

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

MALTA CITY COUNCIL MALTA CITY HALL

June 8, 2021

Officials present:

Councilpersons Ward I: David Rummel

William Hicks

Councilpersons Ward II: James Sintler

Clerk/Treasurer: Lorie Bond

Public Works Director: James Truelove

Others attended: Phillips County Sheriff Jerry Lytle and Mark Foss from PCN

Councilperson Rummel opened the meeting at 5:09pm.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. None

Councilperson Sintler moved to approve the minutes, 2nd by Councilperson Hicks. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Hicks moved to approve the agenda, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilpersons Sintler and Hicks presented claim warrants.

Councilperson Hicks moved to approve claim checks 26977 to 27003, 2nd by Councilperson Rummel. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Hicks moved to approve May 2021 payroll, 2nd by Councilperson Rummel. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS, COMMITTEES & MEETINGS ATTENDED

1. PWD Truelove reported that the pool was open and Pool Manager Kelly Cederberg was doing a great job. Pool Manager Cederberg has added additional swim classes because of the high demand.
2. PWD Truelove reported that he was looking at purchasing removable ADA steps for the pool and presented Council with pictures of the steps. PWD Truelove stated that the steps would cost around \$8,000.
3. PWD Truelove reported that the mosquito truck was out this past weekend and would be out spraying as weather permitted.
4. PWD Truelove reported that the city wide clean up would be taking place the week of June 14th.
5. Clerk Bond presented Council with the May financials, the current check register, the current shut off list, the May payroll overtime, vacation, sick leave reports and the revenue and expenditure actual vs budget reports.
6. Clerk Bond presented Council with a copy of an email she received from Shirley Inverson about how much her and her husband enjoyed their stay at Trafton Park.
7. Clerk Bond reported that there would be another Zoom Town Hall Meeting tomorrow at 2:00pm about the distribution of the ARPA funds.
8. Clerk Bond reported that her meeting with Traci Sears and Nadene Wadsworth from the DNRC went well. The City will have to submit a variance application to rebuild the bathroom at Trafton Park and the variance application would have to be approved by Council.
9. Clerk Bond reported that she had been contacted by Aly Russel from Montana Department of Transportation about a public open house that will take place at the Milk

River Pavilion on June 15th from 4:30pm – 7:00pm about the South Highway 191 construction project. Ms. Russel wanted to make sure Council knew about it so they could attend.

10. Sheriff Jerry Lytle presented Council with last quarter's law enforcement statistics. Sheriff Lytle reported that half the cases had taken place in the City of Malta and in Phillips County the arrests were up from last year. Sheriff Lytle reported that the department was one deputy short and would be advertising the position later in the month.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Councilperson Rummel presented Council with the request to sponsor the Fourth of July fireworks. Councilperson Hicks moved to sponsor the Fourth of July fireworks, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Councilperson Rummel called for a roll call vote. Councilperson Hicks Aye, Sintler Aye, Aye, Rummel Aye. Motion Carried.
2. Clerk Bond presented Council the copies of the current cash report, Sewer Fund Capital Expenditure Report and a copy of the email she had received from the auditor. Clerk Bond reported that 93% of the sewer funds were in restricted cash accounts and she had reached out to the auditor about transferring funds from the restricted cash account to the unrestricted cash account to offset the cost of infrastructure repairs paid from out of the unrestricted cash account. Clerk Bond read the email from the auditor stating that it would be okay to transfer the funds with Council's permission. Councilperson Hicks made the motion to move \$89,881.37 from the sewer restricted account 102000 cash R&D to account 101000 unrestricted cash, 2nd by Councilperson Rummel. Councilperson Rummel called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Hicks Aye, Rummel Aye, Sintler Aye. Motion Carried.

OTHER COMMENTS

1. None

With no other business, Councilperson Sintler moved to adjourn, 2nd by Councilperson Hicks. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:51pm.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk/Treasurer