

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

MALTA CITY COUNCIL

MALTA CITY HALL

September 26, 2023

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: Dennis Fitzgerald from Youth Dynamics, Terry Hotchkiss from Malta Dirt Daubers and Kari Hould from PCN

Mayor Demarais opened the meeting at 5:00pm.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

1. Mayor Demarais informed Council that he would be attending the Bear Paw Development Meeting on Thursday.

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

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

Councilpersons Rummel and Hicks presented claims.

Councilperson Wiederrick moved to approve claim checks 28621 to 28642, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS, COMMITTEES & MEETINGS ATTENDED

1. PWD Truelove reported that the new truck route sign was up.
2. PWD Truelove reported that Riverview Bathroom had been winterized and closed for the winter.
3. PWD Truelove reported that the city crew had installed a pit meter today.
4. PWD Truelove reported that the leaf vacuum had been installed on the old landfill pickup truck.
5. PWD Truelove asked the Mayor and City Council if it was okay to bring in the grass cans by the end of the week. Everyone agreed that it was okay.
6. PWD Truelove reported that the state had inspected the city shop last week and he had submitted pictures of the corrections to the state. PWD Truelove stated that City Crew Member Nick Cilz had done an excellent job installing a middle railing on the pre-existing stair railing.
7. PWD Truelove reported that there had been more vandalism at the skate park and Park & Rec Director Sally Wright has done an amazing job cleaning up the graffiti.
8. PWD Truelove reported that he would continue to monitor the water and sewer line installations for the Family Dollar Store.
9. Mayor Demarais asked PWD Truelove why the lawn was so brown at the Women's Club House and asked if the sprinkler system was working properly. PWD Truelove stated that he would check the sprinkler system.
10. Clerk Bond presented Council with the current check register and the current shut off list.
11. Clerk Bond reminded Council about the St. Mary's Rehabilitation Working Group presentation on October 2nd at 2:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.
12. Clerk Bond reminded Council that the next Council Meeting would be taking place on Friday October 6th at 9:00am.

13. Mayor Demarais informed Council that he had spoken to an individual who was at the volatile soccer game and he had stated that Park & Rec Director Sally Wright had done a good job handling the situation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Mayor Demarais called on Terry Hotchkiss from the Malta Dirt Daubers. Ms. Hotchkiss reported that the Dirt Daubers would be hosting the state convention in 2024 on June 27th – 29th and they would like to put up a Gold Star Memorial next to the existing memorial in the flower garden across from the Rest Area. Ms. Hotchkiss informed Council that the Gold Star Memorial would be a tribute to Gold Star Families whose loved one paid the ultimate price defending the United States of America. Ms. Hotchkiss stated that the installation of the Gold Star Memorial would take place on Saturday June 29, 2023. Councilperson Wiederrick moved to allow the Malta Dirt Daubers to install the Gold Star Memorial in the flower garden across from the Rest Area, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Mayor Demarais called for a roll call vote. Councilpersons Wiederrick Aye, Sintler Aye, Hicks Aye, Rummel Aye. Motion Carried.

OTHER COMMENTS

1. Mr. Dennis Fitzgerald from Youth Dynamics informed Council that Youth Dynamics would be having an open house on October 17th and the CEO would be attending the event. Mr. Fitzgerald presented the Mayor and each Councilperson an invitation to greet and meet with the Youth Dynamics CEO.
2. Having spotted Park & Rec Director Sally Wright in the hallway outside the Council Chambers, Council thanked PRD Wright for all of her hard work removing the graffiti from the parks.

With no other business, Councilperson Wiederrick moved to adjourn, 2nd by Councilperson Sintler. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 5:35pm.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Clerk/Treasurer