

City of Walton
Caucus and Special Called Council Meeting
April 1, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.
Walton Senior Center
44 N Main St. Walton, KY 41094

****The City of Walton, pursuant of KRS 83A.130(11) and KRS 61.823 (2), has called a Special Meeting of the Council for Wednesday, April 1, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. ****

Call to Order

The Common Council of the City of Walton, Kentucky met for a Council meeting Monday, April 1, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. with the following present: Council members Dan Martin who led the meeting, Rose Beach, Amy Long, Terri Courtney, Sherry Gaskill, Matt Brown and Dan Martin.

Invocation/Pledge Invocation led by Council member Amy Long; Pledge led by Dan Martin.

Discussion of City Business

- Parks
- Brent Caldwell- gave his monthly Code Enforcement report.
- City Cleanup - April 25th, 26th, 27th & 28th
- City Hall sign
- Banners

Citizens Comments

Mike Wood- commented on the lyrics to a song posted by Mayor Brown in a video of the park on the City Facebook he found it offensive.

Barb Farrow- Suggested that council do a better job of knowing what is happening in the city.

Mark Carnahan- Asked about the city Facebook account and how it worked. He also asked about the rescinded resignation of Mayor Brown. He was answered by several council members.

Dena Flege- Asked what the next steps are with the mayor and how the censorship worked, she was answered by several council members. City Attorney Mike Duncan quoted removal statute and stated that there will be a hearing and evidence will be given, however the mayor does have the right to appeal.

- 1. ORDINANCE NO. 2024-03 Second Reading AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, CREATING A NEW SECTION OF CHAPTER 36 OF THE CITY OF WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO ADOPT A POLICY FOR THE USE OF THE CITY AUTOMOBILE BY CITY EMPLOYEES,**

OFFICERS, AND ELECTED OFFICIALS. Council member Terri Courtney motioned to approve amending with infractions Ordinance 2024-03. Sherry Gaskill seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following council members voted “yes”: Rose Beach, Amy Long, Dan Martin, Sherry Gaskill, Terri Courtney, and Matt Brown. Council Member Dan Martin motioned to approve Ordinance 2024-03. Sherry Gaskill seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following council members voted “yes”: Rose Beach, Amy Long, Dan Martin, Sherry Gaskill, Terri Courtney, and Matt Brown.

2. **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04 Second Reading** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, AMENDING THE CITY OF WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR SOLICITING, OBTAINING AND APPROVING BIDS BEFORE ANY CONTRACT IS ENTERED INTO OR PURCHASE MADE USING CITY FUNDS OF MORE THAN TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$20,000); AND PRESCRIBING THE CONTENTS FOR THE BIDS AND ANY INVOICES SUBMITTED FOR PAYMENT BY THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER AND ANY CONTRACTOR PERFORMING WORK FOR THE CITY. Council member Matt Brown motioned to approve Ordinance 2024-04. Sherry Gaskill seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following council members voted “yes”: Rose Beach, Amy Long, Sherry Gaskill, Dan Martin, Terri Courtney, and Matt Brown.
3. **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-05 First Reading** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALTON, KENTUCKY, AMENDING SECTION 31.03(F) OF THE CITY OF WALTON CODE OF ORDINANCES IN ORDER TO REVISE THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE TIMING OF PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION FOR THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL. Council member Matt Brown made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-05. Amy Long seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following council member voted “yes”: Rose Beach, Amy Long, Sherry Gaskill, Dan Martin, Terri Courtney, and Matt Brown.
4. **Discussion/Nominations/Selection of someone to fill the vacancy in the Office of Mayor.**
5. **Executive (closed) session**

Council member Dan Martin made a motion to go into executive (closed) session at 7:32. Purpose of KRS 61.810 (1) (f) Discussions or hearings which might lead to the appointment, discipline, or dismissal of an individual employee, member, or student without restricting that employee's, member's, or student's right to a public hearing if requested. This exception shall not be interpreted to permit discussion of general personnel matters in secret. Council member Terri Courtney seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following council members voted “yes”: Rose Beach, Amy Long, Sherry Gaskill, Dan Martin, Terri Courtney, and Matt Brown.

Council member Dan Martin motioned to go out of executive (closed) session at 9:55. Council Member Terri Courtney seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following council members voted “yes”: Rose Beach, Amy Long, Dan Martin, Sherry Gaskill, Terri Courtney, and Matt Brown.

Adjourn

Council member Rose Beach made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 p.m. Council member Terri Courtney seconded the motion. Upon roll call the following council members voted “yes”: Rose Beach, Amy Long, Dan Martin, Sherry Gaskill, Terri Courtney, and Matt Brown.

Approved:

Dan Martin, Council Member

Attest:

Gevana Hicks, City Clerk

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