July 13,2020 6:00 PM

The regular monthly meeting of the Walker Mayor and Walker City Council was held on Monday, July 13, 2020 at 6:00P.M. at the Walker City Hall. Present were Mayor Jimmy Watson, Council Members, Mr. David Clark, Mr. Eric Cook, Mr. Gary Griffin, Mrs. Scarlett Major and Mr. Richard Wales.

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adopt the minutes from the June 8, 2020 meeting as presented.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Ricard Wales to adopt the minutes from the June 12, 2020 special meeting as presented.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Mike Cotton, Finance Director, presented the monthly financial reports.

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. David Clark, to adopt a resolution acknowledging receipt of the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit for 2020.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin, to lift the agenda and enter into a public hearing for the purpose of adopting the 2020 millage rates.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Following the public hearing to adopt the 2020 Millage Rates a motion was made by Mr. Richard Wales and seconded by Mr. David Clark to return to the regular agenda.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adopt a resolution approving the General Alimony Millage Tax at the rate of 2.230 for the year 2020.

Yeas;

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. David Clark to approve the modifications to the Perkins condemnation order.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to approve the recommendation from Chief Addison to hire Mr. Tahj Patterson as a part-time officer with the Walker Police Department

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wale to approve the recommendation from Chief Addison to hire Mr. Michael Cheslak as a reserve officer with the Walker Police Department.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

During additional comments,

Mr. Jamie Etheridge stated that the bid opening for the Brown & Elem Street projects would be July 23rd. Once the bids were awarded the projects should take approximately 180 days weather permitting.

A question was raised regarding the gym at Sidney Hutching Park, as to wither or not it could be used by the public. Mayor Watson stated that building was built in conjunction with the Office of Home Land Security, and that at the present it was storing MRE's for them. Once the building was cleared it would be used for emergencies as well programs set up by Parks and Recreation such as day camps, basketball, etc.

Mr. Jerry Aruch stated his concerns for drainage in his area, McKenzie Way and Mayor Street. Mayor Watson informed him that this has been an issue for a long time, however we believe it has been worked out and will soon be resolved.

There being no additional comments and no new business to discuss, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adjourn.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

MAYOR JIMMY

ATTEST:

Myra Streeter, Clerk

MMC; CMA; CAA