

CITY OF WALKER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

November 12, 2024

6:00 PM

The regular meeting of the Walker Mayor and City Council was held at Walker City Hall—13600 Aydell Lane on Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jimmy Watson, followed by prayer led by Councilman Eric Cook. The Municipal Clerk, Tammy Payton, commenced with the roll call of the council members.

The following council members were present: David Clark, Eric Cook, Gary Griffin, Scarlett Milton-Major and Richard Wales.

Mayor Watson called for a motion to adopt/approve the minutes of the October 14, 2024 council meeting. There were no comments or objections.

A motion was made by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Wales, to approve said minutes.

YEAS: Clark, Cook, Griffin, Major, Wales

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Finance director, Mike Cotton, reviewed the September 2024 finance report before the council. The net profit ending September 30, 2024 was \$2,045,391. It was reported that sales tax increased by 2% and gas revenue increased by 12%.

Ms. Major made the introduction for the following ordinances subject to a public hearing at the December 2024 council meeting.

- *Budget Amendment No. 5*
- *2025 Annual Budget*

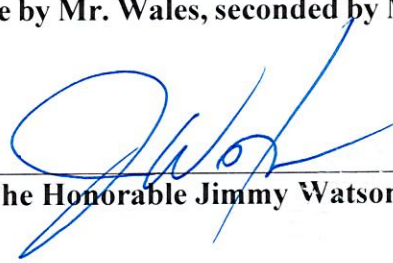
Mr. Wales made an ordinance introduction—*Adjustment to Pay*. The public hearing to be held at the December 204 council meeting.

Chief David Addison was the proud recipient of the Life Saving Award and Medal that was presented to him by Mr. Carl Karnish, VFW#7017 of Denham Springs. Chief Addison's heroic attempt to save a man from drowning last May was heartily acknowledged as he presented him the awards. Chief Addison expressed his gratitude and appreciation.

Additional Comments:

- ◆ Mayor Watson congratulated the council members who will be serving for the 2025-2028 term. December 2024 will complete Mr. Wales' term as a council member. Tracy Girlinghouse (absent) is the newly elected member of the council.
- ◆ The Veterans Day Parade was held Saturday, November 9th.
- ◆ Mayor Watson read the City of Walker of Christmas Events schedule.
- ◆ Ms. Major announced that the City of Walker will hold its Annual Christmas Light Contest.
- ◆ A slideshow of the free vaccine and microchip clinic held at the Walker Community Center on Sunday, October 20, 2024 was an enormous success. There were 234 dogs and one mini pig serviced.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Mr. Wales, seconded by Mr. Cook, to adjourn the November 12, 2024 council meeting.



The Honorable Jimmy Watson, Mayor

Attest:



Tammy Payton, Municipal Clerk