

CITY OF SAINT MARYS RESCHEDULED REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

September 26, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

The rescheduled regular monthly Council meeting of the City of Saint Marys was called to order by Mayor David Meier on Monday, September 26, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Council Room of City Hall, 11 LaFayette Street. Notice of this meeting was sent to Council on September 22, 2005 and posted at City Hall. Notice of this meeting was also published in the Daily Press.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor David Meier, Robert Roberts, Dennis Nero, Thomas Farley, Steven Skok, Mark Kopp, David Greene, City Manager and Solicitor Stephen French

Absent: Gelindo Bonfardine (excused)

VISITORS

Visitors included: Andy Swasta, Sally Geyer, Sean Gabler, Tim Cotter, and Richard Sadley

Removed from
Agenda
Lease Agreement

Mayor Meier stated the Lease Agreement under Legislative Action regarding the Humane Society shelter will be removed from tonight's agenda and will be placed back on a future agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 12, 2005

Dennis Nero made a motion to approve the minutes of September 12, 2005, seconded by Steven Skok, and all were in favor.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments on agenda items.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Greene presented the following report:

- Met with Eric Sanoba, Labor Mediator from the Dept. of Labor and Industry.
- Met with a private developer to discuss plans for a new restaurant.
- Met with Gabe Uljon from ATA to discuss plans for a possible Inter-Modal Transportation Center for St. Marys.
- Met with representatives from Gannett-Fleming Engineers. They are currently working on the traffic study and as of this date they are still gathering traffic information.
- Attended a tour of the Christian Food Bank with State Senator Scarnati.
- Met with Bob Yoder and members of the PHFA to tour the proposed site of the Commercial/Housing Development project for Depot Street.
- Met with Tom Fleming and toured his new manufacturing powder metal plant on Grotzinger Rd.
- Met again with a private developer to discuss plans for a new restaurant.
- Tina, Darlene, and I met with Elk Waste to discuss our Recycling Program.
- Attended a legislative luncheon in DuBois.

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- Met with representatives of the Snowmobile Assoc. to discuss the use of DeLaum Road for snowmobile use.
- Attended the ground breaking ceremony at the airport for the new terminal building.
- Victor Straub and I met with Pete Winkler from Rep. John Peterson's office to discuss funding for the new terminal building.
- Attended the Downtown Blueprint Committee meeting held on September 15th.
- Attended a tree planting ceremony celebrating the Shade Tree Commissions' 10th Anniversary.
- Attended a prayer service at the St. Marys High School for victims of Hurricane Katrina.

APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES

Mark Kopp made a motion to approve the Expenditures for the period August 12, 2005 thru September 15, 2005, seconded by Thomas Farley, and all were in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Mayor Meier presented the Treasurer's Report as of August 31, 2005. Total revenue collected for the General Fund was \$3,333,971. Last year at this time, the fund collected \$2,855,014. A portion of the increase was due to the City collecting \$400,338.56 in Emergency Municipal Taxes as of August 31, 2005. The General Fund has collected 72.62% of the budget in revenues and expended 54.39%. All other funds are well within their budgets. Pension funds are still climbing in market value.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Award of Bids
 WWTP Anaerobic
 Digester Rehab

Mayor Meier stated the following four bids for the WWTP Anaerobic Digester Rehabilitation were opened during a public meeting held on September 15, 2005:

Wayne Crouse, Inc., Pittsburgh, PA.	\$276,000.
Overdorf Mechanicals, DuBois, PA...	\$267,600.
Bob Cummins General, Bradford, PA..	\$286,800.
Wm. T. Spaeder Co., Erie, PA.....	\$236,800.

Thomas Farley made a motion to award the bid for the anaerobic digester rehabilitation to W. T. Spaeder Co, Inc. for \$236,800.00. The motion was seconded by Mark Kopp and all were in favor.

Solicitor French stated the legal process was satisfied as per KLH Engineer's request regarding the Notary Public's seal and the facsimile modification of an already received bid.

Manhole Risers, Frames,
 and Covers

Mayor Meier stated two bids for manhole risers, frames, and covers for the Wastewater Treatment Plant were opened during a public meeting held on September 12, 2005.

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A memo was received from Lad Kornacki, Chief Operator, recommending the bids for manhole risers, covers, and frames be awarded as follows:

Neenah Foundry Co., Neenah, WI
 Manhole frame & cover
 Manhole covers
 Sewer inspection ports
 (various prices and sizes)

East Jordan Ironworks, Inc., Monroeville, PA
 Manhole risers Type 1
 Tapered manhole risers Type 1
 Manhole risers Type 2
 Rubber adjustment rings
 (various prices and sizes)

A motion was made by Mark Kopp to award the bids for manhole risers, frames, and covers, per the recommendation, seconded by Steven Skok, and all were in favor.

Chemicals

Mayor Meier stated the following three bids for chemicals were opened during a public meeting held on September 12, 2005:

Univar USA, Altoona, PA
 Cost per CWT for 20% NaOH.....\$11.45
 Cost per CWT for 50% NaOH.....\$17.45

SAL Chemical, Weirton, WV
 Cost per CWT for 20% NaOH.....\$ 9.68
 Cost per CWT for 50% NaOH.....\$19.63

K.A. Steel Chemicals, Inc., Lemont IL
 Cost per CWT for 20% NaOH.....\$ 7.79
 Cost per CWT for 50% NaOH.....\$15.80

A memo was received from Lad Kornacki, Chief Operator, recommending that the bid for caustic soda be awarded to K.A. Steel Chemicals, Inc. for both the twenty (20%) percent and fifty (50%) percent NaOH.

Dennis Nero made a motion, per staff's recommendation, to award the bid for caustic soda to K.A. Steel Chemicals, Inc., seconded by Robert Roberts, and all were in favor.

Truck Chassis

Mayor Meier stated that the following two bids for a truck chassis for the WWTP were opened at a public meeting held on September 1, 2005:

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Sunbury Motor Co., Sunbury, PA....\$89,478.

Murrays Freightliner Sterling
Western Star, DuBois, PA\$90,151.

A memo was received from Lad Kornacki, Chief Operator, noting that Sunbury Motor Co. appeared to be the low bidder but did not meet the specifications and should be rejected. He recommended that the bid for the truck chassis be awarded to Murrays Freightliner Sterling Western Star less the \$100. service warranty for the total amount of \$90,051.

Steven Skok made a motion to table this bid until we get more information on the vactor truck that is going to be attached to it, seconded by Thomas Farley, and all were in favor.

Consider for Publication
Ordinance No. 211 re:
DeLaum Road as a
Snowmobile Road

Ordinance No. 211 was presented designating DeLaum Road as a special snowmobile road. Robert Roberts made a motion to publish Ordinance No. 211, seconded by Dennis Nero, and all were in favor. The road will be properly posted.

Travel Expenses Policy

Thomas Farley made a motion to approve the Travel Expenses Policy, seconded by Mark Kopp, and all were in favor. The revised policy changes allowable expenses under Personal Auto Use of 34.0 cents to the IRS Standard Mileage Rate.

State Street
Traffic Signal

A memo was received from the Public Works Director regarding the State Street traffic signal. Correspondence from PennDOT was also attached. PennDOT has collected additional pedestrian count data confirming that the traffic signal located at Keystone Pressed Metals on State Route 120 is still not warranted. The volume of pedestrians per hour is insufficient to warrant the existence of a signal.

Solicitor French stated that if the traffic signal was ordained and if Council decides to remove the light, the City's Ordinance would have to be amended.

It was decided that the City should contact the management at Keystone Pressed Metals regarding the removal of the traffic signal and bring their comments back to Council.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON
NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

There were no citizen comments on non-agenda items.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Dennis Nero stated an "Executive Session" will be held on Wednesday, September 28th at 8:00 a.m. regarding the Manager's evaluation.

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Thomas Farley requested that the Manager advise the local distributors of outdoor furnaces of the City's ordinance regarding the regulations and requirements of these furnaces.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Meier made the following announcements:

- Next Council meeting will be held on October 3, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.
- Trick or Treat - October 31, 2005 6-8 p.m. porch light invitation only.
- October 15th, is National Martial Arts Day.
- Elk Regional Health Center will be holding an event regarding womens' health care issues.
- The United Way Drive will begin on Wednesday

Budget Schedule

Mayor Meier stated according to the Home Rule Charter, the City must adopt a "Preliminary Budget" 30 days before the end of the year. The tentative schedule regarding budget meetings will have to be revised.

Executive Session

The Manager requested that an Executive Session be held tonight concerning a personnel matter.

Thomas Farley asked to be excused from the October 3, 2005 Council meeting.

Executive Session

An Executive Session was held at this time. The Council meeting was reconvened with no decision on the discussion held.

ADJOURNMENT

Dennis Nero made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mark Kopp, and all were in favor.

 Mayor

Shirley Dicklas
 Recording Secretary