

CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

August 11, 2014

6:00 PM

The regular scheduled meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on August 11, 2014 at 6:00 pm. Present were Mayor Rick Ramsey, Council Members, Jonathan Davis, Travis Girlinghouse, Gary Griffin, Scarlett Major and Paul Roberts.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mr. Paul Roberts.

Mayor Rick Ramsey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adopt the minutes of the July 14, 2014 meeting as presented.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to adopt the minutes of the July 1, 2014 special meeting as presented.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. Russell Beale, candidate for District A Judge was present and addressed the Council requesting their support.

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to approve the sale of unimproved right of way of Moore Street. The property being 40 foot wide and 305.67 feet long just east of Moore Street and along CN Railroad tracts. The abutting property owners Darrell & Cindy Hill along with Cliff Marsh have expressed the desire to purchase said property for a total of \$7,000.00. Each property owner will purchase the property adjacent to their existing property.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to adopt an ordinance amending the City of Walker Unified Development Code.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 2, Section 11-7 pertaining to Occupational Licenses to create a class of license for instances in which gross sales are as much as \$1.00 but less than \$10,000.00 the annual license shall be \$10.00. Where gross sales are at least \$10,000.00 the cost of the annual license shall remain as fixed by state statutes.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to adopt an ordinance to amend Chapter 2 , Section 31 including the that all vehicles weighing less than two and one-half (1 ½) tons, purchased after January 1, 2014, shall be equipped with global positioning systems.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathon Davis to enter into executive session.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to end the executive session and return to the regular agenda.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Ramsey announced that the items discussed in executive session pertaining to litigation, regarded Mayor Ramsey and Chief Lee being served a notice of request for summary judgment with the Dupima / Robinson case and the financial issue was the current contract with Earthlink, the company that has all of our phone, wireless and internet services. No action was taken.

Chief Marliam Lee presented the police report indicating 657 citations, 1254 calls for service and 101 arrests.

Chief Lee requested the approve Egan Carroll, Gerald Sicard and John Wilkins for the hire as reserve officers.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made the motion seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve the Chief's recommendation to hire Mr. Egan Carroll as a reserve officer.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to approve the Chief's recommendation to hire Mr. Gerald Sicard as a reserve officer.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to approve the Chief's recommendation to hire Mr. John Wilkins as a reserve officer.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts
Nays: None
Absent: None

Chief Lee requested that the council approve his recommendation to terminate Mark Ubas' employment with the City of Walker Police Department.

After much discussion from the Council, Chief Lee and Mr. Ubas's attorney, Ms. Melissa Eldridge; Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to approve Chief Lee's request to terminate Mr. Ubas' employment.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Major and Roberts
Nays: Griffin
Absent: None

There being no additional business to discuss or any additional comments, Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Robert to adjourn.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts.
Nays: None
Absent: None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



RICK RAMSEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:



Myra Streeter, Clerk
CMC; CMA; CAA