

CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

March 10, 2014

6:00 PM

The regular scheduled meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on March 10, 2014 at 6:00pm. Present were Mayor Rick Ramsey, Council members, Jonathan Davis, Tracy Girlinghouse, Gary Griffin, Scarlett Major and Paul Roberts.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mr. Jonathan Davis.

Boy Scout Troop 174 presented colors and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to approve the minutes from the February 10, 2014 meeting as presented.

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

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve a proclamation declaring March 2014 as flood awareness month.

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

Mr. Paul Robert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to approve the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire as completed and presented.

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

Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to approve a resolution to enter into an agreement with American Municipal Service (AMS) which is a debt collection service.

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

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to approve a resolution to enter into an agreement with Office of State Parks /Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism to start the process of improving and continued construction of the walking trail at Sidney Hutchinson Park. The grant amount is \$89,240.00. The grant requires the City of Walker provide the engineering work and 20% match

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

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve a resolution entering into an agreement with Forte & Tablada to perform the engineering service for the Sidney Hutchinson Walking Trail Grant in the amount of \$16,160.00.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Gary Griffin, made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse, to approve the resolution entering into an agreement with PPM Consultants to provide engineering services for the Pre-Treatment and Stormwater Management Plan .

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Scarlett Major introduced an ordinance to amend the 2014 Annual Budget to include a budgeted amount for Blight Property Cleanup. A public hearing will be set for April 14th at the regular scheduled meeting.

Following a public hearing Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to replace Section 4 – Animal and Fowls; of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Walker.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

There was no public hearing for the ordinance to rezone property belonging to Jimmy Jenkins. This item was requested to be tabled again until the April 14, 2014 meeting. If this project is not available for a public hearing in April the project will be pulled from the agenda until which time it is ready for a public hearing.

Following a public hearing Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse, made a motion seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve an ordinance to Amend and Reenact the Code of Ordinances for the City of Walker, Louisiana, by amending Section 1-8, General Penalty; Mayor's Court Cost .

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Following a public hearing Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve an ordinance to Amend, Enact, Reenact, and/or Repeal the Code of Ordinances for the City of Walker, Louisiana, by amending Chapter 12, Motor Vehicles and Traffic.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Following a public hearing Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve an ordinance to Amend, Enact, Reenact, and or Repeal the Code of Ordinance for the City of Walker, Louisiana, by amending Chapter 13, Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions adding additional offenses made crimes by state law.

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

Chief Marliam Lee presented the Police Report indicating that there were 389 citations issued 963 calls for service, 72 arrests and \$ 47,582.50 total monies collected for the month of January 2014.

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