

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL  
AUGUST 12, 2021

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 Mingo, Carr, and Moreside.

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

- A. Previous Minutes
- B. Monthly Departmental Reports
- C. Chase Fund for August - \$300.00
- D. Treasurer's Warrants City through August 11, 2021  
\$510,495.52
- E. Treasurer's Warrants School through August 11, 2021  
\$987,913.57
- F. Treasurer's Warrant Water through August 11, 2021  
\$ 31,960.11
- G. Perpetual Care Applications
- H. St Croix Bowling Club – Sealed Tickets – Blanket Letter of Approval

The City Manager then gave his report on the following:

- Thanks to all that contributed to the Homecoming Festival.
- Re-opening of McDonald's
- Several Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies on tap

The Manager then asked that the Council consider suspending the Council Rules to add a Sewer Abatement Request to the Agenda. It was moved by Councilor Carr and seconded by Councilor Mingo to suspend the Rules and add this item to the agenda. Voting in favor were Councilors Mingo, Carr, and Mayor Howard. Councilor Moreside abstained.

The following Council Committee Reports were submitted:

1. **Finance Committee** – No report
2. **Property Committee** – No report
3. **Public Safety Committee** – met at 5:30 to discuss the Police Dept Schedule and coverage from other Law Enforcement agencies.

Attendance

Consent Agenda

City Manager Report

Suspend Rules, add item

Committee Reports

- 4. **Public Works Committee** – No report
- 5. **School Liaison Committee** – No report
- 6. **Economic/Community Development Committee** – No report

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Mingo, it was unanimously voted to authorize the Public Works Director to solicit bids for the purchase of a new Trench Box.

Trench Box

The City Clerk presented the Council with the following bid results on the DiCenzo Complex Walkway Paving:

DiCenzo Complex Paving Bids

<i><b>BIDDER</b></i>	<i><b>bid amount</b></i>
Certified Paving & Seal Coating	\$8,500.00
Northeast Paving	\$6,720.00

It was moved by Councilor Mingo, seconded by Councilor Carr, and unanimously voted to award this bid to Northeast Paving in the amount of \$6,720.00 and charge to other Capital Projects.

The City Manager informed the Council on the results of the Silent Auction for the disposal of the City's items located at the former St. Croix Brewery Property. Following a brief discussion, it was moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Mingo, and unanimously voted to accept the bid of \$8599.99 from Pierre Little for all items in the silent auction.

Silent Auction Results

The City Manager informed the Council that there no bids received on Mulching or City Building Soffit/Fascia repair. No motion made.

No Bids – Mulching & City Building Repair

The next agenda item was a discussion on the poor Cell Phone Service in Calais, following some discussion, it was decided that the City Manager should look for a private consultant to investigate this issue.

Cell Phone Service

On a motion by Councilor Carr and a second by Councilor Moreside, it was unanimously voted to write off the remaining balance of the Cal and Amy Jeanroy Economic Development Loan.

Write off Economic Dev. Loan

On a motion by Councilor Moreside and a second by Councilor Mingo, it was unanimously voted to write off and send to collections the following 2018 Personal Property Tax Bills:

Write off PP Taxes

ACCT #666	Brian Donovan	\$7545.76
ACCT # 193	Arnold Hennequin	\$ 430.30
ACCT # 215	Prime Care	\$ 49.89

Following some discussion on the disposition of the Police Dept Tahoe, it was moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Mingo, and unanimously voted to advertise this vehicle for sale by Sealed bid with an \$8,000.00 minimum bid requirement.

The next agenda item was a request from the Friends of Devil's Head for the purchase of a Culvert, to be installed by the committee. It was moved by Councilor Mingo and seconded by Councilor Moreside to authorize the purchase this item from a company in Canada in an amount not to exceed \$1200.00. following this motion, it was further discussed as to why there is no quote from American Concrete in Veazie. This motion was then rescinded. It was then moved by Councilor Moreside, seconded by Councilor Mingo, and unanimously voted to authorize the Public Works Director to get a quote from American Concrete and purchase the item from the company with the best price. This will be charged to Other Capital Projects.

It was moved by Councilor Mingo and seconded by Councilor Carr to grant an abatement of Sewer charges in the amount of \$622.80 for Acct #3407. Voting in favor of this motion were Councilors Mingo, Carr, and Mayor Howard. Councilor Moreside abstained. Motion carried.

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

- Owner of former Legion Hall, complaint of excessive trash from other area business.
- Floating Dock usage
- Street Paving looks nice
- Thanks to Police Dept for working while short-handed
- Future Economic Development depending on River Dredging
- ATV's use on City Streets

It was moved by Councilor Mingo, seconded by Councilor Carr, and unanimously voted to retire into Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. for the Union Negotiations and Seavey/Young property.

Tahoe – Solicit bids

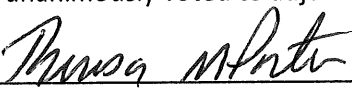
Culvert – Devil's Head

Sewer Abatement

Other items

Executive Session

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Carr, seconded by Councilor Mingo, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 7:02 pm

ATTEST:   
Theresa M Porter, City Clerk