

**CITY OF WALKER  
COMMISSION/STAFF MINUTES  
MAY 17, 2010**

Mayor VerHeulen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor VerHeulen, Commissioners: Holt, Parent, Versluis, Deschaine, Kent, and Stek.

Also Present: City Manager Vander Meulen and Assistant City Manager Schmalzel.

Absent: None

Scott Conners, City Engineer, was present to review a letter he drafted to MDOT at the request of the Commission. He reported that after speaking with MDOT that have placed Wilson Avenue on their project list for 2014 for minor improvements until a full project can be completed. The Commission requested that Mr. Conners adjust his letter to reflect this new information and submit to MDOT. They also suggested that staff contact the school and MDOT to hold a meeting about the new project and its impact.

The Commission reviewed the Kent County Dispatch Agreement and discussed the impact it will have on the current Walker Dispatch employees.

Motion by Deschaine, second by Parent, to approve the agreement with the condition that the ending date be changed to December 31, 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the Letter of Agreement with the dispatchers. They granted City Manager Vander Meulen permission to sign the letter on their behalf.

The Fire Department Sub Committee submitted a report of findings. The Commission reviewed the report. The non-Committee members of the Commission requested more time to consider the findings. The consensus from the Commission was that staff could proceed with meeting with the Personnel Committee to formulate job titles, descriptions, etc and the Commission would discuss it again at the regular Commission Meeting May 24 2010.

Staff reports were reviewed by the Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Bales  
Deputy City Clerk