

CITY OF WALKER

MINUTES

September 12, 2011

7:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and board of alderman was held at the Walker City Hall on September 12, 2011 at 7:00 PM. Present were Mayor Bobby Font, Alderman Elton Burns, Scarlett Major, James Phillips, Jack Summerell and Richard Wales.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Font.

Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2011 meeting as presented.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Donald Burgess, candidate for Livingston Parish President addressed the board and audience expressing his desire for their support in the election.

Mr. Mickey McMorris, candidate for Livingston Parish Sheriff was unable to attend and requested to be placed on the October agenda.

Mrs. Scarlett Major made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell, to approve a Resolution setting the 2011 Millage tax at 0.0022 mills

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Elton Burns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales, to approve a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with the Louisiana Department of Transportation (DOTD), which has awarded the city \$7,500.00 for the Pendarvis Lane Signing Project as part of the Transportation Improvement Project (TIP).

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to approve a Resolution on an application for funds through the Local Government Assistance Program (LAGAP). If approved, funds will be used to purchase fifteen (15) new laptops for the Walker Police Department.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Richard Wales to approve a Resolution adopting the Extra Duty / Secondary Duty / Outside Employment pertaining to the Walker Police Department.

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

Mrs. Scarlett Major introduced an Ordinance to amend the 2011 budget be set for a public hearing at the October 10th council meeting.

Following a public hearing, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion to approve the Ordinance changing the municipal classification of Walker from a Town to a City. Mr. Elton Burns seconded the motion.

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

Following a public hearing, Mr. Jack Summerell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Elton Burns to approve the ordinance on amending Section 10-20, Weeds and Grass Cutting or Removal by City; Collection of Cost.

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

During the public hearing Mrs. Doris Collins Hutson was present to inform the board that she was in favor of the proposed ordinance and her reasons why. After hearing from Mrs. Hutson and with no additional comments, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to adopt the ordinance adding Section 4-28 "Dangerous and Vicious Dogs" to the Code of Ordinances for the City of Walker.

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

Chief Grimes presented the Walker Police Report indicating 251 citations were issued in the month of August, 2011.

Chief Grimes informed the board that he wishes to hire two (2) new reserve officers, Tracy Girlinghouse and William Lawson. He stated their resumes were in the human resources office for the Aldermen's review.

The agenda item, T-Cap was removed from the agenda.

Mr. James Shaw with Car Fax gave a presentation on the program in regards to how it might help with recovering stolen vehicles as well as discussed other aspects of the program

Mr. Elton Burns made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to enter into executive session.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to return to the regular agenda.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. James Phillips made a motion, seconded by Mr. Jack Summerell to approve the appropriate disciplinary action.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Font stated that the week of September 18-24, 2011 was Child Passenger Safety Week.

There being no additional comments or business to discuss, Mr. Richard Wales made a motion to adjourn with a second by Mr. Elton Burns.

Yeas: Burns, Major, Phillips, Summerell and Wales

Nays: None

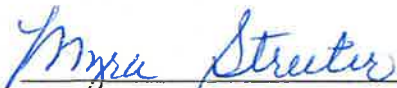
Absent: None

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED



MAYOR BOBBY FONT

ATTEST:



Myra Streeter, Clerk
CMC; CMA; CAA