

**CITY OF WALKER  
COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES**

November 9, 2015

6:00PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on November 9, 2015 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. Paul Roberts.

Mayor Rick Ramsey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to adopt the minutes of the October 12, 2015 council meeting as presented.

Yeas: Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: Girlinghouse

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to adopt the minutes of the October 22, 2015 special meeting as presented.

Yeas: Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: Girlinghouse

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve a \$ 10,000.00 payment to Livingston Economic Development Council for 2016 membership.

Yeas: Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: Girlinghouse

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to lift the agenda for the purpose of discussing a change to the wording of the resolution pertaining to the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Quality Audit.

Yeas: Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: Girlinghouse

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts, to approve changing the wording on section B of the resolution pertaining to the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Quality Audit to read as follows: Installing new 12" sewer force main from the City Hall lift station to the Treatment Plant by utilizing the new force main. We will remove approximately 50% of our sewer flow from the existing gravity sewer system, and bring it directly to the Treatment Plant. By separating the sewer flow to the Treatment Plant, we will increase our collection systems capacity and could help future overflow.

Yeas: Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: Girlinghouse

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to return to the regular agenda.

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

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve a resolution to extend the contract with Waste Management for solid waste garbage collection from February 28, 2016 to February 28, 2021.

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

Mr. Paul Robert made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve a resolution authorizing final acceptance of the Split Flow Sewer Project.

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

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced an ordinance pertaining to a budget amendment to the 2015 budget - amendment #3, to set for a public hearing at the December 14, 2015 council meeting.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse introduced an ordinance pertaining for 2016 budget, to be set for a public hearing at the December 14, 2015 council meeting.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse introduced an ordinance pertaining to the placement of 4 way stop signs at Three Lakes Drive and Lakeshore Drive, to be set for a public hearing at the December 14, 2015 council meeting.

Mr. Paul Roberts introduced an ordinance pertaining to adjustment of salaries for appointed officials, be set for a public hearing at the December 14, 2015 council meeting.

Following a public hearing Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 13.5 -1 and 13.5-2 Parks and Recreation of the code of ordinance for the City of Walker.

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

Mr. Paul Roberts tabled the ordinance pertaining to the amending of the Noise Ordinance until the December 14, 2015 meeting.

Chief Marliam Lee presented the police report indicating that 413 citations were issued, 923 calls for service and 37 arrests took place in the month of September 2015.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to approve Chief Lee's request to keep Officer Mitchell Fouse as a part time officer for the police department.

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

Mayor Rick Ramsey gave condolences to the family of Mr. Melvin Brown, a past Alderman who had served the City for 28 years, stating he would be missed.

Mayor Rick Ramsey reported that Scott Innes in collaboration with the City of Walker, the Pilot Club of Denham Springs, and the Livingston Parish Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a 'Nashville Unplugged' fundraiser to support efforts to build a sports field in 2016 for physically and /or mentally challenged youth of the region. The City will receive \$1,000.00 for each table sold to go directly toward the Challenger's Field. The Cal Ripkin Foundation has committed to a 50% match for the construction cost.

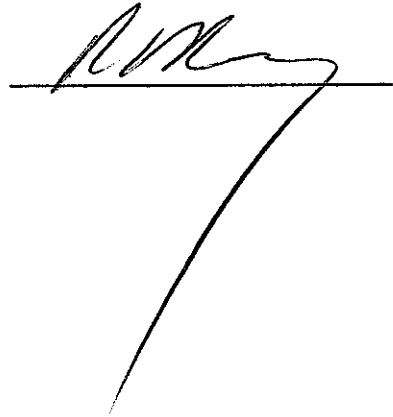
There being no additional business and nothing further to discuss, Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adjourn

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

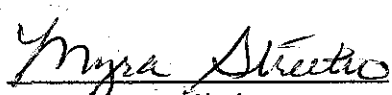
Nays: None

Absent: None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



ATTEST:



Myra Streefer, Clerk  
MMC; MCA; CAA