

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL  
OCTOBER 9, 2014

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 p.m.

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

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

- A. Previous Minutes
- B. Monthly Departmental Reports
- C. Chase Fund for October - \$150.00
- D. Treasurer's Warrants City through October 8, 2014  
\$344,100.40
- E. Treasurer's Warrants School through October 8, 2014  
\$240,197.58
- F. Treasurer's Warrants Water through October 8, 2014  
\$ 33,157.38
- G. Victualer's License – Tim Horton's - 283 North Street

The City Manager then gave his report. He informed the Council that he has found someone to do the maintenance at Devil's Head. He also asked the Council to schedule the November and December meetings as follows:

- November 6<sup>th</sup> - Organizational Meeting
- November 20<sup>th</sup> - Regular meeting
- December 11<sup>th</sup> - Regular Meeting (only meeting in Dec.)

The following Council Committee reports were submitted:

- 1. **Finance Committee** – No report
- 2. **Property Committee** – met prior to Council meeting to discuss, downtown light poles, Milltown Christmas tree, and Urban Moose propane tanks.
- 3. **Public Safety Committee**- reported on the PD lobby
- 4. **Public Works** – no report

Attendance

Consent Agenda

City Manager's Report

Committee Reports

- 5. **School Liaison committee** – no report
- 6. **Economic/Community Development Committee** – brochure is complete

On a motion by Councilor Parks and a second by Councilor Dwelley, it was unanimously voted to suspend the Council rules in order to vote on the acceptance of the brochure design.

Suspend Council Rules

It was then moved by Councilor Mingo, seconded by Councilor Parks, and unanimously voted to approve the design of the Calais Brochure.

Calais Brochure

The next agenda item was a report from the CDRC. Joan Perry reported on all of the upcoming events for on October 25<sup>th</sup>.

CDRC Report

The next agenda item, Snowplowing Bids was referred to the Public Works Committee.

Snowplowing Bids

The City Clerk provided the Council with the following bid opening results on the demolition of Dangerous Buildings:

Demolition Bids

<b>BIDDER</b>	<b>77 GARFIELD ST</b>	<b>78 MONROE ST</b>	
Stanhope Trucking Robbinston, ME	\$6,816.00	3,320.00	
Mark Wright Construction Columbia, ME	\$12,982.00	5,994.00	0
Richard Mingo Construction Calais, ME	\$17,200.00	1,825.00	

On a motion by Councilor Howard and a second by Councilor Rogers, it was unanimously voted to ward this bid to the low bidders.

The CDRC requested permission to solicit bids to have electrical outlets installed in the light poles downtown. No motion made at this time.

Electric Outlets in Downtown Light Poles

On a motion by Councilor Mingo and a second by Councilor Howard, it was unanimously voted to allow the residents of Milltown to erect a Christmas tree in the Milltown Park, with the City to assist and to also pay the electric bill.

Milltown Christmas tree

The next agenda item was a request from the owner of The Urban Moose for City support in obtaining permission from her adjacent property owner to put Propane Tanks on their land so that she can have propane heat installed in her building. After a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilor Howard, seconded by Councilor Nixon, and unanimously voted to send a letter of support on behalf of the Urban Moose. The City Solicitor will review for best solution.

Urban Moose Request

It was moved by Councilor Parks and seconded by Councilor Mingo, to approve the Sewer Commitment for the Quarter Ending September 30, 2014 in the amount of \$239,902.56. Voting in favor were Councilors Parks, Rogers, Mingo, Dwelley, and Nixon. Councilor Howard was opposed. Motion carried.

Sewer Commitment

On a motion by Councilor Mingo and a second by Councilor Rogers, it was unanimously voted to authorize the City Manager to sign the Ambulance Billing Services Contract renewal with City of Caribou.

Ambulance Billing Contract

On a motion by Councilor Dwelley and a second by Councilor Parks, it was unanimously voted to authorize Jim Porter to be the Authorized Signer on the City's First Investment Accounts.

The First Investments –  
Authorized Signer

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

Other items

- Status of Rec Director Position
- Need to address the repair of the Pool
- CDRC Scarecrow Project a Huge Success!
- Status of Contraction Project in Milltown
- Need for signage for tourist spots in town
- need for clean up at Nashes Lake Dam
- Monroe Street Traffic
- Thanks to Maher Family for tending downtown flowers
- October 25<sup>th</sup> Halloween Events
- Status of MDOT Building – Need to contact
- Groundbreaking Ceremony at Baileyville Tissue Plant
- Sculpture bringing tourists
- final meeting for City Solicitor David Fletcher, Thanks extended
- Meet the Sculptor Event

On a motion by Councilor Mingo and a second by Councilor Parks, it was unanimously voted to retire into Executive Session at 7:01 for the following:

- A. *Legal Issue Pursuant to MRSA Title 1 §405 6 (e)*
- B. *Personnel Issue Pursuant to MRSA Title 1 §405 6(a)*

Open Session resumed at 7:50 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Nixon, seconded by Councilor Parks, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 7:50 p.m.

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

Executive Session

Open Session

Adjourn