

CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

October 12, 2015

6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on October 12, 2015 at 6:00 pm. 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.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to adopt the minutes of the September 14, 2015 council meeting as presented.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Fred Raiford informed the Council that the City received a Water Fluoridation Quality Award.

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to adopt the Capital Region Area Floodplain Taskforce (CRAFT) Multi-jurisdictional Program for Public Information (MJPPi) document, for credit under the Community Rating System (CRS) of the National Flood Insurance Program (NIFP).

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve a resolution authorizing the Change Order # 2 for the Florida Split Flow Project in the amount of \$1,425.00 to L. King, LLC.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve the resolution to award the engineering services in connection with the road extension of Industrial Way to Forte and Tablada Inc.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to lift the agenda.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adopt a resolution on policy and procedures for the Traffic Enforcement and Criminal Patrol Program (T-Cap).

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Barry Harris presented the Council with a signed petition requesting to have the intersection of Three Lakes Blvd and Lake Shore Drive converted into a 4 way stop. It was explained that the area would have to be studied and a public hearing would have to be held before changes could be made. This issue will be placed on the November agenda.

Mrs. Gertie Burns present to request that the City Council consider changing the noise ordinance. After discussion Mr. Paul Robert introduced and ordinance to amend the current noise ordinance and set it for a public hearing at the regular scheduled meeting on November 9, 2015.

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to return to the regular agenda.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced and ordinance to amend Chapter 13.5 Parks & Recreation be set for a public hearing at the November 9, 2015 meeting.

Following a public hearing Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 9, Article II – Nuisance on Private or Public Property – Sec. 9-28. Notice of violation an administrative, of the Walker Code of Ordinances.

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 adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 10, Health and Sanitation; Article II - Grass, Weed, Obnoxious Materials and Certain Other Provisions; Administrative Adjudication; Procedure; Appeal; Section 10-18 – Administrative Adjudication Hearing Procedure of the Walker Code of Ordinances.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Chief Marliam Lee presented the police report indicating that 501 citations, 988 calls for service and 79 arrests were made in the month of August 2015.

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve Chief Lee's request of a status change for Office Egan Carroll from reserve to full time officer.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to approve Chief Lee's request of a status change for Officer John Sharp from reserve to part time officer.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to approve Chief Lee's request to hire an additional full time police officer for the Walker Police Department.

Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Ramsey requested a special council meeting to be held on Thursday, October 22, 2015 for the presentation of a retail study prepared by the Southeastern Louisiana University Business Research Center. Co sponsored by Livingston Economic Development, Livingston Parish Chamber and Livingston Board of Realtor. This presentation will pinpoint areas that we may be lacking in way that would help develop our city.

Mayor Ramsey stated that Halloween would be held on October 31, 2015 with Trick R Treat being between the hours of 6:00 and 8:00 pm.

Mr. Fred Raiford informed the Council that the roundabouts that are schedule to be installed at the interstate will be starting construction soon.

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

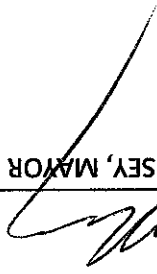
Yeas: Davis, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

RICK RAMSEY, MAYOR



ATTEST:

Myra Streeter, Clerk
MMC, CMA, CAA

