

CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

March 14, 2016

6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on March 14, 2016 at 6:00 pm. Present were Mayor Rick Ramsey, Council members Eric Cook, Jonathan Davis, Gary Griffin, Scarlett Major and Paul Roberts.

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

Mayor Ramsey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adopt the minutes of the February 8, 2016 meeting as presented.

Yeas: Cook Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adopt the minutes of the February 22, 2016 Special Meeting as presented.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mrs. Scarlett Major explained the process, the committee when through to select a candidate for the City Attorney position to present to the Mayor. Mayor Rick Ramsey made a recommendation to the Board for the approval to hire Mr. Robert "Bobby" King as City Attorney.

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to approve the Mayor's recommendation to hire Mr. Robert "Bobby" King as the City Attorney. Mr. King would start at the Board's approval with a salary in the amount of \$80,000.00 annual with benefits.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to adopt a proclamation declaring March 2016 as Flood Awareness Month.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adopt a resolution for a change order on the Eden Church Rd project which reduces the original bid by \$-1034.50.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve a resolution for a grant application for the Challengers Field to provide ADA playground & restrooms and to add a concession stand and additional paved parking.

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

Mr. Gary Griffin, made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adopt a resolution to execute a contract with the Illinois Central Railroad Company to place a sewer line under the railroad tracks at Hwy 449.

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

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to adopt a resolution adjusting the salary of the Magistrate Judge for the City of Walker Mayor's Court to \$1,500.00 per month.

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

Mr. Jonathan Davis tabled his resolution, regarding keeping family law in the states, until the April 11, 2016 regular Council meeting.

Mr. Paul Roberts introduced an ordinance on the issuance of debt not to exceed \$ 5,110,000.00, on the Revenue Refunding Bond Series 2016. A special meeting will be held on March 21, 2016 for public hearing on the ordinance.

Following a public hearing Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adopt an ordinance amending the 2016 annual budget - amendment # 1.

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

Chief Marliam Lee presented the police report indicating that 816 citations, 1220 calls for service and 65 arrests were made in the month of January 2016.

There being no additional business and nothing further to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Gary Griffin and seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adjourn.

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

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED


MAYOR, RICK RAMSEY

ATTEST:


Myra Streeter, Clerk
MMC; CMA; CAA