

CITY OF WALKER  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES

July 14, 2014

6:00 P. M.

The regular scheduled meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on July 14, 2014 at 6:00pm. Present were Mayor Rick Ramsey, Council Members, Jonathan Davis, Tracy Girlinghouse, Scarlett Major and Paul Roberts. Absent was Gary Griffin.

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. Paul Roberts to adopt the minutes of the June 9, 2014 meeting as presented.

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

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, Major and Roberts  
Nays: None  
Absent: Griffin

Mr. Robert "Bob" Bell candidate for the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District addressed the council and asked for their support in the upcoming election.

Senator Dan Claitor candidate for the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District addressed the council and asked for their support in the upcoming election.

Mr. Scarlett Major made a motion seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to approve a resolution for the disposal of inoperable surplus property.

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

Mr. Fred Raiford updated the council on the progress with the new water tower project. The advertisements for bids have gone out in the paper. Pre-Bid will be held on July 23, 2014. Bids will be opened on August 5<sup>th</sup> at 10: 00 am at Walker City Hall. Low bid will be presented to the council at the August 11, 2014 council meeting. Projected notice to proceed/construction start date will be September 15, 2014 and projected construction completion date will be September 16, 2015.

Mayor Ramsey requested approval from the council to consider closing Michael Dejean Drive, (the road that goes through the actual area of the ball fields) to the public after dark and as needed for city functions. Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve the closure once documentation showing where the gates would be placed and the times that the drive would be closed is submitted as requested by Mr. Paul Roberts.

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

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve the request of Mayor Ramsey to change the employment status of Attorney Michael Cupit from part time to a full time with a salary of \$95,000.00 per year (Mr. Cupit has agreed to waive insurance coverage ) to become effective August 1, 2014.

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

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced an ordinance set for a public hearing at the August 11, 2014 meeting to amend the ordinance on the Unified Development Code.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse introduced an ordinance set for a public hearing at the August 11, 2014 meeting to amend Chapter 2 Sec. 11-7 – Occupational License of the Code of Ordinances.

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced an ordinance set for a public hearing at the August 11, 2014 meeting to amend Chapter 2, Sec. 31 to include adding GPS to newly purchased city vehicles.

During the public meeting and following a public hearing, Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve the resolution adopting the 2014 millage rate of 2.20 mills.

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

Following a public hearing, Mr. Paul Robert made a motion seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve the ordinance on the annexation of properties south of Interstate 12.

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

Following a public hearing, Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve the ordinance amending budget # 3.

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

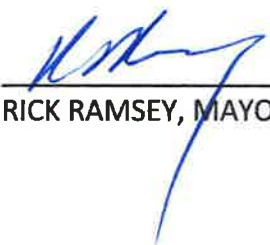
Chief Marliam Lee presented the police report indicating 565 citations, 1424 calls for service and 86 arrests in the month of May 2014.

Mayor Ramsey informed the audience that there will be a Household Hazardous Materials Collection Day on July 26, 2014 at 8:00 AM until 1:00 PM at Sidney Hutchinson Memorial Park, Northeast parking lot and that volunteers are needed to help with various stations.

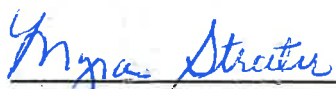
There being no additional business to discuss nor any additional comments, Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adjourn.

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

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

  
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RICK RAMSEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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Myra Streeter, Clerk  
CMC; CMA; CAA