RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Village of Malta Council

REGULAR SESSION

Held: June 26, 2025

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

Employees: Bill Smith (VA) and Ashlee Stevens (FO)

Visitor(s): Ward Coffman (Solicitor) Janet Woodward, Janis Keller (MCH)

Invocation: The Invocation was given by Jamie White

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

A motion was made to excuse council members Leslie Robbins, Homer Weekley, and Devan Vincent from the June 26, 2025 meeting by Don Larrick, seconded by Jamie White. Roll call vote, all yeas.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Don Larrick, seconded by Scott Moore. Roll call vote, all yeas.

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

Ward Coffman, Solicitor:
* Ohio Administrative Code allows villages to set own rules on employee handbook. Will put together a policy on sick time and resignations. Suggests a letter in writing so many days in advance for resignations and conducting exit interviews. What would constitute a voluntary resignation? It is up to council to decide how they would like policy to read.
* Take a look at Muskingum Site Services contract. Bill mentioned village has repaired things that MSS has worked on and not fixed. Residents would like reimbursed for the flooding that occurred in their homes from MSS doing work incorrectly.

The Mayor's Report was read by Mayor, Terry McGrath.
* Full time employees as new hires get holiday pay as of now. Suggests completing probationary period before paying holidays, and needs to be added to the handbook.

Ashlee Stevens, Fiscal Officer:
* Discussed adding new rules to the employee handbook, such as call offs before and after holidays.
* Discussed the need to choose a chair person for the records committee, one person from council must be part of the committee. Don Larrick volunteers as chair.
*Discussed ordinance 25-18 Cell Phone Reimbursements. No action was taken.

Bill Smith, Village Administrator:
* River Queen put their docs in.
* Had an hour long meeting with Jada, from Buckeye Hills for a list of projects we want done, looking for grants or anything to help with them.
* Jamie suggests presenting as council for the grants available.
* Park Board Meeting at 6:30 P.M. Monday, June 30, 2025 at concession stand.
* Discussed water treatment plant upgrade, several groups out there interested in the project.
* Grants are available for the Veterans Bridge. New program coming out for bridges.
* Heritage Day is going to be in McConnelsville.
* America 250 Meeting is July 15, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. at Riecker Building.
* Asked if there is anything we can do as a council to have MSS fix the issues they created. Village has been repairing several lines.
* River Fest is July 12, 2025, going to clean up park and get logs out.

Council Member, Jamie White:
* Asked where the reclamation stands with MSS. Bill/Terry said they have been back but the work is incomplete.
* Offered help to get park ready, if needed, for River Fest, July 12, 2025.
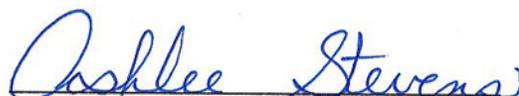* Well field needs mowed.

Council Member, Scott Moore:
* Asked about a hydrant on Third Street.

Council Member, Don Larrick:
* VFW bought the lots and the building has been sold.
* Spoke with a resident who asked why the hydrant was moved and explained.
* Suggests invoicing Muskingum Site Services for the repairs we have made to fix their work.

With no further business to bring before Council the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 P.M. on a motion made by Don Larrick.

Terry McGrath, Mayor   Ashlee Stevens, Fiscal Officer