

**City of Walton
Council Meeting
May 8, 2018**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Gabe Brown.

Invocation/Pledge

Walton resident Paula Burden gave the invocation and led everyone in the pledge to the flag.

Roll Call

Mayor Gabe Brown, Councilmember Carl Dietz, Councilmember John Wainwright, Councilmember Bobby McDonald, Councilmember Rose Beach, Councilmember Stephanie Williams, Councilmember Matt Brown.

Also Present

City Attorney – Mike Duncan, Esq.
City Engineer – Matt Bogan
Sheriff Dept. – Major Bill Mark
Judge Executive – Gary Moore
Assistant City Clerk – Tammy Wilhoite

Announcements

- May 26, youth program at Senior Center
- May 28, City Hall closed in observance of Memorial Day
- June 5, caucus meeting at City Hall 6:30 p.m.
- June 12, council meeting at Senior Center 7:30 p.m.
- June 9th City wide yard sale (no permit needed)
- June 23 movie night at Walton city park (to be announced)

Proclamation

Mayor Gabe Brown read a Proclamation declaring June 3rd through June 9th, National Garden Week. Mayor Brown presented a plaque with the Proclamation to Mrs. Evalyn Hance.

Approval of Agenda

Councilmember Rose Beach motioned to approve the Agenda and Councilmember Matt Brown seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

Approval of Previous Minutes March 6, Special Meeting, April 10, regular Council Meeting

Councilmember Stephanie Williams motioned to approve the March 6, Special Meeting and April 10, regular Council Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Rose Beach seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

Proclamation

Mayor Gabe Brown read a Proclamation declaring May 8th, Steve Cauthen Day. Mayor Brown presented a plaque with the Proclamation to Mr. Steve Cauthen, he also presented Mr. Cauthen with a key to the City of Walton.

Sheriff Department

Major Bill Mark gave an update on police activity in the City of Walton from the month of April, he passed out a hand out showing what all the calls made to the Sheriff Department address within the City. Major Mark addressed the criminal activity at the Walton City Park on April 18, where several items were damaged. Major Mark pointed out that there was no criminal activity in the City Park in the year 2017, he also mentioned that there is an officer in the park on average one time per shift.

Judge Executive

Judge Moore touched on the budget for Boone County and different projects that are going to be upcoming, he mentioned the growth in the County and that with all of the new permits that have been issued including residential, commercial they total about thirteen million. Judge Moore also gave Council suggestions on grants to apply for that would assist with projects such as sidewalks, extra turn lane at Walton-Verona exit at Mary Grubbs Hwy.

City Engineer

Matt Bogan addressed the progression of the High Street Pedestrian Bridge, he also discussed the School Rd turn lane, Ryan Lift Station and High Street Pocket Park.

Citizen comments

Delores Cheesman spoke about her concerns that local children will not get enough food in the summer months, she is interested in starting a program to pass out food boxes during summer months, at the city park. Mrs. Cheesman also reminded everyone that the soup kitchen located at 16 Depot St. is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays for lunch to anyone who would like to come.

Mr. Tom Anderson addressed a water drainage problem that is located at Mulberry and Edwards Ave., Mayor Gabe Brown asked the City Engineer if he could would get in touch with Mr. Anderson to discuss the issue. Charles Wartman who runs a boxing gym addressed Council and Mayor to express his interest in leasing 35 N Main St for his boxing gym. Mr. Wartman had several people with him in support of the boxing gym, they consisted of parents, coaches and students. Resident Gary Manning spoke to say that he would like to see Walton get back to where they once where as far as community involvement, he would like to see more programs to bring the community together.

Discussion/Action – Accepting the bid for High Street Pocket Park.

Councilmember Matt Brown made a motion to accept the bid for the High Street Pocket Park, Councilmember Bobby Brown seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2018-01

A MUNICIPAL ORDER OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, APPOINTING AND APPROVING CAITLIN FUGATE TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF MICHAEL BRYAN ON THE CITY OF WALTON BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR THE REMAINDER OF HIS FULL, FOUR (4) YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2019, OR AS SOON AS HER SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED, APPROVED, IS QUALIFIED AND SWORN IN.

Councilmember Matt Brown made a motion to approve, Councilmember John Wainwright seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

MUNICIPAL ORDER 2018-02

A MUNICIPAL ORDER OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, APPOINTING AND APPROVING SHARON L. STEVENSON AS CITY CLERK/FINANCE AND AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY ATTORNEY TO WORK OUT THE TERMS OF HER EMPLOYMENT.

Councilmember Rose Beach made a motion to approve, Councilmember Matt Brown seconded that motion. **Vote 5 yes, 1 no** -Councilmember Stephanie Williams.

RESOLUTION NO. 2018-01

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Councilmember John Wainwright made a motion to approve, Councilmember Carl Dietz seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

RESOLUTION NO.2018-02

MUNICIPAL ROAD AID COOPERATIVE PROGRAM AGREEMENT

Councilmember Matt Brown made a motion to approve the Resolution and Agreement.

Councilmember John Wainwright seconded the motion.

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-02

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE CITY OF WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, IN ORDER TO CLASSIFY VIOLATIONS OF THE CITY'S PARKING ORDINANCES AS CIVIL OFFENSES WITH CIVIL FINES, THEREBY SUBJECTING SUCH VIOLATIONS TO THE CITY'S CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCES PROCEDURES.

Councilmember Matt Brown made a motion to approve, Councilmember John Wainwright seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE CITY OF WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, IN ORDER TO PROHIBIT THE PARKING OR PLACEMENT OF ANY PORTABLE STORAGE UNIT, PORTABLE MOVING CONTAINER, OR SIMILAR, AT ANY TIME, IN OR ON ANY PUBLIC WAY, STREET, SIDEWALK OR ROAD IN THE CITY OF WALTON.

Councilmember Matt Brown made a motion to approve, Councilmember Carl Dietz seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE CITY OF WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, IN ORDER TO CLASSIFY VIOLATIONS OF THE CITY'S ZONING ORDINANCES AS CIVIL OFFENSES WITH CIVIL FINES, THEREBY SUBJECTING SUCH VIOLATIONS TO THE CITY'S CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCES PROCEDURES.

Councilmember John Wainwright made a motion to approve, Councilmember Car Dietz seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, AMENDING SECTION 34.65 OF THE CITY OF WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR A NON-LAW ENFORCEMENT CITATION OFFICER TO SERVE AS CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER TO ENFORCE VIOLATIONS OF THE CITY’S ORDINANCES WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO THE CITY’S CODE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCES PROCEDURES.

Councilmember Matt Brown made a motion to approve, Councilmember Bobby McDonald seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

FIRST READING ORDINANCE NO. 2018-06

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE CITY OF WALTON PERSONNEL POLICIES.

Councilmember Matt Brown made a motion to approve, Councilmember John Wainwright seconded that motion. **Vote 6 yes**

Council Comments

Councilmember Carl Dietz commented that he appreciated everyone who came out to the Council meeting.

Councilmember John Wainwright addressed that the city is in need of volunteers for Old Fashion Day, he also addressed that the boxing gym was a financial investment the city would have to incur. The building at 35 N. Main St is not up to code and he questioned if this is the best way to spend tax payor money.

Councilmember Stephanie Williams wished all of the moms and moms to be a Happy Mother’s Day!

Mayor Comments

Mayor Gabe Brown addressed that he along with council will discuss what to do with the building at 35 N Main St. Mayor Brown let everyone know that he had the forms needed to run for council or Mayor and that the filing date is open now and closes August 14, 2018, the filing fee is \$50.00.

Councilmember John Wainwright made a motion to go into closed session PER KRS 61.810(1) (B) citing his reason as need for discussion of sale of real property.

No action taken in closed session.

Councilmember John Wainwright made a motion to approve the surplus sale of 31 and 35 N Main St. Councilmember Carl Dietz seconded that motion. **Voting yes;** Councilmembers Carl Dietz, John Wainwright, Matt Brown, Bobby McDonald. **Voting no;** Councilmembers Rose Beach, Matt Brown. Motion passed.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Matt Brown and seconded by councilmember Bobby McDonald. **Vote 6 yes** Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Gabe Brown, Mayor

Tammy Wilhoite, Assistant City Clerk