

CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

November 10, 2014

6:00PM

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

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

Mayor Rick Ramsey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adopt the minutes from the October 13, 2014 meeting with the correction of the acreage listed on the ordinance to annex property on Hartman Lane from 0.662 acres to 1.662 acres.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Roberts

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adopt the minutes for the November 3, 2014 special meeting as presented.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Roberts

Livingston Parish President, Mr. Layton Ricks presented the Council with copies of the Livingston Parish Home Rule Charter. There are 5 amendments to the Charter on the December 6, 2014 ballot. Mr. Ricks hopes that providing the Council with a copy of the Charter would help the Council to make informed decisions regarding amendments as well as aid in helping constituents with any questions that may arise.

Mr. Sam Pourciau a resident of Pleasant Ridge subdivision was present to petition the Council to place stop signs at the intersection of Linda and Ann streets. Mr. Pourciau provided the Council with a signed petition from residents all along Pleasant Ridge who were in agreement. Following discussion Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to have multi way stop signs installed at the intersections of Linda and Ann Streets.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Roberts

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to approve a resolution authorizing final acceptance of the Sidney Hutchinson Walking Trail.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Roberts

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve a resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Safe Routes to School Program.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Roberts

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to approve a resolution endorsing Contractor Fraud Prevention.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Roberts

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced an ordinance to be set for a public hearing at the December 8, 2014 meeting pertaining to the 2014 Budget Amendment #5.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse introduced an ordinance to be set for a public hearing at the December 8, 2014 meeting pertaining to the adoption of the 2015 Budget.

Following a public hearing Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to adopt an ordinance pertaining to Back Flow Prevention.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Roberts

Following a public hearing Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to adopt an ordinance on the annexation of 1.662 acres off of Hartman Lane into the city limits zoned R/C CAB-1.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin and Major

Nays: None

Absent: Roberts

Chief Marliam Lee Presented the police report indicating that 488 citations, 1019 calls for service and 93 arrests were reported for September 2014.

Chief Lee requested Council approval to a status change in employment for Officer John Walker from Reserve to Part-time effective immediately.

Mr. Gary Griffin made the motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to approve Chief Lee's recommendation on the hiring of Officer John Walker to a part-time position.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin and Major

Nays: None


Absent: Roberts

Chief Lee removed the candidate for Reserve Officer, Rhonda Ruiz from the agenda.

Mr. Gary Griffin questioned the funding source for Walker Park and Recreation as compared to Livingston Parks. Mayor Ramsey explained that the funding for the City came strictly from the General Fund whereas the Town of Livingston has a millage that was dedicated to parks and recreations.

There being no additional comments and no new business to discuss Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adjourn.

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



MAYOR RICK RAMSEY

ATTEST:



Myra Streeter, Clerk
MMC