

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 12, 2015

The first regular monthly meeting of the Calais City Council was held this date in the Council Chambers of the Calais City Building at 6:00 pm

Present was Mayor Moore presiding over Councilors Howard, Rogers, Mingo, and Moreside.

On a motion by Councilor Howard and a second by Councilor Moreside, it was unanimously voted to approve the following consent agenda:

- A. *Previous Minutes*
- ~~B. *Monthly Departmental Reports*~~
- C. *Chase Fund for March - \$150.00*
- D. *Treasurer's Warrants City through March 11, 2015*
\$ 222,496.96
- E. *Treasurer's Warrants School through March 11, 2015*
\$ 385,065.46
- F. *Treasurer's Warrants Water through March 11, 2015*
\$ 14,304.91

Following a brief discussion on the Calais Police Chief talking with the Baileyville Police Chief, on the possibility of joining forces, it was moved by Councilor Mingo, seconded by Councilor Howard, and unanimously voted to approve the Monthly Departmental Reports as submitted.

The City Manager then reported on the following:

- Recycling Program at the transfer Station
- Price reduction at Southwest Solid Waste
- Town of Baileyville asking for quote on Ambulance Service, this item was referred to the Public Safety Committee

The following Council Committee Reports were submitted:

1. **Finance Committee** – no report
2. **Property Committee** – met to discuss dangerous building and will meet when the snow melts to discuss the PCT Tower at the Cemetery.

Attendance

Consent Agenda

Monthly Reports

City Manager report

Council Committee Reports

3. **Public Safety Committee** – No report
4. **Public Works Committee** – No report
5. **School Liaison Committee** – will meet on March 24th
6. **Economic/Community Development Committee** – met on March 6th to discuss the MDOT Visitor Center and also funding for the Eastern Washington County Economic Development Committee. Also several issues were discussed, International Festival problems, need for new ideas and more volunteers, Railroad bed for ATV trail.

The next agenda item was the CDRC Report. The City Manager reported that the downtown lights will be replaced with sealed lights. He also reported that the CDRC has received a donation of approximately \$3500 from the now defunct “NADA” committee.

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Howard, it was unanimously voted to authorize the City Manager to pursue the option of offering full market value for the acquisition of the former visitor center building from the State.

It was moved by Councilor Howard, seconded by Councilor Moreside, and unanimously voted to charge the needed \$13,500 for our share of the funds for the Eastern Washington County Economic Development Committee administration to the Economic Development Loan Fund.

The next agenda item was a discussion of the Recreation Director Interview Panel. No motion needed.

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Howard it was unanimously voted to schedule a Public Hearing on April 23, 2015 to determine whether the building/structure located at 507 Main Street and shown on Map 7, Block 5, Lot 1 of the current City tax maps, is dangerous or a nuisance within the meaning of 17 MRSA § 2851.

It was moved by Councilor Rogers seconded by Councilor Mingo, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Immaculate Conception Church to hold a re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross on Sunday, March 29th.

CDRC Report

Tourist Info Center
Acquisition

Eastern Washington County
Economic Development
Committee

Recreation Director
Interview Panel

Schedule P Hearing –
Dangerous Building

Stations of the Cross

Other items addressed with no Council action being taken at this time included:

- Snowmobile and ATV Access to Calais
- Status of Audit
- Great job being done by City Building Crew
- Fire Science being offered at St Croix Tech
- Thomas DiCenzo Athletic complex update
- Status of Boy Scout Hall Removal
- Water main breaks
- Status of TIF
- Drug Problems Areas
- Request to close street behind South of the Border
- Successful Cheering Competition
- Tim Horton's Grand Opening Celebration

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Rogers, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 7:34 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
Theresa M Porter, City Clerk

Other Items

Adjourn