CITY OF WALKER
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES

November 9, 2026 6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at the Walker City Hall on Monday, November 9, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Jimmy Watson and Council members: David Clark, Eric Cook, Tracy Girlinghouse, Gary Griffin and Scarlett Milton Major.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Mr. Girlinghouse, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clark to approve the minutes from October 12, 2026, council meeting.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

Finance Director Mike Cotton presented the August 2026 financial report. Mr. Cotton reported a net profit of $1.5 million for the period ending August 30, 2026. He also reported a 9.7% increase in sales tax revenue and a 12% increase in natural gas sales.

Chief of Operations, Mr. Jamie Etheridge, presented the following resolution before the council: ***Resolution to Declare City of Walker Property as Surplus.*** This Resolution serves to declare FA 822 as Surplus Property to be disposed of in accordance with Louisiana State Law.

Mr. Cook made a motion, seconded by Mr. Clark, to approve the resolution.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

Attorney, Bobby King presented the following resolution before the council: ***Resolution to Approve Clerk of Court Policy***. This resolution is to adopt a policy that addresses Ticket Accountability, Electronic Ticket Access, and Clerk of Court responsibilities to be implemented for use in the Walker Mayor's Court and Clerk of Court Office.

Mr. Girlinghouse made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Major to approve the resolution.

Yeas: Clark, Cook, Girlinghouse, Griffin, Major

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mr. Griffin introduced an ordinance for the 2026 Annual Budget Amendment Number 7. No further discussion was held.

Mrs. Major introduced an ordinance for the 2027 Annual Budget. No further discussion was held.

Additional Comments

- The 2nd Annual "Walktown Throwdown" Disc Golf Tournament, held on October 26, had a great turnout, with over 70 players and various event sponsors. Jamie Thomas, Parks and Recreation Department, thanked the Mayor, Council, and all who participated.

- The Veterans Day Parade, held on November 7, had a smaller turnout; however, the meal provided at the Community Center was well received.
- City of Walker offices will be closed on November 11, 2026, in observance of Veterans Day.
- The Christmas Parade and Christmas in the Park will be held on December 5, 2026. The parade will begin at 1:00 p.m. and follow its usual route, with festivities at the park continuing until 8:00 p.m.

With no further business to discuss the November 9, 2026 council meeting was adjourned.

The Honorable Jimmy Watson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelsey Murray, Municipal Clerk
LCMDC; CMA