

**WALKER CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
WALKER FIRE HALL MEETING ROOM  
Monday July 11, 2005**

**CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Walhof**

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

Terri Bjorklund, Administrator  
Will Hoyt, Landecker & Assoc.  
Tyler Koos, Landecker & Assoc.  
Neil McMurrin, Resident  
Rosemary Ochs, Resident  
Mary Andrus, Resident  
Wayne Tennis, Police Officer  
Bev Worcester, Resident  
Robert Moore, Resident  
Martha Winter, Resident  
Jon Stewart, Resident  
Brian Hein, Resident  
Thea Johnson, Resident  
Bob Mallory, Shingobee Twp.  
Cy Struss

Sylvia Bakker, City Employee  
Dean Morrill, Pilot Independent  
Lee Westfield, WCC  
Pat McMurrin, Resident  
Mark Shimer, Business Owner  
Kelly Nelson, Resident  
Jim Worcester, Resident  
Randy Carlson, Resident  
Harry Winter, Resident  
Lloyd Kennedy, Resident  
Bonnie Stewart, Resident  
John Johnson, Resident  
Kari Johnson, Resident  
Shirley Mallory, Shingobee Twp.  
John Grimley

**CONSENT AGENDA – Mayor Walhof**

M/S Fjelstul, Bruns to approve the Consent Agenda Items 1 thru 4 as follows:

1. Approve Walker Public Hearing Minutes of June 6, 2005
2. Approve Walker City Council Minutes of June 6, 2005
3. Approve June Cash Disbursements.
4. Approve Cash Balance Report of May 31, 2005.

Motion passed: 5-0

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

1. Listened to the 2004 Audit Presentation from Judy Moraveck, Mathias C. Justin, LTD, CPA
2. M/S Bruns, Walhof to approve the 2004 Audit as presented.

Motion passed: 5-0

3. M/S Fjelstul, Bruns to approve payment of Invoice in the amount of \$5,800.00 to Mathias C. Justin, LTD, CPA for the 2004 Audit.

Motion passed: 5-0

4. **M/S Fjelstul, Bruns** to approve renewing the City's Health Care Insurance Plan, changing from a \$300.00 deductible to a \$500.00 deductible effective August 1, 2005 at an increase to the City of \$3,400.68.

Motion passed: 5-0

5. **M/S Mohr, Bruns** to approve the purchase of a 2-year training program for the Walker Ambulance Service at a cost of \$1,380.00.

Motion passed: 5-0

6. **M/S Bruns, Mohr** to approve payment of Invoice #994454 in the amount of \$800.00 to Cass County Abstract Co. for updating the Airport Abstract.

Motion passed: 5-0

7. **M/S Fjelstul, Bruns** to approve the 2006 Budget request of \$320.00 dollars for support of the Initiative Foundation.

Motion passed: 5-0

8. **M/S Bruns, Mohr** to approve Walker Personnel Committee's recommendation to hire, Debra Noeller for the part-time Accounting Clerk Position at \$10.00 per hour.

Motion passed: 5-0

9. **M/S Fjelstul, Bruns** to approve payment in the amount of \$9,591.00 to Kitchigami Regional Library for participation in the Regional Library System.

Motion passed: 5-0

10. **M/S Fjelstul, Bruns** to approve payment in the amount of \$499.00 to Kitchigami Regional Library for the System Automation Repair and Replacement Reserve.

Motion passed: 5-0

Councilmember Bresley updated the council on applications for the position of Police Officer, and part-time Police Officer and advised the Council that the Personnel Committee will be starting interviews on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2005.

#### **SCHEDULED CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS – Mayor Walhof**

- Listened to concerns from residents on Walker Bay Blvd.

After much discussion it was determined that the City crew was to continue with the brushing, as is included in the covenant.

Clearing and mowing of right of way issues was discussed. After much discussion a motion was convened.

**M/S Bruns, Fjelstul** to have the City Crew brush and clear the right of way, and keep it maintained.

Motion passed: 5-0

- Cy Struss gave a presentation on a Revolving Loan Fund.

**M/S Bresley, Bruns** to participate in the revolving loan fund at a sum of \$25,000.00 dollars, based on a three-year commitment.

Motion passed: 5-0

Cy Struss, Cass County EDC, updated the Council on various projects that have been happening within the County.

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

- FYI: Each water bill this month contained a connection fee in the amount of \$5.21 as mandated by the Minnesota Department of Health to collect for a service connection fee.
- The roads have now been sprayed with magnesium chloride.
- Anderson Brothers will be completing the over-lay projects by Friday.
- Acknowledged that Walker Bay Spirits passed the Tobacco Compliance check, conducted June 29,2005

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – Councilmember Bruns**

1. **M/S** Bresley, Mohr to approve and file Walker Planning Commission Minutes of June 27, 2005.

Motion passed: 5-0

2. **M/S** Bresley, Mohr to approve Walker Planning Commissions recommendation to grant AERO Land Surveyors, LLC, a variance for a sign.

Motion passed: 4-1 Nye: Walhof

3. **M/S** Bresley, Fjelstul to table any action on the Public Hearing and refer back to Public Works Committee.

**PARKS & RECREATION/CEMETERY/LIBRARY – Councilmember Mohr**

1. **M/S** Fjelstul, Bruns to approve and file Walker Park Board Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2005.

Council member Bresley commended the staff for the cleaning up of the Walker City Park the day after the 4<sup>th</sup> of July

**PUBLIC WORKS & SAFETY – Councilmember Fjelstul**

1. **M/S** Bresley, Bruns to approve paying a \$500.00 dollar deductible to our Insurance Company for the replacement of a Spectrophotometer, that was struck by lightning.

Motion passed: 5-0

2. **M/S** Bresley, Bruns to approve paying a \$500.00 dollar deductible to our Insurance Company for the replacement of a controller for the sprinkler system at Evergreen Cemetery that was struck by lightning.

Motion passed: 5-0

3. **M/S** Bruns, Bresley to approve payment of Invoice #21523 in the amount of \$546.36 to Emergency Apparatus for Contract Maintenance on Walker Ambulance 200.

Motion passed: 5-0

4. **M/S** Bruns, Bresley to approve payment of Invoice #21520 in the amount of \$434.76 to Emergency Apparatus for Contract Maintenance on Walker Ambulance 202.

Motion passed: 5-0

5. **M/S** Bruns, Bresley to approve payment of Invoice #21525 in the amount of \$1,789.74 to Emergency Apparatus for Contract Maintenance on Walker Ambulance 201.

Motion passed: 5-0

6. **M/S** Bresley, Bruns to approve payment of Invoice #6992 in the amount of \$330.50 to Landecker & Associates for general engineering and surveying services.

Motion passed: 5-0

7. **M/S** Bresley, Bruns to approve payment of Invoice #6991 in the amount of \$7,008.00 to Landecker & Associates for work completed on report for proposed road, sanitary, and municipal water improvements to the proposed Community Center.

Motion passed: 5-0

8. **M/S** Bresley, Bruns to approve payment of Invoice #6994 in the amount of \$500.00 to Landecker & Associates, for the staking of the 5 acre parcel surrounding the well and septic at the Walker Industrial Park.

Motion passed: 5-0

**OTHER BUSINESS – Mayor Walhof**

Council member Bresley reminded the Mayor and Council that the budget process is starting, and the preliminary budget must be presented by the September Council meeting.

Councilmember Mohr asked about progress on the Chase.

Mark Shimer requested to paint sidewalk in front of his business. Request denied, and referred to MN/DOT.

**ADJOURNMENT – Mayor Walhof**

Mayor Walhof adjourned the regular scheduled Council Meeting at 9:04.

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Bradley J. Walhof, Mayor

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