance, set for a public hearing on June 14, 2010, to rezone Aydell Lane property from R-70 to R-80.

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced an ordinance, set for a public hearing on June 14, 2010, to amend the Police Hiring Procedures.

Chief Grimes presented the Walker Police Report indication that 751 citations were issued in the month of April 2010.

Mayor Font indicated that Mr. Darren Blevins was on his way to Lake Charles for a class, therefore if anyone had questions regarding the Public Works Report he and Mr. Fred Raiford could answer them. No questions were asked.

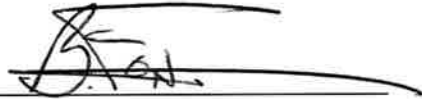
Mr. Don & Mrs. Shelia Guitreau were present and requested that something be done about the crime on Burns Lane. Both Mr. & Mrs. Guitreau told of items stolen from their property and of activity in their area and up and down Burns Lane. They expressed concern because they had contacted the Police Department in the past and nothing seems to have been done. Mr. Milton Burns, also a resident of Burns Lane, expressed the same concerns. Mr. Burns also requested that something be done about an old house that he felt should be torn down.

Mayor Font informed Mr. & Mrs. Guitreau and Mr. Burns that he and Mr. Raiford would look into what could or should be done with the old house and requested that Chief Grimes and the police department look into the matter of stolen property and resolve the issues.

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

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

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



MAYOR BOBBY FONT

ATTEST:



Myra Streeter, Clerk
CMC; CMA; CAA