

**WALKER CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
WALKER FIRE HALL MEETING ROOM  
Monday June 4, 2007**

**CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Walhof**

- Mayor Walhof called the regular scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- Council members present: Fjelstul, Finney, Worth, Wilkening, Walhof
- Council members absent: None
- Others present during portions of the meeting included:

Terri Bjorklund, Administrator  
Wayne Tennis, Police Chief  
Jeff Kellogg, Resident  
Derek Anderson, Landecker & Assoc.  
Andy Peek, SEH  
Edy Asell, Planning & Zoning  
Travis Baker, Police Officer  
Cindy Wannarka, L.L. Chamber  
Char Moore, Resident  
Dave Norson, Norson Inc.  
Judy Anderson, Lucky Moose  
Terry Freeman, Cass Co EDC  
Ivan Peterson, Hideaway Properties  
Deb Wieman, Resident

Sylvia Bakker, City Employee  
John Valen, City Attorney  
Will Hoyt, Landecker & Assoc.  
Terry Freeman, Landecker & Assoc.  
Loren Hein, Turf Tech  
Rosie Ochs, Resident  
Dean Morrill, Pilot  
Willard Arends, Resident  
Robert Moore, Planning & Zoning  
Dawn Anderson, Lucky Moose  
Gail Levenson, Cass Co EDC  
Mara Loomis, WACC  
Terry Hanson, Norson Inc.

**CONSENT AGENDA – Mayor Walhof**

M/S Fjelstul, Finney to approve the consent agenda items 1 thru 6 as follows:

1. Approve Walker City Council Regular Meeting Minutes of May 7, 2007.
2. Approve May 2007 disbursements.
3. Approve Cash Balance report as of April 30, 2007.
4. Review and file Walker Police Departments Monthly Report.
5. Review and file Walker Ambulance Departments Call Summary.
6. Review and file Cass County EDC's April 2007 Activity Report.
7. Addition of Terry Freeman, under scheduled Citizen Presentations

**SCHEDULED CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS – Mayor Walhof**

- Andy Peek updated the Council on the progress of the Airport Project, and explained that the City would need to act on a couple of Resolutions later in the meeting, and he would draft the wording and have it available then.
- Loren Hein, Turf Tech explained to the Council the applications of Herbicide and fertilization control.

- Edy Asell, Planning & Zoning, presented the Council a Memo from her and Randy Carlson, members of the Planning Commission.
- Terry Freeman, Vice President of the Cass County EDC presented the City a Plaque in recognition of their support for the last three years.

**CITY STAFF COMMENTS/CONCERNS – Administrator Terri Bjorklund**

- Wayne Tennis explained to the Council the Police Departments participation in a lottery drawing for a wireless video transmitter and briefcase receiver kit for on-body and off-body video surveillance.
- Review and file letter from Leech Lake Area Chamber of Commerce.
- Review and file letter from Jim Wychor Communications.
- Mayor Walhof expressed his Thanks to Cindy Wannarka and her staff for the outstanding job they did organizing the Governor’s Fishing Opener.

**PERSONNEL, BUDGET & ADMINISTRATION – Councilmember Fjelstul**

1. **M/S** Fjelstul, Worth to approve and file Minnesota Department of Public Safety Lease agreement.

Motion passed: 5-0

2. **M/S** Fjelstul, Finney to approve payment of the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust premiums, in the amount of \$82,253.00.

Motion passed: 5-0

3. **M/S** Wilkening, Worth to approve acceptance of letter of intent to retire from Bonnie Michel, Deputy Registrar.

Motion passed: 5-0

4. **M/S** Finney, Worth to approve advertising for an open position within the City of Walker.

Motion passed: 5-0

5. **M/S** Wilkening, Worth to approve Walker Police Departments request to act on behalf of the WHA’s School District in receiving a COPS grant for safer schools.

Motion passed: 5-0

6. **M/S** Finney, Wilkening to approve Walker Police Department’s request to submit an application for the lottery draw of a wireless video camera and receiver for the Police Department.

Motion passed: 5-0

7. **M/S** Fjelstul, Finney to approve request to hire Keith Felbaum to do an Independent Fee Review of the Airport’s Engineering costs, not to exceed \$500.00

8. **M/S** Fjelstul, Wilkening to approve Resolution # 18-2007, a resolution to authorize FAA Grant request.

Roll Call: Ayes: Finney, Fjelstul, Wilkening, Worth, Walhof Nyes: None

Motion passed: 5-0

9. **M/S** Finney, Wilkening Resolution # 19-2007, a resolution to authorize the City Administrator to contact the FAA for a grant request.

Roll Call: Ayes: Finney, Fjelstul, Wilkening, Worth, Walhof Nyes: None

Motion passed: 5-0

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Council member Wilkening**

1. **M/S** Worth, Finney to approve Walker Planning Commissions Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2007.

Motion passed: 5-0

2. **M/S** Fjelstul, Finney to approve Walker Planning Commissions recommendation to approve the Final Plat for Hideaway Properties, contingent that items T (grading) and Y (water/sewer usage) of the City's Zoning Code are provided to the City.

Motion passed: 4-0 Nye: Wilkening

3. **M/S** Wilkening, Finney to approve Walker Planning Commissions recommendation the City enforce Ordinance #154.042, Section D, page 58 of the sign Ordinance and have City Workers remove any sign without attached City Permit starting July 2007.

Motion passed: 5-0

4. **M/S** to deny Walker Planning Commissions recommendation to comply with Section 154.129, Par. J, page 115 to void the Conditional Use Permit for the Chase Hotel Project, and send it back to Planning and Zoning for review of new information and extension of the CUP.

Motion passed: 5-0

5. **M/S** Wilkening, Fjelstul to deny Walker Planning Commission recommendation to comply with Section 154.129, Par. J, page 115 to void the Conditional Use Permit for the Reggie Thiel Project, and send it back to Planning & Zoning for review.

Motion passed: 5-0

6. **M/S** Fjelstul, Wilkening to approve Walker Planning Commissions Public Hearing Minutes of Tuesday May 29, 2007.

Motion passed: 5-0

7. **M/S** Fjelstul, Wilkening, to approve Resolution # 17-2007, a Resolution to amend Ordinance #154.066.

Roll Call: Ayes: Finney, Fjelstul, Wilkening, Worth Walhof Nyes: None

Motion passed: 5-0

8. **M/S** Fjelstul, Wilkening to approve Walker Planning Commissions recommendation to allow a conditional use permit for a RV Park on the Kellogg property, subject to the provisions of the Ordinance.

Motion passed: 5-0

**PARKS & RECREATION/LIBRARY – Council member Worth**

1. **M/S** Fjelstul, Finney to approve Walker Park Board's minutes of May 22, 2007.

Motion passed: 5-0

2. **M/S** Wilkening, Fjelstul to approve advertising for a Public Hearing for a variance for height restrictions, for a donated Light House for the Walker City Park.

Motion passed: 5-0

3. **M/S** Wilkening, Worth to approve advertising for renovations of the Restrooms in Walker City Park.

Motion passed: 5-0

4. **M/S** Fjelstul, Finney to approve quote from Turf Tech, in the amount of \$1,751.92 for lawn fertilization and weed control at the Walker City Park.

Motion passed: 5-0

5. **M/S** Wilkening, Worth to approve quote from Turf Tech, in the amount of \$80.00 for lawn fertilization and weed control at the Walker Library.

Motion passed: 5-0

**PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY/CEMETERY – Council member Finney**

1. **M/S** Wilkening, Fjelstul to approve payment of Invoice #21, in the amount of \$669.00 to Quality Control & Integration, Inc. to repair the Water Tower Communication Failure.

Motion passed: 5-0

2. **M/S** Fjelstul, Finney to approve payment of Invoice #S01081101.001 in the amount of \$2,397.01 to Northern Water Works Supply for the meter for the Walker Area Community Center.

Motion passed: 5-0

3. **M/S** Wilkening, Fjelstul to approve quote from Turf Tech, in the amount of \$415.36 for lawn fertilization and weed control at the City Hall/Chamber Building.

Motion passed: 5-0

4. **M/S** Fjelstul, Wilkening to approve payment of Change Order in the amount of \$2,497.76, to Aspen Construction on the Tower Ave. & 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Project.

Motion passed: 5-0

5. **M/S** Wilkening, Worth to approve Walker Fire Department's request to close 5<sup>th</sup> Street on July 7<sup>th</sup>, for the Firemen's Dance, and send letter to the County for approval.

Motion passed: 5-0

6. **M/S** Fjelstul, Wilkening to approve granting a 1 to 4 day temporary Liquor License for the Walker Fire Department for the July 7, 2007 Firemen's Dance, contingent upon receiving the Liquor Liability Insurance Certificate.

Motion passed: 5-0

7. **M/S** Wilkening, Worth to approve granting a 1 to 4 day temporary Liquor License to the Walker Area Chamber of Commerce on July 22, 2007, for the TRAM Bike Tour, contingent upon receiving the Liquor Liability Insurance Certificate.

Motion passed: 5-0

8. **M/S** Fjelstul, Finney to approve payment of Invoice B1081, in the amount of \$2,070.00 to North Memorial EMS Education for Basic Refresher Training.

Motion passed: 5-0

9. **M/S** Fjelstul, Worth to approve payment of Invoice B1098, in the amount of \$1,950.00 to North Memorial EMS Education, for EMT Basic Training.

Motion passed: 5-0

10. **M/S** Fjelstul, Finney to approve Resolution #16-2007, a Resolution amending Ordinance #7-2004, Evergreen Cemetery Rules & Regulations.

Roll Call: Ayes: Finney, Fjelstul, Wilkening, Worth, Walhof Nyes: None

Motion passed: 5-0

11. **M/S** Worth, Wilkening to approve Public Works recommendation to post Walker Bay Blvd, from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Entrance to 50 feet beyond the curve area No Parking on the Country Inn side of the street.

Motion passed: 5-0

12. **M/S** Wilkening, Finney to approve the Public Works Committee's recommendation to release \$114,000.00 of the escrow account to the Walker Area Community Center.

Motion passed: 4-0 Council member Worth abstained.

13. **M/S** Wilkening, Fjelstul to approve payment of voucher # 4, in the amount of \$123,732.67 to Aspen Construction for work completed on the Tower Ave. & 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Project.

Motion passed: 5-0

**OTHER BUSINESS – Mayor Walhof**

No other business

**ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Walhof**

Mayor Walhof adjourned the meeting at 9:31 p.m.

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Bradley J. Walhof, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terri Bjorklund, Administrator