

**CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES**

March 13, 2017

6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on March 13, 2017 at 6:00 pm. Present were Mayor Jimmy Watson, Council members David Clark, Eric Cook, Gary Griffin, Scarlett Major and Richard Wales.

The meeting was opened with prayer led by Mr. Richard Wales.

Mrs. Scarlett Major led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. David Clark made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to adopt the minutes from the February 13, 2017 meeting as presented.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. David Clark made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to adopt the minutes from the March 1, 2017 Special Meeting as presented.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Following a public hearing Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. David Clark to adopt an Ordinance to Re-structure personnel and positions.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Following a public hearing Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adopt an Ordinance to Amend 2017 Annual Budget (Budget Amendment No. 1).

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales approving the Resolution to Amend the City of Walker Handbook to add the additional holidays of Memorial Day and Veterans Day.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales approving the Change Order No. 1 for the Industrial Park.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to appoint Jamie Etheridge as Chief of Operations.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to appoint Jody Stanford as Director of Public Works.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Eric Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gary Griffin to appoint Mr. Mike Cotton as Finance Director.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook approving the Proclamation declaring March 2017 Flood Awareness month.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion to lift the agenda, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Following a discussion concerning a business wrongfully paying sales tax to the City of Walker. Mr. Richard Wales made a motion seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to authorizing the Mayor to make the decisions on implementing a payment plan to reimburse the Livingston Parish School Board for the incorrectly paid sales tax to the City.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Gary Griffin made a motion to proceed with the meeting back in to regular session, seconded by Mr. David Clark.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Chief David Addison presented the police report indicating that **520 citations, 1238 calls for service and 94 arrests** were performed in the month of February 2017.

Mr. Tom Petit spoke to the council about the flooding caused by the development of the Martin Brower project and asked that they come up with a resolution to prevent future flooding issues to his neighborhood.

There being no additional comments and no additional business to discuss, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Eric Cook to adjourn.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major and Wales

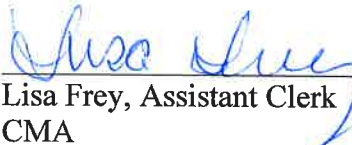
Nays: None

Absent: None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED


MAYOR, JIMMY WATSON

ATTEST:


Lisa Frey, Assistant Clerk
CMA