

CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

October 10, 2016

6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on October 10, 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. Gary Griffin.

Mr. Paul Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to adopt the minutes from the September 12, 2016 regular council meeting as presented.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adopt the minutes from the September 26, 2016 special council meeting as presented.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to lift the agenda to discuss Trick-or-Treat and full time status of a police officer.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to have Mrs. Scarlett Major and Mr. Paul Roberts along with Chief Lee act as a committee to contact citizens within in the effective flooded areas regarding their preference on how Trick-or-Treat should be handle in their subdivisions.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to have Officer Mitchell Fouse reinstated from part time to full time status.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. David Addison was supposed to speak regarding his candidacy for Chief of Police, however due to a conflict in scheduling he was unable to attend.

Mr. Joey Booth was present and spoke regarding his candidacy for Chief of Police.

Mrs. Scarlett Major reported from the day of the flood the animal shelter held 99 animals which is over the maximum capacity of 47 and still house 34 to date. The shelter disbursed 25,750 lbs. of food for both dogs and cats as well as litter. Mrs. Major stated that the shelter received a 15,000.00 grant from Petco. The American Humane Society has also awarded a grant for the shelter. The original amount was to be \$4,000.00, however due to others who have contributed donations to the American Human Society the grant maybe for more.

Mr. Fred Raiford gave a FEMA update, providing estimated cost of damages, and indicated that by the time everything is calculated the amount could be as much as \$3,000,000.00, the City's part would be 10% of whatever that total turns out to be.

Mayor Ramsey commented regarding the status of the City's sales tax. Stines Lumber, Wal-Mart and Carters were not affect therefore they have been able to help in stabilizing the sales tax for the City of Walker.

Following a public hearing Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts to approve an ordinance for Budget Amendment #2.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Following a public hearing Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adopt an ordinance annexing 33.42 acres belonging to DBM Holdings adjacent to the east of the Walker Industrial Park.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

Chief Marliam Lee presented the police report indicating that there were 270 citations issued, 1081 calls for service and 83 arrests made in the month of August 2016.

There being no additional comments and no additional business Mr. Jonathan Davis made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adjourn.

Yeas: Cook, Davis, Griffin, Major and Roberts

Nays: None

Absent: None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED


MAYOR RICK RAMSEY