

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 12, 2019

The first monthly meeting of the Calais City Council was held this date in the Council Chambers of the Calais City Building at 6:00 pm

Present was Mayor Howard presiding over Councilors Sherrard, Rogers, Mingo, Carr, and Moreside.

On a motion by Councilor Mingo 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 - \$200
- D. Treasurer's Warrants City through September 11, 2019
\$ 574,100.28
- E. Treasurer's Warrants School through September 11, 2019
\$ 276,073.65
- F. Treasurer's Warrants Water through September 11, 2019
\$ 34,386.35

The City Manager then gave his report on the following:

- Downeast Broadband Utility Update
- Newly hired employees

The City Manager then asked that the City Council consider suspending the Council Rules and add the Agenda Item "Request to Solicit Bids for LED Lighting for the Fire Dept."

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

It was then moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Mingo, and unanimously voted to authorize the Fire Dept to solicit bids for LED Lighting.

The following Council Committee reports were submitted:

1. **Finance Committee** – No report
2. **Property Committee** – met to discuss the placement of the playground equipment being removed from the playground located at the DiCenzo Complex.

Attendance

Consent Agenda

City Manager's Report

Suspend Rules add agenda item

Fire Dept LED Lighting – solicit bids

Council committee Reports

3. **Public Safety Committee** – No report
4. **Public Works Committee** – No report
5. **School Liaison Committee** – met to discuss the status of the new school year, i.e. enrollment, projects, and budgets.
6. **Economic/Community Development Committee** – No report

Councilor Geel entered the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

Following a discussion and recommendation from the Property Committee to sell the Playground Equipment being removed from the DiCenzo Complex playground, it was moved by Councilor Rogers and seconded by Councilor Moreside to sell this equipment to the School Dept for a price of \$25,000. Voting in favor of this motion were Councilors Moreside, Rogers, and Mayor Howard. Councilors Geel, Sherrard, Mingo, and Carr were opposed. Motion did not carry. It was then moved by Councilor Sherrard and seconded by Councilor Mingo to combine existing equipment from the Milltown and Red Beach Playgrounds into one place and erect the DiCenzo playground Equipment at the other place, either Milltown or Red Beach. Voting in favor of this motion were Councilors Sherrard, Mingo, and Carr. Councilors Geel, Rogers, Moreside and Mayor Howard were opposed. Motion did not carry. It was then moved by Councilor Carr, seconded by Councilor Geel, and unanimously voted to send this item back to the Property Committee for more discussion.

Playground Equipment

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Carr, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Public Works Director to solicit bids for winter sand.

Solicit Bids – Winter Sand

It was moved by Councilor Rogers, seconded by Councilor Sherrard, and unanimously voted to approve the Planning board's recommendation of changing the C2 Zone Line from Midland Avenue to Brooks Street to an R2 zone.

Zone change

The Finance Director provided the following bid results for gas & diesel:

Gas/Diesel Bids

INSERT GAS/DIESEL BIDS

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Carr, it was unanimously voted to award this bid to VL Tammaro at the variable cost option of \$0.085 markup.

DEAD RIVER

	Unleaded Gas	Diesel	
Average rack price for Bangor, Maine	\$ 1.7740	\$ 2.1216	
Differential/Markup	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20	
Today's Cost	\$ 1.9740	\$ 2.3216	
Fixed Price Option	N/A	\$ 2.35	

VL TAMMARO

	Unleaded Gas	Diesel	
Average rack price for Bangor, Maine	\$ 1.765	\$ 2.013	
Differential/Markup	\$ 0.085	\$ 0.085	
Today's Cost	\$ 1.85	\$ 2.098	
Fixed Price Option	\$ N/A	\$ N/A	

On a motion by Councilor Sherrard and a second by Councilor Rogers, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Finance Department to write-off the following Taxes, Interest and Costs Account # 976:

2016 1735.58 + 361.77 Interest \$2097.35

2015 1735.58 + 485.97 Interest + 89.83 Cost \$2311.38

2014 1735.58 + 95.63 Interest + 53.95 cost \$1885.16

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

--purchase of Downtown Cameras

--add Townhouse & Kwong Wah Properties to Committee meeting

On a motion by Councilor Geel and a second by Councilor Carr, it was unanimously voted to retire into Executive Session for a personnel issue at 6:39pm

Open session resumed at 6:47pm

On a motion by Councilor Sherrard and a second by Councilor Geel, it was unanimously voted to offer fulltime employment with benefits to City Building Office Clerk Halie Coutinho.

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Carr, seconded by Councilor Moreside and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 6:48

ATTEST: Theresa M Porter
Theresa M Porter, City Clerk

Write-off Taxes

Other items

Executive Session

Fulltime Office Clerk

Adjourn