

City of Walker

Minutes

August 13, 2012

7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and Board of Aldermen was held at the Walker City Hall on August 13, 2012, at 7:00pm. Present were Mayor Bobby Font, Aldermen Arthur Israel, Scarlett Major, James Phillip, Jack Summerell and Richard Wales.

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

Mayor Font led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to adopt the minutes of the July 9, 2012 meeting as presented.

Yeas:	Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

Mrs. Myra Streeter asked that the item for Whitney Bank be removed from the agenda.

Mrs. Myra Streeter began the public hearing with an explanation of how adopting the millage for the City of Walker worked and the reasons behind rolling forward. Following discussion and questions regarding the adoption of the resolutions pertaining to the 2012 adjusted millage rate of 2.18, Mr. Jack Summerell made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to adopt the adjusted millage rate of 2.18 for the year 2012.

Yeas:	Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

During the public hearing and after all discussions and questions were addressed, Mr. James Phillips made a motion to adopt a resolution to roll forward to the millage rate of 2.20 which will not exceed the prior year's millage.

Yeas:	Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

Mr. Arthur Israel made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Scarlett Major to approve the final acceptance of the bridge crane installation at the Wastewater Treatment Plant at a total project cost of \$26,157.00.

Yeas:	Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales
Nays:	None
Absent:	None

Mr. Jack Summerell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to approve the final acceptance of the sewer force main relocation in Peak's Crossing Subdivision. Total cost of the sewer line project was \$39,600.00.

Yeas: Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Arthur Israel to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor Font to sign and enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and between the City of Walker and The Parish of Livingston for the LTAP Grant to upgrade railroad crossing located within the City of Walker.

Yeas: Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Arthur Israel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to approve a resolution authorizing the Mayor Font to submit a grant application and accompanying documents to the Office of Community Development for grant funds (LGAP) to replace a two (2) inch steel water line with a six (6) inch PVC water line to be installed on Park Street.

Yeas: Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Chief Marliam Lee presented the Walker Police Report, indicating 334 citations were issued in the month of July 2012.

Chief Lee requested board approval for the promotion of Officer Brad Lawrence from Private First Class to Corporal.

Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to approve Chief Lee's request regarding Officer Lawrence's promotion to Corporal.

Yeas: Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Chief Lee requested board approval for the promotion of Office Kenath Black from Corporal to Lieutenant.

Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to approve Chief Lee's request regarding Office Black's promotion to Lieutenant.

Yeas: Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Font indicated that the Public Works report was in the booklet and if there were any questions he and Mr. Raiford would be happy to answer them.

Mayor Font commented that he had met with the Department of Transportation regarding the 1.3 million dollars that is owed by the City to the State for the relocation of utility lines along Hwy 447 South. No final paper work has been signed but there is a proposal on the table for the City of Walker to take over ownership of a State Hwy within the City limits. Of the roads that the State is considering at Hwy 447 South (Walker South), Burgess Avenue, Hwy 1029 (Corbin Avenue) or Hwy 449 (North Corbin). Once the State has done all of the appraisals and calculations they will inform the Mayor regarding their decision.

Noticing that there were seven or so individuals in the audience who had indicated they would be running for political office in the fall election, Mayor Font reminded everyone that August 15th – 17th were the days for qualifying. Mayor Font also stated that political signs are not to be placed in the roads right-of-way.

Additional comments were made by Mr. Jack Summerell and Mr. James Phillips commenting on the great job that was done on the striping of Pendarvis Lane.

There being no further comment or business to discuss, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to adjourn.

Yeas: Israel, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

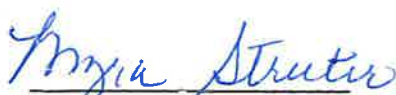
Nays: None

Absent: None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED


BOBBY FONT, MAYOR

ATTEST:


Myra Streeter, Clerk
CMC; CMA; CAA