

CALAIS CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 8, 2022

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 Howard presiding over Councilors Quinn, Sherrard, Beale, and Carr.

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

- A. *Previous Minutes*
- B. *Monthly Departmental Reports*
- C. *Chase Fund for August - \$250.00*
- D. *Treasurer's Warrants City through September 7, 2022*
 \$ 526,712.35
- E. *Treasurer's Warrants School through September 7, 2022*
 \$ 892,976.29
- F. *Treasurer's Warrant Water through September 7, 2022*
 \$ 289,412.14
- G. *C & E Feeds Classic Car Show & Parade*
- H. *CDRC Harvest Festival – October 15th*
- I. *Calais Lioness Christmas Parade*
- J. *Liquor License Renewal – Crumbs Café & Coffee Bar*
- K. *Perpetual Care – James & Rebecca Kelly Lot*

The City Manager then gave his report on the following:

- Classis Car Parade
- Change in Venue for Polling Place
- Resignation of EMT Lee Philbrick

The City Manager then asked the Council to consider suspending the Council Rules to add "30-day Redemption letter" to agenda. On a motion by Councilor Quinn and a second by Councilor Carr it was unanimously voted to suspend the rules and add this item to the agenda.

It was then moved by Councilor Sherrard, seconded by Councilor Quinn, and unanimously voted to authorize the City Clerk to send a letter on a foreclosed Sewer Lien.

Councilor Macdonald entered the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

Attendance

Consent Agenda

City Manager Report

Suspend Rules – Add agenda item

30-day Redemption letter

At this point, Annaleis Hafford of Olver Associates update the City Council on the various projects and Grants and/or loans for these projects.

Annaleis Hafford – projects update

The City Manager informed the Council that there has been vandalism and assaults at the DiCenzo Complex and would like to explore the possibility of installing a security system. It was moved by Councilor Carr, seconded by Councilor Quinn, and unanimously voted to authorize the City Manager to get proposals for installation of security equipment throughout the complex.

Security System at DiCenzo Complex

The City Clerk present the Council with the following bid results for Gas Pump and Fleet Management:

Gas Pump and Fleet Management

BIDDER	TOTAL BID
Simard and Sons, Inc Lewiston & Hampden, ME	\$38,914.62
Portland Pump Company Scarborough, ME	\$30,795.00
Gaftek, Inc Bangor, ME	\$53,546.58
C & C Contractors, Inc Brewer, ME	\$72,407.00

Following a brief discussion on the dramatic difference in total bids, it was moved by Councilor Sherrard to award this bid to low bidder, Portland Pump Company. There was no second to this motion. It was then moved by Councilor Carr and seconded by Councilor Beale to award this bid to Simard and Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$38,914.62. Voting in favor of the Motion were Councilors Beale, Carr, Macdonald, and Mayor Howard. Councilors Quinn and Sherrard were opposed. Motion carried.

The City Manager then informed the City Council that he offered the position as Chief of Calais Fire/EMS to Captain William H. Lee, contingent on the City Council's Confirmation of this appointment. It was moved by Councilor Carr and seconded by Councilor Quinn to confirm the City Manager's Appointment of Captain Lee. Voting in favor were Councilors Quinn, Sherrard, Beale, Carr, and Macdonald. Mayor Howard was opposed. Motion carried.

Calais Fire/EMS Chief Appointment

On a motion by Councilor Quinn and a second by Councilor Macdonald, it was unanimously voted to authorize the City Manager to fill the vacant EMT position at Calais Fire/EMS.

Fill EMT Position

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

Winter Sand

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

Other Items

- Thanks from Library Director for Firewall Protection at Library
- congrats and thanks to retired Chief Kenneth Clark and congrats to newly appointed Chief Billy Lee
- Status of Union Street Playground
- Sale of Tire Coupons at Transfer Station
- Bus Parking at Highway Garage
- ATV's tearing up property

On a motion by Councilor Quinn and a second by Councilor Macdonald, it was unanimously voted to retire into Executive Session at 6:40 p.m. to discuss and Interest Waiver Request from David Seavey.

Exec Session


Open session resumed at 6:50 p.m.

It was moved by Councilor Sherrard and seconded by Councilor Carr to proceed as discussed in Executive Session to abate half of the interest and penalties assessed to David Seavey on Revolving Loan #'s 339 and 340 amounting to \$8470.94. Voting in favor of this motion were Councilors Quinn, Sherrard, Beale, Carr, and Mayor Howard. Councilor Macdonald was opposed. Motion carried.

Revolving Loan – Interest Waiver

There being no further business to come before the City Council at this time, it was moved by Councilor Sherrard, seconded by Councilor Quinn, and unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Adjourn

ATTEST: 
Theresa M Porter, City Clerk