

**WALKER CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
4243 REMEMBRANCE RD.
JANUARY 25, 2010**

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING:

Mayor VerHeulen called the Committee of the Whole Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor VerHeulen gave an update on the concern the US Taxpayers Party of Michigan have with the Business Licensing Ordinance. Our Attorney, Jeff Sluggett revised section 22-6, this will be presented to the Ordinance committee on February 2, 2010, for their review.

Marcy Kneibel, Recreation Department, presented the Memorial Day Parade cost. It was confirmed that Keller Ford and the Standale Downtown Development Authority (DDA) will sponsor the parade. The Commission agreed to move forward with holding the parade with sponsorship by Keller Ford and DDA. The Commission stated it is important to have a banner at the beginning of the parade, advertising the sponsors.

Commissioner Versluis stated it would be nice to invite any Walker veteran to participate in our parade.

Marcy Kneibel, Recreation Department, presented the Easter Egg Hunt cost. It was discussed that Coopersville Jaycee's would like to run this event as a community project. This would reduce the need for city staff to work the event. The Commission agreed to move forward with holding the Easter Egg Hunt with Coopersville Jaycee's running this event.

Mark Koning, Department of Public Works, presented the cost for Clean-up days. Discussion was held to consider charging a per vehicle fee for this program. The DPW will adjust their work schedule to reduce their over-time cost during this event. The Commission agreed to the proposed fee schedule for 2010 clean-up days.

Public Comment: No public comment was given.

REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING:

Mayor VerHeulen called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Commissioner Versluis gave the invocation and the City Clerk called the roll.

Present: Mayor Rob VerHeulen, Commissioners: Al Parent, Dan Kent, Barb Holt, Charles Deschaine, Steve Versluis and Cyndy Stek. Also Present: Assistant City Manager Darrel Schmalzel.

Motion by Deschaine, seconded by Versluis, to approve Strategic Planning Session Minutes of 1-9-10. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Parent, seconded by Holt, to approve Commission Meeting Minutes of 1-11-10. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kent, seconded by Versluis, to approve Commission/Staff Meeting Minutes of 1-18-10. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Public comment was received from Bill Mohr, Chairman of US Taxpayers Party of Michigan.

Motion by Deschaine, seconded by Kent, to approve the expenditures in the amount of \$912,970.05. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding scheduling all department heads to present their 2010-2011 budgets to the City Commission.

Motion by Versluis, seconded by Stek, to approve 2010 Special Assessment Roll for Walker-Standale Streetscape Maintenance, Special Assessment District #197. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Kent, seconded by Parent, to approve Second Reading of PR-ORD 09-476 Rezoning of 814 Harding St NW. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Holt, seconded by Stek, to approve Second Reading of ORD 10-577 International Property Maintenance Code Revisions. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment: Public comment was received from Bruce Kamps.

Motion by Deschaine, seconded by Kent, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Bydalek
City Clerk