

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
Village of Malta Council

REGULAR SESSION

**Held: April 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	Absent
Council Member Jamie White	Present
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):** John Woods, Jeff Taylor, Steve Best, Janis Keller (MCH), Ward Coffman (Solicitor)

**Invocation:** The Invocation was given by Don Larrick.

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

Visitor John Woods asked for an update on reclamation. Bill said they are supposed to be in town next week to do asphalt and then come back 2 weeks after.

Visitors Steve Best & Jeff Taylor came to council with their vision for a new business venture in Malta. Nothing is for sure yet, everything is still in the works. Thoughts of a car wash and a laundry mat. Laundry mat would not be 24 hours. Car wash would be 24 hours. Asked council for their thoughts and opinions – council excited to have new business in Malta.

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

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

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

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

- \* Next Utility Meeting will be held June 10, 2025. Council members missed last meeting.
- \* Ask trustees if they can flip brush hog over fence to mow.
- \* VFW Had a good turn out for their Easter Egg Hunt. Had 9,000 eggs done up. Close to 1,000 kids and gave away 75 bicycles.

**Fiscal Officer, Ashlee Stevens:**

- \* Introduced **Resolution 25-07 RESOLUTION FOR ADDITIONAL REVENUE**
- \* Introduced **Ordinance 25-08 ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**
- \* Introduced **Ordinance 25-09 ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS**

**A MOTION TO ACCEPT RESOLUTION 25-07 – A RESOLUTION FOR ADDITIONAL REVENUE, WAS MADE BY LESLIE ROBBINS, SECONDED BY DON LARRICK. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.**

**A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR ORDINANCE 25-08 – AN ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS WAS MADE BY LESLIE ROBBINS, SECONDED BY JAMIE WHITE. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.**

**A MOTION TO ACCEPT ORDINANCE 25-08 - AN ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS WAS MADE BY LESLIE ROBBINS, SECONDED BY JAMIE WHITE. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.**

**A MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES FOR ORDINANCE 25-09 - AN ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS WAS MADE BY LESLIE ROBBINS, SECONDED BY DON LARRICK. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.**

**A MOTION TO ACCEPT ORDINANCE 25-09 - AN ORDINANCE FOR ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS WAS MADE BY DON LARRICK, SECONDED BY LESLIE ROBBINS. ROLL CALL VOTE, ALL YEAS.**

**Bill Smith, Village Administrator:**

- \* Work on village building moving forward.
- \* Sewer and water issues have been keeping us busy.
- \* DLZ meeting tomorrow at Water Treatment Plant at 8:00 AM to discuss upgrade.
- \* Council Member Homer Weekley turning flag orders in on Monday. (As of 4/17/2025 18 total orders)
- \* Mayor Terry McGrath and Village Administrator Bill Smith got a tour of Atlantic Fire.
- \* Mayor Terry McGrath talked to government officials on plant project.
- \* 1-2 weeks should get the OK to start purchasing water bottle fillers.
- \* Guests in favor of project – suggested running 2 inch lines.
- \* Well #8/ballfield considered wet land, so now need a few new permits.
- \* Smoke test at John Woods – smoke was too old to work – ordered new.

**Council President, Leslie Robbins:**

- \* Opening Day Saturday April 19, 2025. Opening ceremony is at 10:00 A.M. Flags are up.
- \* Joint meeting with Malta Cemetery is June 5, 2025.
- \* Everything going well, no complaints so far.
- \* Darrin Carpenter will continue to mow the cemetery.
- \* Thanked Bill for not putting docks in due to flooding.

**Council Member, Jamie White:**

- \* Asked if they are going to be patching the roads again. Bill plans to patch this week. Bill mentioned patch we used previously from Morris Hardware has been discontinued and is currently checking other options.
- \* New flags are needed at Goins Field. It is overdue.
- \* Someone had asked to use Goins Field for a practice field.

**Council Member, Scott Moore:**

- \* Ann Bonner has sent some stuff for the tree grant – plans to meet with Ann next month. Funding is still available.
- \* Disappointed by M&M Fire Dept. for still not responding to him about commute times to Malta for emergencies if bridge is out and there is flood. Village Administrator Bill Smith suggested talking to John Finley. Mayor Terry McGrath suggested talking to the commissioners. Would like a response from local personnel before contacting Troy Balderson. Will attempt to ask again. Hopes M&M Fire Dept. agrees Malta residents are just as important as McConnelsville residents. Leslie suggests speaking with John Wilt.
- \* Village Administrator Bill Smith asks if trees are just for residents or for entire village. Scott says tree grant is for whole village, and council would need to create a tree committee.
- \* Would like to have grant done by summer.
- \* Asked about speed bumps. Bill is working on it.

**Council Member, Devan Vincent:**


- \* Had second America250 meeting. Representatives from VFW, Chesterhill Village, Tracy Simons, Steve Best, all attended and had great ideas.
- \* Next meeting is June 4, 2025.

**Council Member, Don Larrick:**

- \* Asked Village Administrator Bill Smith when the ramp will be put in at new building so they can put the trim in around the doors.
- \* House beside him put new plastic pipe in to drain gutters – would run in the street, when new curb was put in they didn't leave the hole, Bill said we can cut a hole in the curb.
- \* Thanked Bill for cleaning storm drain.

- \* Asked about the deer for the roundabout that is being sculpted. Bill stated Homer tried to get ahold of the person making it and couldn't reach him.
- \* VFW had good turnout at the Grand Re-Opening, standing room only.

With no further business to bring before Council the meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m. on a motion made by Don Larrick.

  
Terry McGrath, Mayor

  
Ashlee Stevens, Fiscal Officer