

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 22, 2019

The 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 Howard presiding over Councilors Sherrard, Rogers, Mingo, Carr, and Moreside.

On a motion by Councilor Sherrard 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 August - \$200
- D. Treasurer's Warrants City through August 21, 2019  
\$ 757,402.45
- E. Treasurer's Warrants School through August 21, 2019  
\$ 1,267,508.84
- F. Treasurer's Warrants Water through August 21, 2019  
\$ 31,258.26
- G. Perpetual Care Application – Robert Seeley Lot by Robert Seeley

The City Manager then gave his report on the following:

- Downeast Broadband Utility
- CDRC Events
- New Hires in Police & Fire Depts

The City Manager asked that the Council consider suspending the Council Rules in order to add the following items to Executive Session:

- Discussion of Revaluation of Commercial Property
- Discussion of Contracted Town Office Services

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Rogers, it was unanimously voted to suspend the Council Rules and add these items to Executive Session as requested.

There were no Council Committee Reports Submitted

On a motion by Councilor Mingo and a second by Councilor Carr, it was unanimously voted to award the bid for the Calais Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project for the base

Attendance

Consent Agenda

City Manager Report

Suspend Rules/Add Executive Session items

No committee reports

Award of Bid – T Buck

amount of \$231,000.00 with a minimum of \$33,351.75 from reserves and contingency of \$11,550.00 contingent upon Rural Development approval.

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Mingo, it was unanimously voted to grant the following Sewer Abatements due to water leaks not going through the sewer system:

Acct # 1792     \$249.12  
Acct # 3253     \$290.64

It was moved by Councilor Sherrard, seconded by Councilor Moreside, and unanimously voted to sign the Tax Collector's Certificate of Settlement for the 2015 Tax Year.

The next agenda item, Abatement of Taxes for Gibson Land Donation, was tabled until the next meeting to enable the Assessor to determine an amount needed to be abated.

Following a lengthy discussion, it was moved by Councilor Sherrard and seconded by Councilor Mingo to authorize the Recreation Director to change the location of the playground at the DiCenzo Complex and expend \$15,000 from undesignated fund balance for this project.

The discussion on where to place the equipment being taken from the DiCenzo Complex was referred to the Property Committee. This meeting will be on September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

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

- Code Enforcement Complaint on a property located on Harrison Street.
- Summer Concert Series well attended, need for Public Portapotties.
- need for lighted crosswalk on North Street near Elementary School
- Dilapidated House on South Street
- Downtown lights in need of repair
- demolition of house on King Street
- International Festival Events & Parade

Sewer Abatements

Certificate of Settlement

Tabled tax  
abatement/Gibson Property

Playground Equipment

Other Items

- Elementary School paving project
- Police Dept Radar

On a motion by Councilor Mingo and a second by Councilor Carr, it was unanimously voted to retire into Executive Session at 7:04 p.m. for the following:

- A. Union contract Negotiations
- B. Discussion of Revaluation of Commercial Property
- C. Discussion of Town Office Services

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 Moreside, seconded by Councilor Carr, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 7:50 p.m.

ATTEST:   
Theresa M Porter, City Clerk