

City of Walton
Council Meeting Minutes
Public Hearing
March 9, 2021 at 6:45 p.m.
Virtual Zoom Meeting

Public Hearing CDBG-CV GRANT at 6:45 p.m. was conducted by Stephanie King with the NKADD. Stephanie explained the process for applying for grant money to assist with utility bills. Residents will be applying for the money through a certification form and the money will be going through the Community Action Commission.

Attendance attached.

The Invocation and Pledge was led by: Mayor Gabe Brown

Call to Order / Roll Call

The Common Council of the City of Walton, Kentucky met in a zoom City Council Meeting Tuesday March 9, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. with the following present: Mayor Gabe Brown, Council Member, Howard Stevens, Terri Courtney, Bobby McDonald, Dan Martin, Sherry Snowden, and Matt Brown. Also, present City Attorney Mike Duncan, Assistant City Clerk Tammy Wilhoite, Waterworks/Public works supervisor Roger Williams, City Engineer Matt Bogen, Major Bill Mark, Fire Chief Joey Vest.

Announcements

- April 3, Easter Egg Hunt at Walton City Park 2:00 p.m.
- April 6, Caucus Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Walton Senior Center (zoom link available)
- April 13, Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Walton Senior Center (zoom link available)

Approval of Agenda

Council Member Bobby McDonald made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Howard Stevens seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “yes”: Bobby McDonald, Matt Brown, Terri Courtney, Howard Stevens, Dan Martin, and Sherry Snowden.

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Bobby McDonald made a motion to approve the minutes of the Caucus Meeting on February 2, City Council Meeting February 9, 2021. Council Member Dan Martin seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “yes”: Bobby McDonald, Matt Brown, Terri Courtney, Howard Stevens, Dan Martin, and Sherry Snowden.

Resolution 2021-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KY, IN BOONE COUNTY AND KENTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY, TO SIGN AND FILE A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK- CV GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125,000 PROVIDE UTILITY RELIEF FUNDING TO RESIDENTS. Council Member Bobby McDonald made a motion to approve the resolution and Council Member Howard Stevens seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “yes” Bobby McDonald, Matt Brown, Terri Courtney, Howard Stevens, Dan Martin, and Sherry Snowden.

Second Reading – Ordinance No. 2021-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020-09 AND SECTION 35.01 OF THE WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES, IN ORDER TO ADOPT AND APPROVE REVISIONS TO THE CITY’S PERSONNEL POLICIES EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK PERTAINING TO EMPLOYEE PAY INCREASES. Council Member Bobby McDonald made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-03 and Council Member Terri Courtney seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “yes” Bobby McDonald, Matt Brown, Terri Courtney, Howard Stevens, Dan Martin, and Sherry Snowden.

Discussion of Mayor’s administrative authority in relation to employee handbook

City Attorney Mike Duncan explained to council the recent raises given to employees were within the Mayor’s authority.

Citizen Comments

- Major Bill Mark of the Boone Co. Sheriff Department read his monthly report of activity within the city of Walton throughout the month of February.
- Fire Chief Joey Vest gave an update on water usage for the proposed training center at the Owens property and location of the entrance of the training center.
- City Engineer Matt Bogen discussed several issues including the High Street Bridge, 2021 Road projects including Locust St, Short Needmore St, High School Ct. (Curb/sidewalk repairs), Towne Center Dr. (striping), Percival Rd. Ashwood storm repairs, Owens Property site development, Road issues on state Routes. Mr. Bogen also discussed street repairs needed on Haley Ln.

Mayor Comments

Mayor Gabe Brown informed everyone that the Gaines Tavern located at 150 Old Nicholson Rd was broken into over the weekend of March 6, 7. He noted that the only damage to the house was to the front door. The Mayor also mentioned that they are looking into getting cameras at the Gaines Tavern House. The Mayor also gave updates on what businesses were coming to the city; Senior Apartments, car wash, Wendy’s, Starbucks. The Mayor also gave a shout out of thanks to boy scout troop 833 for all of their volunteer work in the City. Council Member Martin inquired about timeline for project on Ashwood and Mr. Bogen responded it should be finished sometime by the week end of March 12. Council Member Stevens inquired about making sidewalks ADA compliant along City Hall and Mr. Bogen gave an update as to how to bring the sidewalks into compliance.

Council Comments

No comments

Adjourn

Council Member Bobby McDonald made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Council Member Terri Courtney seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following Council Members voted “yes”: Bobby McDonald, Matt Brown, Terri Courtney, Howard Stevens, Dan Martin, and Sherry Snowden.

Attest:

Approved:

Tammy Wilhoite, Assistant City Clerk

Gabe Brown, Mayor