

MINUTES OF MABA MEETING - April 12, 2015 - Malvern Public Library

The MABA meeting was called to order by President Deb Breeding at 4:04 pm. Minutes of the previous meeting were presented by email and by handout. Minutes were approved with a move and second.

In absence of the treasurer, the following totals were given by the president: Account \$7,864.93; Gateway of Chaos \$15,455.77; Rec Grant \$30,462.30; Malvern Bucks \$675; PayPal \$1,090.02. The treasurer's report was approved. A \$15 monthly service for PayPal was noted. Board approval of account matters was discussed to maintain accountability and member protection.

Rec Park: Marsha Williams presented Park Board approved drawings of the Rec Park. The grade (slope) was discussed. The retaining wall, shelter, wall replacement, possible savings, and \$30,000 grant were mentioned. The playground equipment drawing was also shown. Drop zones are the issue. Cory's bid will be forwarded onto MABA when realized. Wood fiber was mentioned with positives and negatives of alternatives. Deb Breeding clarified: \$30,000 in Rec Park needs to be spent by the end of May. Original estimate of retaining wall was \$25,000, and \$2,350 for architectural drawing. Playground equipment monies of \$15,000 was mentioned. Marsha has conversed with Linda Washburn about a ribbon cutting for the basketball court, announcing the plans to continue.

Future MABA Projects: The next grant has a September 1 deadline. MABA members expressed high interest in the future of the Malvern Community Building

Youth Award: The application has been revamped and one applicant has applied.

Gateway of Chaos: Claire, Stephanie, and Cheryl Hess were in attendance. Updates -- Duties are being shared to ease the workload. Cheryl introduced herself giving her resume verbally and will be serving as Kari's counterpart. A date to clean out the Jones property was discussed. Two expectations of GOC Leadership Team were noted: 1. Budget to be presented to MABA Board; 2. List of needs for MABA. A budget will be organized by Cheryl's committee. Ideas to revamp the scare line to produce more quality for the money will be considered.

En Plein Air: It's been decided to take a year off for planning and exploring possible connections with other activities.

Loess Hills Funeral Home Chamber Coffee: April 23, 9:30 a.m.

Glenwood Giving Garden Flier: Produce is raised for the food bank. Several members are interested in working an hour plus to help the cause.

Glenwood Chamber of Commerce and Mills County Tourism offered an idea of MABA participation in a Mills County Fair Booth.

MABA ribbon cutting for the downtown project in June was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:31 p.m.