

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Village of Malta Council

REGULAR SESSION

Held: July 17, 2025

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

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

Visitor(s): Janis Keller (MCH)

Invocation: The Invocation was given by Scott Moore

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

A motion was made to excuse council member Jamie White from the July 17, 2025 meeting by Don Larrick, seconded by Homer Weekley. Roll call vote, all yeas.

The minutes from the June 26, 2025 meeting were approved on a motion made by Don Larrick, seconded by Scott Moore, with the typo docks spelled incorrectly. Roll call vote, all yeas. Leslie Robbins Abstained.

The minutes from the July 10, 2025 meeting were approved on a motion made by Don Larrick, seconded by Leslie Robbins. 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 Devan Vincent. Roll call vote, all yeas.

A motion was made to approve the Alternative Budget by Homer Weekley, seconded by Devan Vincent. Roll call vote, all yeas.

The Mayor's Report was read by Mayor, Terry McGrath.

Mayor, Terry McGrath:

- * Initial report from MPP survey on water treatment plant extension includes 2 new wells and an upgrade on water meters.
- * The cost to redo water treatment plant with upgrades is 12 Million dollars.
- * Has several properties to send and has sent letters to for property violations.
- * Vehicles sitting on street illegally can be towed at Village's expense. If they have to be on secured lot village will be responsible for paying storage fees.

A motion was made to accept the Mayor's Report given by Mayor, Terry McGrath by Leslie Robbins, seconded by Homer Weekley. Roll call vote, all yeas.

Fiscal Officer, Ashlee Stevens:

- * Asked for a motion to approve Alternative Budget
- * Mentioned Employee Handbook needs more revisions
- * Introduced **Ordinance 25-18 ORDINANCE REIMBURSEMENT FOR EMPLOYEE CELL PHONE USAGE**
- * Introduced **Ordinance 25-20 ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**
- * Introduced **Resolution 25-21 RESOLUTION FOR CEMETERY LEVY**
- * Introduced **Ordinance 25-22 ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

A MOTION TO PASS ORDINANCE 25-18 – AN ORDINANCE FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR EMPLOYEE CELL PHONE USAGE TO SECOND READING WAS MADE BY DON LARRICK, SECONDED BY HOMER WEEKLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.

A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR ORDINANCE 25-20 – AN ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS WAS MADE BY DON LARRICK, SECONDED BY LESLIE ROBBINS. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.

A MOTION TO ACCEPT ORDINANCE 25-20 – AN ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS BY LESLIE ROBBINS, SECONDED BY DON LARRICK. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.

A MOTION TO ACCEPT RESOLUTION 25-21 – A RESOLUTION FOR CEMETERY LEVY WAS MADE BY LESLIE ROBBINS, SECONDED BY HOMER WEEKLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.

A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR ORDINANCE 25-22 – AN ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS WAS MADE BY DON LARRICK, SECONDED BY LESLIE ROBBINS. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.

A MOTION TO ACCEPT ORDINANCE 25-22 - AN ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS WAS MADE BY DON LARRICK, SECONDED BY HOMER WEEKLEY. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.

Finance Committee to set a date and meet. Meeting date will be posted when date is decided.

Bill Smith, Village Administrator:

- * Discussed Water Treatment Plant upgrades. Some upgrades include making it all electric and a security system, upgrading the technology. 3 options on upgrades available for water treatment plant. 2-3 year time frame before any changes could occur.
- * Workers have been busy cleaning, weed eating and mowing.
- * Working new grants for street and Veteran's Bridge. 3 ways to possibly get money.
- * Went to a MPP meeting – they said there is going to be a significant cut in funding for certain things.
- * Starting concrete work and patching work on Monday and Tuesday.
- * Inspection on Well #4 by EPA. They are testing the water reserves.
- * EPA and DLZ said our water is well under PFA amounts.
- * Met with DLZ on Wednesday, DLZ will hold retention money for Muskingum Site Services, until Mayor signs off on MSS work.

Council Member, Homer Weekley:

- * Park looked great for River Fest. 20+ boats came for River Fest. It went really well.
- * Would like to make council chamber more welcoming.
- * Banners for Hometown Heroes should be here in 2-3 weeks.
- * We didn't get the grant for America250.
- * Asked to be a part of a committee for Jesse Owens State Park.
- * Kiwanis Park fence by basketball court is leaning and needs weeded around. (Per Bill, must have a license to spray weed killer on commercial property)
- * Thanked Village Administrator, Bill Smith and Fiscal Officer, Ashlee Stevens for doing a great job.

Council Member, Scott Moore:

- * Still working on grant for trees. Deadline is August 27, 2025, project not happening until 2027.

Council Member, Devan Vincent:

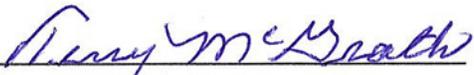
- * Parking on 8th Street – can't see to pull out at the end of 8th Street. Would like to set a date for a Street Committee Meeting.

Council Member, Don Larrick:

* The paving company that did the paving after water project did a great job except the dip they left by Don's house it holds water.

* Navy pole at Kiwanis Park was leaning. The only pole standing straight is Coast Guard. Navy pole is now missing. The flag is accounted for.

With no further business to bring before Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. on a motion made by Don Larrick.


Terry McGrath, Mayor


Ashlee Stevens, Fiscal Officer