



CITY OF WALNUT GROVE

September 28th, 2023 Work Session Minutes

- I. CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Moore called the meeting to order.
- II. INVOCATION**- Invocation given by Tony Powell
- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**- All participated
- IV. ROLL CALL** – All present
- V. AGENDA APPROVAL** – Audio unavailable. Agenda was approved.
- VI. OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. Walnut Grove High School Safety Measures -**

Principal Lindsey Allen addressed his concerns of the sidewalks to the council. He would like to see connecting sidewalks coming from Guthrie Cemetery Road. For Safety reasons he thinks there needs to be more lighting. Council Member Moncrief spoke with Mr. Underwood who stated that when the sidewalk project started it would be helpful if the City made him aware because he would like to work together with the City. Mayor Moore stated that the City would get Precision Planning to draw something up for the council to consider. The Mayor stated that the long-term plan is to put in drainage systems and sidewalks all the way up Park Street.

- 2. Sewer Plant Expansion**

Turnipseed presented their technology to the Mayor and Council. The plan outlined how to increase the capacity of the sewer plant system to 100,000 gallons a day. The new technology they presented to the council is manufactured by Kubota. Kubota presented how a membrane system works and how it would benefit Walnut Grove.

Council took a 10 minute break after the presentation

- 3. Emerald Cove Paving**

The Mayor asked if the council to consider sending out for quotes for the paving of the gutters. Council members Miles and Moncrief do not agree with paving the gutters. Council member Pilgrim thinks we should consider paving the gutters. It is the Mayors recommendation to pave the gutters to repair the roads in Emerald Cove. Council Member Miles and Moncrief do not agree with the Mayors recommendation. Council Member Miles stated that the road will not last by paving the gutters and will hurt the property values of the homes. Council Member Pilgrim was onboard to move forward, and Council

member Miles and Moncrief were not. This issue has been put on hold until the new year.

5. Walnut Grove Truck & Camper Parking Ordinance

The parking ordinance was submitted to the council for review. This ordinance will prevent 18 wheelers trucks from parking overnight. The new gas station has truck parking and this will restrict these type of trucks for parking for extended periods of times. Council Member Moncrief would like more time to review the draft before deciding on this ordinance. There will be revisions done and council will go over it again at the next work session.

6. Walnut Grove High School Sidewalk Improvements

A concept was submitted to the council from Precision Planning. The rough cost estimate for this project is \$75,000. The project would extend a sidewalk down Guthrie Cementary and Emmett Still to tie the sidewalks together. This project would also include the cross walk to be put in. Precision will bring in the engineering portion of this project so it can be submitted for quotation.

VII. ADJOURN – Council Member Moncrief and Miles motioned to adjourn. Mayor Moore Seconded. All in favor.

Kimberly Whitlow, City Clerk DATE

Mayor, Steven Mark Moore DATE

Tony Powell, City Attorney DATE