

**WALKER CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
WALKER FIRE HALL MEETING ROOM  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2015**

**CALL TO ORDER –Mayor Shaw**

- Mayor Jed Shaw called the regular scheduled meeting to order at 5:00p.m.
- Pledge of Allegiance
  - Council members present: Shaw, McMurrin and Wilkening
  - Council members absent: Haefele, Senenfelder
  - Others present during portions of the meeting included:  
Terri Bjorklund, City Administrator  
Chris Thorson, Ulteig

**CONSENT AGENDA**

M/S Wilkening/McMurrin to approve the Consent Agenda Items 1 thru 2 as follows, waving the reading.

1. Approve to pay the Minnesota Association of Small Cities Membership Dues for 2014-2015 in the amount of \$541.65.
2. Review and file letter HomeServe an independent provider of emergency home repair service plans.

Motion passed (3-0)

**SCHEDULED CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS –Mayor Shaw**

None

**CITY STAFF COMMENTS – Administrator Terri Bjorklund**

None

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

1. M/S Wilkening/McMurrin to approve of Membership Service Agreement between the City of Walker and the Cass County Economic Development Corporation and to pay Cass County Economic Development Corporation in the amount of \$1,575.00 to perform the services in said agreement.  
Motion passed (3-0)
2. M/S McMurrin/Wilkening to transfer \$10,000.00 of the 2015 LMCIT Property/Casualty Dividend from the General Fund to the 2017 Sidewalk project fund  
Motion passed (3-0)
3. M/S Wilkening/McMurrin to approve of the transfer request from the Accounting Department to transfer \$18,200.17 from the General Account 101 to the project account 103 for payment of Ulteig Invoice 54415.  
Motion passed (3-0)

4. **M/S Wilkening/McMurrin** to approve to pay Graham Refrigeration in the amount of \$5,148.29 for the emergency repair and replacement of the condensing unit for the beer cave at Walker Bay Spirits.

Motion passed (3-0)

**Presentation by Chris Thorson (Ulteig)**

Preliminary Engineering and Feasibility Report For:

**Fifth Street N.** – Between Minnesota Avenue and the northerly point of Fifth Street N

**Fifth Street S.** – Between Minnesota Avenue and the southerly point of Fifth Street S

**Fourth Street S.** – Between Michigan Avenue and the southerly point of Fourth Street S

**Third Street S.** – Between Michigan Avenue and the southerly point of Third Street S

**Second Street S.** – Between Michigan Avenue and the intersection of Summit Avenue

**Michigan Avenue** – Between Minnesota Avenue and the intersection of Seventh Street

**Tower Avenue** – Between Fourth Street S. and Fifth Street S

**Birchwood Avenue W.** – Between Fourth Street S. and Fifth Street S

**Park Avenue W.** - Between Fourth Street S. and Fifth Street S

Mr. Thorson outlined project area above, Cass County will cover most of the costs on the fifth street N part of the project approximately \$295,000.00 city portion, discussion on working towards a better traffic flow at the entrance to Super One off of Michigan and Seventh Street. Michigan portion of the project would include the lift station rebuild on the corner of seventh and Cleveland, discussed Walker Floral driving over sidewalk, curb cut-out was considered it was decided to leave the plan as is and request they park on the street. Discussed driveways with difficult inclines these are to be addressed in project. Discussion on the sidewalks and the walkability of the city in conjunction with the Comprehensive Plan the Engineer is to look into Fifth Street for sidewalk improvements. Total project cost estimated to be \$5,920,000. Once bids come in we can submit to PFA for funding and grant forgiveness prior to awarding bid.

The full report is available for review.

The council will consider the improvement of such streets in accordance with the report and the assessment of abutting property for all of the cost of the improvement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 429 at an estimated total cost of the improvement of \$5,920,000.00.

5. **M/S Wilkening/McMurrin** to approve of the preliminary engineering report on the 2016 Southside Area and Fifth Street North Utility and Street Improvements.

Motion passed (3-0)

6. **M/S Wilkening/ McMurrin** to approve of Resolution 37-2015, a resolution receiving report and calling for a public hearing on improvement.

Motion passed (3-0) Roll Call Vote McMurrin Aye, Wilkening Aye, Shaw Aye – Senenfelder absent, Haeefele absent

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & LIQUOR STORE – Councilmember Haefele**

None

**LIBRARY, PARKS & AIRPORT – Councilmember McMurrin**

None

**PUBLIC WORKS, SAFETY & CEMETERY – Councilmember Wilkening**

None

**OTHER BUSINESS –Mayor Jed Shaw**

Discussion of the management of the right of way on Cleveland Blvd. Staff was directed to have the police department enforce the Ordinance.

**ADJOURNMENT-Mayor Jed Shaw**

Mayor Shaw adjourned the regularly scheduled Meeting at 6:42p.m.

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Jed Shaw, Mayor

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