

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 28, 2019

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

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

- A. Previous Minutes
- B. Treasurer's Warrants City through March 27, 2019
\$ 302,693.37
- C. Treasurer's Warrants School through March 27, 2019
\$ 431,197.49
- D. Treasurer's Warrants Water through March 27, 2019
\$ 37,007.82
- E. St. Croix Country Club – Liquor License Renewal
- F. Perpetual Care Application – Douglas & Bonnie Sprague
Lot by Bonnie Sprague
- G. Chamber of Commerce International Festival “Street
Fair”
- H. Chamber of Commerce – International Festival “Concert
in the Park”
- I. Sewer Commitment for Quarter Ending March 31, 2019 -
\$205,191.84

The City Manager then gave his report on the following:

- Downeast Broadband Utility Project
- Water Dept in need of new Truck
- Request to have one meeting in April on the 18th

The City Manager then asked the Council to consider suspending the Council Rules and add the agenda item “Permission to Apply for a \$5000 Grant through FM Global to replace the existing Fire Prevention Sign.

It was so moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Sherrard, and unanimously voted to suspend the rules and add the item.

Attendance

Consent Agenda

City Manager Report

Suspend Rules/Add Agenda
item

It was then moved by Councilor Carr, seconded by Councilor Mingo, and unanimously voted to authorize the Fire Chief to apply for the Grant.

Fire Dept Grant

Councilor Geel entered the meeting at 6:04 pm

On a motion by Councilor Mingo and a second by Councilor Sherrard, it was unanimously voted to accept full payment of all money owed on the Tax Acquired Property, located at 5 Spring Street, formerly owned by Peter and Ruth Leon, and authorize the City Clerk to issue a Quitclaim Deed releasing the city's interest in the property. The bid received on the property was not opened and will be returned to the bidder.

Redemption of Tax Acquired Property – 5 Spring St

The City Clerk then presented the following list of bids received on tax acquired property:

Tax Acquired Property bids

57 Baring Street	Map 2, Block 2, Lot 5	
	BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
1.	Paul King	\$8050.00

507 Main Street	Map 7, Block 5, Lot 1	
	BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
1.	Irene Chadbourne Food Pantry	\$2500.00

Near Beaver Lake	Map 32, Lot 99	
	BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
1.	Crystal & Margo Matthews	\$2130.00
2.	Sherrard, Smith & Ramsdell	\$1867.00
3.	Carl & Heather Ross	\$3150.00
4.	Bradley D Phillips	\$1863.26
5.	John V Chambers Sr.	\$2105.00
6.	Todd Stewart	\$5000.00

River Road	Map 30, Lot 166	
	BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
1.	Stanhope Trucking	\$500.00
2.	Wayne Small	\$410.00

River Road Map 30, Lot 167

BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
1. Stanhope Trucking	\$1500.00

River Road Map 30, Lot 168

BIDDER	BID AMOUNT
1. Stanhope Trucking	\$500.00

On a motion by Councilor Sherrard and a second by Councilor Geel, it was unanimously voted to, it was unanimously voted to award the bids to the highest bidders.

The City Manager informed the Council that there were no RFP's submitted on the Former Townhouse Property or any bids on the "Rear River Road" property (Map 30, Lot 156). The City Clerk was instructed to place another ad, giving more time.

There was a motion by Councilor Moreside to reconsider the "Adult Use Marijuana Ordinance". No second was made, so the motion died.

On a motion by Councilor Sherrard and a second by Councilor Mingo, it was unanimously voted to transfer the funds from the CIP Savings account to the General Fund, while retaining the current CIP allocations.

Following a discussion on a proposal to purchase an antique fire truck from Thomas DiCenzo Inc, for the St. Croix Firehouse Museum, it was moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Carr, and unanimously voted to table this item until the next meeting, when a final proposal will be presented.

It was moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Geel, and unanimously voted to authorize the Public Works Director to advertise for Full-time Driver/Laborer to fill a vacancy.

The next agenda item was an update on the Public Works Dept Sweeper. Due to the estimate received for the repair of the sweeper, the Public Works Director will bring the sweeper back home and to be used until it can no longer do the job. And in the meantime, the Director will search for another.

Award Bids on Tax Acquired Property

Re-Advertise for RFP on Townhouse Property & Rear River Road Property

Reconsideration of Marijuana Ordinance

CIP Savings Account

Antique Fire Truck

Driver/Laborer Position

Sweeper

On a motion by Councilor Mingo and a second by Councilor Geel, it was unanimously voted to authorize the City Manager to solicit bids for Poles, Bases, and Light Fixtures for the Main Street Sidewalk Project.

Solicit bids – Main St Project

At this point, Bill Lee addressed the Council with a proposal for the use of the Karplus Property, from the ATV Club. This was referred to the Property Committee and a meeting was scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 18th

ATV Club Proposal

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

Other items

- Budgets available next week
- first budget meeting, Tuesday, April 9th
- Grant for South Street Sidewalk construction
- Broadband Expansion Grants
- Respiratory Machine at CRH
- Advertising for Broadband

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Sherrard, seconded by Councilor Geel, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 6:53 p.m.

Adjourn

ATTEST:



Theresa M Porter, City Clerk