CITY OF WALKER

MINUTES

April 8, 2013 7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held at the Walker City Hall on April 8, 2013 at 7:00pm. Present were Mayor Rick Ramsey, Alderman Jonathan Davis, Gary Griffin, Tracy Girlinghouse, Scarlett Major and Paul Roberts.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Pastor Albert Pendarvis with First Baptist Church of Algiers.

Mr. Paul Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2013 meeting.

Yeas:

Davis, Griffin, Girlinghouse, Major and Roberts

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Candidate for Family Court Judge, Lila Hogan was present and spoke to the council regarding her run of the position.

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major, to approve the variance request of building one foot above the base flood elevation of 36.5" that had been set for lot 68 at 12501 Three lakes Drive.

Yeas:

Davis, Griffin, Girlinghouse, Major and Roberts

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Paul Roberts for the approval of a letter being sent to the Department of Environmental Quality regarding the compliance of all DEQ settlement related issues.

Yeas:

Davis, Griffin, Girlinghouse, Major and Roberts

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis for the approval of Mayor Ramsey appointments of the following Department Heads; Mr. Fred Raiford – Director of Public Works/ Chief Operations Officer; Mrs. Cindy Breaux – Financial Director; Mr. Larry Williams – Gas Superintendent; Mr. Jamie Etheridge – Water/Wastewater Superintendent and Mr. Darren Blevins – Street Superintendent.

Yeas:

Davis, Griffin, Girlinghouse, Major and Roberts

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin, to lift the agenda to discuss a contract with Entergy regarding interstate Lighting.

Yeas:

Davis, Griffin, Girlinghouse, Major and Roberts

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Mr. Paul Roberts made a motion seconded by Mr. Tracy Girlinghouse to enter into a contract with Entergy regarding the Interstate Lighting.

Yeas:

Davis, Griffin, Girlinghouse, Major, and Roberts

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

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

Yeas:

Davis, Griffin, Girlinghouse, Major and Roberts

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

Chief Marliam Lee presented the police report indicating that 475 citations were issued in the month of March.

Mr. Raiford informed the board that DOTD will be installing 36" double pipe under the interstate during the widening project. DOTD will also clean out the box culverts. The City is working with Gravity Drainage to clear out some of the over growth within the canals to help with drainage issues.

Mr. James Phillips questions as to whether the City could get with the Parish and see if there was any way another Drainage District could be developed. Mayor Ramsey informed him there was no millage to fund it.

There being no additional comments or business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Gary Griffin and seconded by Mr. Jonathan Davis to adjourn.

Yeas:

Davis, Griffin, Girlinghouse, Major and Roberts

Nays:

None

Absent:

None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

RICK RAMSEY, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Myra Streeter, Clerk CMC; CMA; CAA