

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
Village of Malta Council

REGULAR SESSION

Held: April 16, 2026

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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	Present
Council Member Scott Moore	Present
Council Member John Woods	Present
Council Member Don Larrick	Absent

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

Visitor(s): Kevin Kraman, Ward Coffman (Solicitor), Tom Gormley

Invocation: The Invocation was given by Jamie White.

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

Don Larrick was excused from the meeting on a motion made by Leslie Robbins, seconded by Homer Weekley. Roll call vote, all yeas.

The minutes from the previous regular meeting were approved on a motion made by Leslie Robbins, seconded by Jamie White. Roll call vote, all yeas.

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

Motion to go into executive session at 6:05 P.M. was made by Leslie Robbins, seconded by Homer Weekley. Roll call vote, all yeas.

Motion to come out executive session at 6:37 P.M. was made by Leslie Robbins, seconded by Homer Weekley. Roll call vote, all yeas

Motion to buy two new meters for the water treatment plant was made by Homer Weekley, seconded by Jamie White. Roll call vote, all yeas.

Vistor, Kevin Craman:

* Expressed concerns about residents cutting grass and blowing it into the street. Asked if there is an ordinance that grass cannot be blown into the streets? There is such an ordinance. Mentioned that the visitor that left was concerned about park maintenance and upkeep. Also concerned about the slip on Front Street. Asked if there is money to apply for – Malta has not yet applied for the funding.

Mayor, Terry McGrath:

* The slips is about 240 feet.

* DLZ doesn't have enough engineers available to fix the slip on Front Street, so Shannon Wells checked with ADR and they are saying the cost could be \$888,770 to fix the slip. Shannon thinks 90% of funding is available and DLZ thinks they can cover the other 10%.

* New River Engineering had stopped in the village office, Terry has reached out to them 3 times with no response.

* Even if the village is awarded funding it would be December before it could go out for bid on the slip. Not getting the slip fixed can jeopardize the rehabilitation grant we were awarded. Jamie suggests a loan to secure the 10% funding. Homer agreed we need to start now on working on the slip. Bill also mentioned testing will need to be done in the area of the slip.

*1111 Echo Street had quite a bit of debris removed from the property.

Fiscal Officer, Ashlee Stevens:

* Presented Ordinance 26-06 **AN ORDINANCE TO HIRE VILLAGE EMPLOYEE**

A motion to suspend the rules for Ordinance 26-06 **AN ORDINANCE TO HIRE VILLAGE EMPLOYEE** was made by Jamie White, seconded by Homer Weekley. Roll call vote, all yeas.

A motion to accept Ordinance 26-06 AN ORDINANCE TO HIRE VILLAGE EMPLOYEE was made by Jamie White, seconded by Homer Weekley. Roll call vote, all yeas.

Bill Smith, Village Administrator:


- * Sprayed the fence line yesterday
- * Cleaned water towers, patched South Tower and 2 patches on North Tower
- * Replacing two meters in the water treatment plant. Meters are \$11,000 per meter, plus installation costs.


Council Member, Homer Weekley:

- * Riverfest is coming up and there is a band lined up and it will be in Malta again.
- * Hometown Heroes Flags should be in May 1st, and will be up by Mother's Day.
- * The price of the Hometown Heroes Flags has gone up because the company has been sold to a corporation.
- * With Riverfest being in Malta, would like to add Jeepfest as well, where everyone would ride to all the covered bridges in Morgan County, Henman Cave in Chesterhill, and Pontoon Contest.
- * Roundabout sign update – instead of 3 sides, want to do 2 sides on 2 pillars. One facing McConnelville side and the other facing St. Rt. 78 Malta side. 2 pillars will cut the cost of the sign and less chance of it getting hit. Add some color by using river rock and shrubs. Would like it to be low maintenance.
- * Going to get new estimates.

America250 Meeting is May 17, 2026 at 3:00 P.M. at the Historical Society.

With no further business to bring before Council the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 P.M. on a motion made by Leslie Robbins.


Terry McGrath, Mayor


Ashlee Stevens, Fiscal Officer