

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 14, 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, Mingo, and Moreside.

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

- A. Previous Minutes
- B. Monthly Departmental Reports
- C. Chase Fund for April - \$150.00
- D. Treasurer's Warrants City through April 13, 2016
\$ 485,963.12
- E. Treasurer's Warrants School through April 13, 2016
\$ 719,856.24
- F. Treasurer's Warrants Water through April 13, 2016
\$ 36,554.24

The City Manager then gave his report. He firstly asked that the Council consider suspending the Council Rules in order to add agenda items.

On a motion by Councilor Mingo and second by Councilor Moreside it was unanimously voted to suspend the Council Rules.

It was then moved by Councilor Mingo, seconded by Councilor Moreside, and unanimously voted to add the following items to the Council Agenda:

- Liquor License Renewal for St. Croix Country Club.
- Memoranda of Agreement with MDOT
- Union Negotiation to Executive Session

The City Manager then reported on the following:

- Status of Property Maintenance Deficiencies
- request for more working hours for Code Enforcement Officer

The following Council Committee Reports were submitted:

Attendance

Consent Agenda

City Manager Reports

Suspend Rules

Add Agenda Items

Committee Reports

1. **Finance Committee** – No Report
2. **Property Committee** – Scheduled a meeting for April 26th at 8:00 am
3. **Public Safety Committee** – No Report
4. **Public Works Committee** – No Report
5. **School Liaison Committee** – Met to discuss Budget
6. **Economic/Community Development Committee** – Met to discuss Social Media and City's Website

The CDRC reported on the following Events

- Get Mugged Downtown
- Orchestra at congregational Church
- Chair Affair
- Scarecrow Fest
- Banners and Signage
- Lighting
- Hanging flowers

CDRC Report

The City Clerk presented the following bid opening sheet to Council.

PROP/LOCATION	M/B/L
28 Lincoln Street	10/5/4
<i>Margo & Crystal Matthews</i>	<i>Bid = \$5300.00</i>
78 Monroe Street	5/6/7-1
<i>Dan Barnard</i>	<i>Bid = \$6200.00</i>
77 Garfield Street	11/7
<i>John Chambers</i>	<i>Bid = \$6900.00</i>
8 Tyler Street	7/1/27,28,29
<i>O'Brien's Quality Autocare</i>	<i>Bid = \$1689.75</i>
<i>Patricia Peck</i>	<i>Bid = \$2000.00</i>
Main Street	7/1/33
<i>Harold & Dawn Ann Clark</i>	<i>Bid = \$500.00</i>
McLean Street	6/8/4
<i>Erinn Fortune</i>	<i>Bid = \$1308.79</i>

Property Bids

43 North Street 6/6/2-1

NO BID

North Street 2/3/3

NO BID

22 Boardman Street 3/2/21

NO BID

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Rogers, it was unanimously voted to award these bids to the High Bidders. Also part of the motion included that the property located at 28 Lincoln Street needs to be brought back to live-in condition within 1 year.

The next agenda item was an update on the Relay for Life. Mayor Moore informed the Council that the planning committee has addressed all of the concerns from area businesses.

There was no public input on agenda items.

Following a brief presentation of the "Shine the Light" program from representatives of The Next Step, it was moved by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Moreside, and unanimously voted to authorize The Next Step to erect a Lighted Tree in the Gazebo at Memorial Park during the Month of May, 2017.

It was moved by Councilor Mingo and seconded by Councilor Rogers to approve the Sewer Commitment for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2016 in the amount of \$226,595.40. Voting in favor were Councilors Rogers, Mingo, Moreside and Mayor Moore. Councilor Howard was opposed. Motion carried.

On a motion by Councilor Howard and a second by Councilor Rogers, it was unanimously voted to grant an abatement of sewer charges in the amount of \$197.22 on Account #1666.

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Howard, it was unanimously voted to schedule a Public Hearing on April 29, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss acceptance of a \$700,000 Public Infrastructure CDBG Grant.

Relay for Life

Shine the Light – Next Step

Sewer Commitment

Sewer Abatement

Schedule Public Hearing –
CDBG Grant

On a motion by Councilor Howard and a second by Councilor Moreside it was unanimously voted to ratify the Union contract for the Public Works Department, as discussed.

The next agenda item was a discussion on the proposed City of Calais, Facebook Page. Following a brief discussion, it was decided to hold a Economic Development Committee meeting on April 22nd at 8:00 a.m. to discuss further issues brought up, it was then moved by Councilor Mingo , seconded by Councilor Rogers, and unanimously voted to approve the Terms of Use of Social Media Communications Policy and Guidelines.

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Rogers, it was unanimously voted to authorize the following Pool Work:

Filtration System - \$70,250.00

Skimmers and Coping - \$35,597

Concrete Work - \$48,000

It was moved by Councilor Mingo and seconded by Councilor Rogers to write-off and send to collections Ambulance Debt totaling of \$8,052.87. Voting in Favor of this motion were Councilors Rogers, Mingo, and Mayor Moore. Councilor Howard was opposed and Councilor Moreside abstained. Motion carried.

On a motion by Councilor Howard and a second by Councilor Mingo, it was unanimously voted to approve a Liquor License renewal for St. Croix Country Club.

It was moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Rogers, and unanimously voted to signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the MDOT for the purchase of the Former Tourist Information Center on Union Street.

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

- Memorial Bricks at Pool
- Need to Buy more Culverts
- Construction of Sign near Roundabout
- Condition of Police Cruisers
- Meth Labs
- Thanks to Rec Director for fine job fund raising

Public Works Union Contract

Facebook

Pool Work

Write-off Ambulance Debt

Liquor License – St Croix CC

MOU – MDOT

Other Items

It was moved by Councilor Howard, seconded by Councilor Moreside, and unanimously voted to retire into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. for the Following:

Open Session resumed at 7:55 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Mingo, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 7:55 p.m.

ATTEST: 

Theresa M Porter, City Clerk