

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

MALTA CITY COUNCIL MALTA CITY HALL

June 23, 2020

Officials present:

Mayor John Demarais

Councilpersons Ward I: David Rummel

William Hicks

Councilpersons Ward II: Bonnie Wiederrick

James Sintler

Clerk/Treasurer: Lorie Bond

Public Works Director: James Truelove

Others attended: Janet Berg, Julie Moore, Pool Manager Kelly Cederberg, Racheal Liff and Mark Herbert from PCN.

Mayor Demarais opened the meeting at 5:00pm.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. None

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

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

Councilpersons Rummel and Hicks presented claim warrants.

Councilperson Rummel moved to approve claim checks 26282 to 26298, 2nd by Councilperson Hicks. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Demarais closed the regular meeting and opened the public hearing at 5:03pm

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Demarais announced that the purpose of the public hearing was to receive public comment on Resolution 1284 – A resolution amending the 2019/20 sewer fund budget to make provisions for unanticipated expenditures exceeding the original appropriations. Mayor Demarais stated that the budget needed to be amended because the outfall line at the sewer lagoon had to be replaced. Mayor Demarais asked for public comment four times.

With no public comment, Mayor Demarais closed the public hearing and reopened the regular meeting at 5:04pm.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS, COMMITTEES & MEETINGS ATTENDED

1. PWD Truelove reported that there had been a dig on 2nd Street West.
2. PWD Truelove reported that the city cleanup had started on Monday June 15th and would end on Friday June 26, 2020.
3. PWD Truelove reported that a new 1 ½” service line had been installed at the swimming pool. The crew would start painting the pool later in the week and he still had no idea when the pool house remodel would be finished.
4. Mayor Demarais informed Council that the new mosquito spray was effective. It’s the same product used in Dodson and it works.
5. Clerk Bond presented Council with the current check register and the revenue and expenditure actual vs budget reports.
6. Clerk Bond presented each Council person with a copy of the 2019/2020 audit report.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Julie Moore asked PWD Truelove if he needed the swim team members/parents help painting the pool. PWD Truelove stated he appreciated the offer of help and that he had enough employees to complete the task.
2. Julie Moore asked why the mosquito truck drove so fast. Mayor Demarais replied that the truck drove 10mph because the sprayer was calibrated for 10mph.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Demarais presented Council with resolution 1287. A resolution to accept the determination that exempt is appropriate for the Malta Carnegie Library roof repair project. Councilperson Hicks moved to adopt resolution 1287, 2nd by Council person Sintler. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilperson Hicks Aye, Sintler Aye, Wiederrick Aye, Rummel Aye. Motion Carried.
2. Mayor Demarais presented Council with resolution 1284. A resolution amending the 2019/2020 Sewer Fund Budget to make provisions for unanticipated expenditures exceeding the original appropriations. Councilperson Wiederrick moved to adopt resolution 1284, 2nd by Councilperson Rummel. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilperson Wiederrick Aye, Rummel Aye, Aye, Hicks Aye, Councilperson Sintler Aye. Motion Carried.
3. Mayor Demarais presented Council with resolution 1285. A resolution authorizing the transfer of funds to the capital fire truck fund. Councilperson Sintler moved to adopt resolution 1285, 2nd by Councilperson Wiederrick. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Sintler Aye, Wiederrick Aye, Rummel Aye, Hicks Aye. Motion Carried.
4. Mayor Demarais presented Council with Resolution 1286. A resolution affirming active participation in Bear Paw Development. Councilperson Rummel moved to adopt resolution 1286, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Rummel Aye, Sintler Aye, Wiederrick Aye, Hicks Aye. Motion Carried.
5. Mayor Demarais presented Council with the Malta Chamber of Commerce Street Closure Application. The Malta Chamber of Commerce requested to close off the parking area south of Veteran's Park during the Farmers Market. The Farmers Market would take place on the first and third Tuesdays of July, August & September. Councilperson Hicks moved to approve the street closure request, 2nd by Sintler Councilperson. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Hicks Aye, Sintler Aye, Wiederrick Aye, Rummel Aye. Motion carried.
6. Mayor Demarais presented Council with resolution 1288. A resolution amending the fees at the city swimming pool. Pool Manager Kelly Cederberg presented the proposed changes to Council. Councilperson Hick moved to adopt resolution 1288, 2nd by Councilperson Wiederrick. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Hicks Aye, Wiederrick Aye, Rummel Aye, Sintler Aye. Motion Carried.

OTHER COMMENTS

1. Mayor Demarais read Council a letter received from Ross Simser thanking Councilperson Rummel for volunteering his time to clean up a messy yard in his neighborhood.
2. Councilperson Wiederrick asked if people would be charged landfill fees if they chose to haul their own junk to the landfill during clean up days instead of having the City pick it up. PWD Truelove stated that they would be charged.

With no other business, Councilperson Wiederrick moved to adjourn, 2nd by Councilperson Rummel. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:41pm.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk/Treasurer