## CITY OF WALKER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 12, 2019 6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 6:00 p. m. Present were Mayor Jimmy Watson, Council Members, David Clark, Eric Cook, Scarlett Major and Richard Williams. Absent was Gary Griffin.

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. David Clark to approve the minutes from the October 14, 2019 meeting as presented.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mr. Mike Cotton, Finance Director, presented the council with the financial report.

Mr. Jody Stanford presented the DPW report, indicating that ditches have been cleaned, culverts have been replaced and driveways have been re-poured on the following roads, Ann, Ina, Peggy, Linda, Becky and Elaine. We have started on Pleasant Ridge and hope to finish up in December, weather permitting. Drainage work will continue with the following streets in order; Brian Park, Dwayne, Madison Oaks, Travis and Ball Park.

Mr. David Clark made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales, to adopt a resolution to apply for a grant to the Office of Community Development on behalf of the City for the purpose of acquiring several Sewer Sentry manhole devices.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook, to adopt a resolution amending the holidays in the employee handbook.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook, to adopt a resolution entering into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Parish of Livingston regarding improvement at Duff Road.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major, to adopt a resolution to adopt a policy manual for the Walker Police Department.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mr. David Clark introduced an ordinance for the adoption of the 2019 Final Budget Amendment, be set for a public hearing at the December 9, 2019 meeting.

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced an ordinance for the adoption of the 2020 Budget, be set for a public hearing at the December 9, 2019 meeting.

Mr. David Clark made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales, to enter into a public hearing.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Following a public hearing Mr. David Clark, made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales, to adopt an ordinance for Budget Amendment No. 8 – Increase streets and drainage engineering expenditures for 2019 by \$200,000.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major, to return to end the public hearing and return to the agenda.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mr. David Clark made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales, to lift the regular agenda to hear Chief Addison's request for new hires.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major, to hire Donald Tavlin as a reserve office as per Chief Addison's request.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. David Clark, to hire Raven Stafford as a reserve office contingent on the completion of the Matrix.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to return to the regular agenda.

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

During additional comments it was announced that there would be a litter pick up on Saturday, November 16, 2019 from, 7:30 am to 11:30 am. Lunch would be provided by Livingston Parish Chamber and Waste Management at Walk On's in Denham Springs.

Keith Street project update; the contractor has ordered the materials for the project. Hopefully the project will start before Christmas.

Travis Street project should be starting before end of year.

Brown and Elm Street project are still holding at same status.

Walker's Fishing Rodeo will be held on Saturday, November 16, 2019 from 7:00 am to 11:30 am. You must be 15 and under to participate. Participation is free

Mr. Eric Cook invited all to attend the event of his son, Jalen Cook's signing his letter of intent to play basketball with LSU a, Walker High on November 13, 2019 at 10:00 am.

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

Yeas:

Clark, Cook, Major and Wales

Nays:

None

Absent:

Griffin

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTE

MAYOR JIMMY WATSON

ATTEST:

MMC; CMA; CAA

Myra Streeter, Cler