

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL  
MARCH 27, 2014

The second regular monthly meeting of the Calais City Council was held this date at the North Street Public Safety Building at 6:00 pm.

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

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

- A. Previous Minutes
- B. Treasurer's Warrants City through March 26 ,2014  
\$ 572,408.92
- C. Treasurer's Warrants Water through March 26, 2014  
\$ 31,664.40

The Mayor then called for a public hearing on extending the Emergency Downtown Revitalization Ordinance. There being no public concern voiced, it was moved by Councilor Howard, seconded by Councilor Rogers, and unanimously voted to extend this ordinance for another 90 days.

The City Manager then gave her report. She informed the Council that she has set up a meeting with the Baileyville and St. Stephen Town Councils for Thursday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at Washington County Community College. She also informed the Council that the Maine Senate has killed the Proposed Casino Bills. The Manager than asked the City Council to consider suspending the Council Rules in order to add an item to the agenda.

On a motion by Councilor Nixon and a second by Councilor Mingo, it was unanimously voted to suspend the Council Rules in order to add an agenda item.

It was then moved by Councilor Rogers and seconded by Councilor Mingo to add 393 Main Street to the list of dangerous buildings to be discussed at a public hearing on May 8<sup>th</sup>. All in favor.

The following Council Committee Reports were submitted:

Attendance

Consent Agenda

Public Hearing – Emergency  
Downtown Revitalization  
Ordinance

City Manager Report

Suspend Rules

Dangerous Building

Council Committee reports

1. **Finance Committee** – No report
2. **Property Committee** – No report
3. **Public Safety Committee** – will be meeting on April 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss Fireworks and Dogs
4. **Public Works Committee** – No report
5. **School Liaison Committee** – No report
6. **Economic/Community Development Committee** – still working on brochure, need to get some more recent pictures, need to get quote from printer. Also talk of LLBean and need to send proposal, will talk with other town councils on April 17<sup>th</sup>. Also talked about conflicts with International Festival Committee, need to address this issue so that future of Festival will not be in jeopardy.

The next agenda item was a discussion on the need for help from the City on Watering Downtown Flowers and then help for the preservation and beautification of Meridian Park. The City will be placing an ad asking for Volunteers. Jim Porter will be looking into the possibility of a grant from the Department of Conservation. This item will be revisited on at the next City Council meeting.

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

- Dumpster on Main Street.
- Main Street Business/Property Owner complaint on not being treated fairly
- need for special requests from the City be put in writing.
- need for Charter Amendments sent to David Fletcher prior to next meeting.
- need to be thinking of our Youth when making decisions on budgets.
- International Festival concerns
- Thanks to Fire Department for help with plowing
- Thanks to Fire Department – response to CRH

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Howard, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 7:00 p.m.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Theresa M. Porter, City Clerk

Downtown Flowers and Meridian Park

Other Items

Adjourn