

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Village of Malta Council

REGULAR SESSION

Held: January 18, 2024

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The Village of Malta Council convened in REGULAR session at 6:00 p.m. in the Malta Village Council Chambers. Mayor, Terry McGrath called the meeting to order with the following members and visitors present:

Council Member Leslie Robbins	Present
Council Member Devan Vincent	Present
Council Member Don Larrick	Present
Council Member Jamie White	Present
Council Member Homer Weekley	Present
Council Member Scott Moore	Present

Employees: Bill Smith (VA), Kelly Wells (FO) and Ward Coffman (Solicitor)

Visitor(s): Janice Keller (Morgan County Herald)

Invocation: The Invocation was given by Jamie White.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor, Terry McGrath.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Homer Weekley, seconded by Don Larrick. Roll call vote, all yeas, with Jamie White abstaining.

The bills were approved to be paid out of respective funds on a motion made by Jamie White, seconded by Leslie Robbins. Roll call vote, all yeas.

Fiscal Officer, Kelly Wells:

* Requested a moment of silence for MaryAnn McGrath.

Solicitor, Ward Coffman:

- * Finally received the signed settlement agreement from National Water Services
- * Scott and Don asked what we as Council can do about the Smoke Shack. Ward to check on the possible steps it would take to have it removed.

Council Member, Leslie Robbins:

- * Finance Committee met, on January 9th to discuss the hiring of Matt Haynes. It's our recommendation to hire Matt Haynes at the hourly rate of \$10.50. Don Larrick made a motion to hire Matt Haynes, seconded by Scott Moore. Roll call vote, all yeas.

Fiscal Officer, Kelly Wells:

- * Presented to Council Ordinance 24-01.

ORDINANCE 24-01

ANNUAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR 2023 was presented to Council.

A motion to suspend the rules requiring three separate readings was made by Don Larrick, seconded by Jamie White. Roll call vote all yeas.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 24-01 was made by Jamie White., seconded by Homer Weekley. Roll call vote, all yeas.

Bill Smith, Village Administrator gave the following report:

- * Water and well projects are out for bid. Bid opening February 1st.
- * Street crew had a class on traffic control. Most of our stuff needs to be replaced, it's out dated and illegal.
- * Camera's installed at Kawanis Park – Malta responsible for 1/3 of the cost.
- * We received the new playground equipment.
- * So far, we have 100 customers using auto pay for their utility billing.
- * Sewer and meter upgrade grant have been turned in. Applying for another grant salt, brine etc.
- * Meeting with McConnelsville about the M & M transportation for the future.
- * To meet in Shannon Wells office with State Highway Dept. and Michael Betz. Should be enough money out there to repave and channel water from run off on Front street. This will not happen until Dam project is completed.

Council Member, Homer Weekley:

* Thanked Bill for staying on top of everything.

Council Member, Leslie Robbins:

* Dock Committee meeting here at 6 P.M. on the 23rd.

Council Member, Jamie White:

* Front Street Project? Bill replied, it's out for bid, should be in the spring.

Council Member, Scott Moore:

* Asked Bill about the new playground equipment.

Council Member, Don Larrick:

* Homer gave Council an assignment to come up with ideas for the Village to host an event this summer.

My thoughts are the following:

1. Blues BBQ
2. Founders Day
3. James Ball Naylor Day – Contest where folks would dress up from of his books.

Event Planning Committee Selected:

Don Larrick
Devan Vincent
Homer Weekley

JOINT UTILITY MEETING APRIL 15TH, 6 P.M. AT MALTA VILLAGE

With no further business to bring before Council the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. on a motion made by Don Larrick. Roll call vote, all yeas.



Terry McGrath, Mayor



Kelly Wells, Fiscal Officer