

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL  
September 8, 2016

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 Howard, Rogers, Moreside, and Nixon.

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 September - \$150.00
- D. Treasurer's Warrants City through September 7, 2016  
\$ 717,412.36
- E. Treasurer's Warrants School through September 7, 2016  
\$ 712,369.85
- F. Treasurer's Warrants Water through September 7, 2016  
\$ 364,142.83
- G. Perpetual Care Application - Willard & Frances Morse Lot  
-Paul Donovan Lot

Councilor Geel entered the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

The City Manager then gave his report on the following:

- Successful Summer Pool Season, with record numbers
- need for Council Committee meeting to be scheduled
- status of some legal issues

The City Manager asked that the Council consider suspending the Council Rules in order to add "Permission to solicit bids on Pool Surface Paving" to the agenda.

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

The City Manager then asked that the Council consider scheduling the following Council Committee Meetings:

Property Committee to meet on Wednesday, Sept 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. to discuss the following agenda items:

Attendance

Consent Agenda

Geel entered meeting

City Manager's report

Add agenda item

Schedule Committee Meetings

1. Consideration of Sewer Abatement and also consider condition of 64 Lafayette Street
2. Discussion of Tax/Sewer Acquired Properties
3. Nash's lake Property
4. Former Tourist Info Center Building
5. Kwong Wah

Public Works committee to meet on Wednesday, Sept 14<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. with the agenda item being discussion of projects

The School Liaison Committee will be meeting at the High School prior to the next School Committee Meeting.

The City Manager then asked that Council consider once again to suspend the Council Rules in order to add the agenda item "Foreclosure of Kwong Wah Building"

It was moved by Councilor Nixon, seconded by Councilor Moreside, and unanimously voted to suspend the Council Rules as requested.

On a motion by Councilor Howard and a second by Councilor Moreside, it was unanimously voted to take back the Kwong Wah property located at 49 North Street with a "Deed in Lieu of Foreclosure" satisfying Personal Property Taxes of \$942.47, Real Estate Taxes totaling \$10,604.69, the obligation of the loan balance of \$86,575.49 as well as an ambulance debt of \$ 89.65. Interest is figured through September 30, 2016.

The CDRC report consisted of asking that the hanging flowers be removed from downtown.

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Geel, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Public Works Director to solicit bids for winter sand and gravel, delivered and not delivered.

On a motion by Councilor Nixon and a second by Councilor Rogers, it was unanimously voted to approve the event "Art Along the Riverfront" and the off premise catering license for Jo's Diner and Pizzeria on September 24, 2016.

It was moved by Councilor Nixon and seconded by Councilor Geel to approve the CDRC Scarecrow Fest events on October 26 – 29, 2016. As well as the use of the downtown light poles during the whole month of October for the Scarecrow Contest. All in favor.

On a motion by Councilor Howard and a second by Councilor Geel, it was unanimously voted to appoint Marianne Moore as the City's

Suspend rules add agenda item

Kwong Wah Foreclosure

CDRC report

Solicit Bids – Winter Sand

Art Along the Riverfront

CDRC Events

MMA Meeting voting Delegate

official voting delegate and Brad Phillips as the alternate at the Maine Municipal Association Annual Meeting on October 5, 2016.

It was moved by Councilor Rogers and a second by Councilor Nixon, it was unanimously voted to write off past and future interest on the special tax assessed against The Urban Moose and to transfer the \$1800 previously paid to be deducted from the principal balance.

On a motion by Councilor Howard and a second by Councilor Moreside, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Recreation Director to solicit bids for the paving at the swimming pool.

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

- Gas Prices
- Maintenance Budgets
- cardboard and metal recycling program
- need to regroup for next summer's day camp program
- Benefit for Kevin Ingersoll

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Nixon, seconded by Councilor Moreside, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 6:49pm.

ATTEST:   
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Theresa M Porter, City Clerk

Write off Interest – Special  
Tax – Urban Moose

Solicit Bids Pool Paving

Other Items

Adjourn