

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

MALTA CITY COUNCIL

MALTA CITY HALL

September 8, 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, Marcus Knudsen, Mark Knudsen and Krista Fahlgren from PCN

Mayor Demarais opened the meeting at 5:00pm.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Mayor Demarais informed Council that he would be out of town on September 14th – 17th, he would be attending a Rural Water meeting in Great Falls.

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

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

Councilpersons Wiederrick and Sintler presented claim warrants.

Councilperson Rummel moved to approve claim checks 26496 to 26525, 2nd by Councilperson Hicks. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Sintler moved to approve August 2020 payroll, 2nd by Councilperson Wiederrick. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS, COMMITTEES & MEETINGS ATTENDED

1. PWD Truelove reported that there had been a dig on 6th Street East to repair a water curb stop.
2. PWD Truelove reported that the pool had been drained, the city crew had been doing park maintenance, cutting brush at the lagoon and the street sweeper would be out this week.
3. Councilperson Sintler asked PWD Truelove how much had been spent to keep the old garbage truck used to collect cardboard running. PWD Truelove stated that it was a maintenance nightmare. Mayor Demarais informed Council that he would be sitting down with PWD Truelove on Friday at 10:00am to discuss the garbage truck.
4. Council Hicks asked PWD Truelove about sprinkler systems in the parks. PWD Truelove stated that he needed to find someone to maintain the sprinkler systems. PWD Truelove reported that he was trying to water Trafton Park without using the large pipes. The current system was from the 1960's. Mayor Demarais informed Council that he had a plan on how to water Trafton Park and would outline his plan with costs at a future Council Meeting.
5. Clerk Bond presented Council with the August financials, the current check register, the current shut off list, the August payroll overtime, vacation, sick leave report and the revenue and expenditure actual vs budget reports.

6. Mayor Demarais asked Clerk Bond when the chicken ordinance would be ready. Clerk Bond reported that between preparing the ordinance and advertising the public hearing the chicken ordinance would be on the October 13, 2020 agenda.
7. Mayor Demarais reported that he had talked to a person who was in the process of building a large shed on their property that did not meet the zoning requirements. Mayor Demarais had informed the individual that it needed to be moved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Demarais called on Boy Scout Marcus Knudsen. Marcus Knudsen stated that he wanted to build a shelter over the 12'x10' concrete slab at Riverview Park for his Boy Scout Eagle Scout Project and the lumber for the project would cost \$1050.00. This was followed by much discussion about the project and the Boy Scout Program. With no further discussion Councilperson Rummel moved to approve the project, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilperson Rummel Aye, Sintler Aye, Wiederrick Aye, Hicks Aye. Motion Carried.
2. Mayor Demarais presented Council with Great West Engineering consultant agreement for professional services for the Malta Milk River Levee Project. Councilperson Rummel moved to accept the agreement, 2nd by Councilperson Hicks. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Rummel Aye, Hicks Aye, Wiederrick Aye, Sintler Aye. Motion Carried.
3. Mayor Demarais asked Council to appoint David Rummel to the Phillips County Transit Board. Councilperson Wiederrick moved to appoint David Rummel to the PC Transit Board, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilperson Wiederrick Aye, Sintler Aye, Hicks Aye, Rummel Aye. Motion Carried.

OTHER COMMENTS

1. None

With no other business, Councilperson Wiederrick moved to adjourn, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:34pm.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk/Treasurer