

Official MABA Minutes – May 5, 2013

The regular meeting of the Malvern Area Betterment Association was held at The Welcome Center in Malvern and called to order at 5:00 p.m. on May 5, 2013. Members in attendance were: President Bev Dashner, Vice President Cheryl Jones, Secretary Diane Clay, Treasurer Patty Beres, Fred Moreau, Amy Smith, Deb Breeding, Kate Phelps, Lynn Christenson, Stacy Means, Gary Jones, Mary Poort, Greg Jones, Dwain Pelzer, Brian Jaschen, Jesse Jones, Ruby Simms and MinDee Sommerla.

Minutes were read and unanimously approved with a motion by Stacey Means and seconded by MinDee Sommerla.

Treasurer's report was as follows: Regular Checking \$2,587.79, New Malvern Recreation Project (MRP) \$29,246.56, \$15,000 for Grant and \$2500 transferred for MABA's first donation, Gateway to Chaos \$13,909.35, membership now \$2,730. Motion made to accept the report by Amy Smith and seconded by Cheryl Jones.

Brian Jaschen presented designs for the Malvern Bucks. Prices quoted to print 500 of each document would cost \$327 or 65 cents each, to print 1,000 \$472 or 45 cents each, and to print 1,500 \$586 or 37 cents each. Malvern Bucks will be used similar to gift certificates. MABA could use as prizes. Any business can take Malvern Bucks, deposit them as a check. A motion was made by Ruby Simms and seconded by Amy Smith to have no expiration date. Motion carried. Businesses would give back change as they would get the amount of the Malvern Bucks when it's deposited as a check. Design payment to Brian would be \$75. Patty Beres moved to purchase 250 of \$25 and \$10. Fred Moreau seconded. Discussion followed. Motion did not carry. MinDee Sommerla made a motion to print 500 of each \$25 and \$10. Fred Moreau seconded. Motion carried.

Brian then showed examples of designs for Independence Day Celebration including table tents. It was suggested to have 30. Bank statement inserts were discussed and will need 1500. Three would fit on 8 1/2 by 11 sheets black toner on colored paper, cost would be \$504, schedule of events on back. Bigger posters 8 1/2 by 14 color would be \$193 to print 100. A poster 11 by 17 would be \$76 to do 20. Bev and MinDee will let Brian know what we would like.

The Multi-Sport project was discussed. The house on 709 Prospect will be purchased when abstract is complete. Fire Dept. would do a training exercise in the house prior to demolition. Several area VFDs are interested in participating. It was discussed what if the pool was expanded. Waiting on drawings. There are a lot of issues to look at before starting the playground. Our goal and objective doesn't change only with the location of playground plans. 401/403 Main Street Building is now owned by MABA. \$80,000 Derelict Building Grant funding is official.

Downtown CDB Grant will be announced in the next two weeks. When city gets funding is when plans begin for where money will be used. Twenty two buildings are in the project including 401 & 403 Main.

MinDee Sommerla reported on the Independence Day Celebration plan. Cheerleaders will serve breakfast. Race the Trace by Friends of Library. Deb Breeding is working on a bicycle contest at the High School for kids. Parade will be at 11:00. Volleyball tournament will be done by Deb Breeding and Becca. Noon to 5:00 is the flea market. There will be three water style blow ups and a regular Bounce House - 1:00 to 7:00, cost is \$450 for four hours. Wrist bands will be the admission. D.J. Bill Wit all day for \$300. 1:00 to 10:00pm. Shane Sayers will do the announcing starting at 5:30 for evening events. Push ball will be at 7:30. D. Pelzer will see if Firemen will do a kids' water fight. Coin scramble will be done at intermission of push ball. It is sponsored by Malvern Bank, Fire Department and MABA. A car hop during parade was discussed. MinDee Sommerla will check out the details. Concessions trailer by the grandstand. Dinner will be served in the Commons building. MABA pay for all food and organize. Another organization will help serve with a 50/50 profit after food is paid for. EMT and Fireman of year will be the Grand Marshalls of the Parade. Petting Zoo will be 3-5:00pm.

Ruby Simms is the welcome center attendant now. Library will no longer allow W.C. to use their internet. No phone or Internet are now available in the Welcome Center. A six month Century Link contract is \$29.95 and a year contract would be \$39.00. Our rent contract with the Library expired in March. MABA needs to negotiate contract with Library Board. No price has been agreed upon. The Library budget is short \$3,000 or \$4,000. The monies for the rent from the building go to the general fund not to the Library. MABA can afford little rent due to the many fundraising events and commitments now scheduled. Councilman Dwain Pelzer stated we need to work together. The City Council meeting is May 13th. This will be tabled until after the City Council meeting.

Gary Jones reported on the BBQ for En Plein Air. Categories & registrations will be the same. Extra meat will be planned to be served at the Festival of Tables. Other plans will be finalized by August. Next year we may look into changing the date since there is another BBQ contest in Omaha each year on that date.

A report on the City street nodes was given by Bev Dashner. Diagrams of examples from Jack May were passed around. It would cost \$2,250 to do all three nodes. The grant is for \$1400. Patty Beres moved to purchase six concrete pots at \$50 each. It was seconded by Amy Smith. Motion carried. Ruby Simms would like to pay for six pots as a donation. Deb Breeding moved we do two large nodes, one on the East and one on the West at 5th & Main St. Patty Beres seconded. Motion carried. It was discussed to put two pots on the two nodes and four in Heritage Park.

Gateway of Chaos update was given on behalf of Kari Fry. Menards Credit Application has been applied and will pay for construction materials. The HLT is trying to find a makeup person for this year. Tool inventory results were discussed. Greg Jones recommended we don't buy the tools, probably not \$600 worth of tools there. Replacement value of tools would be \$1000. Spencer said \$550 is as low as he can go. John Downy and Chipper Blackman should be consulted with. Deb Breeding moved we offer \$300 to Spencer to tools. Amy Smith seconded. The motion carried. There were two no votes.

Discussion of Community Building use for teens was tabled until next meeting.

New website for Malvernia.com is up and running as of last week. Let Kate know if you have any suggestions for changes.

Ribbon Cutting for Car Wash will be discussed next time.

Ted Doscher brought some designs for new plan for the recreation area. It was discussed to expand the pool to the south. Maybe an open lot could be the playground. Keep the multi courts where planned. New pool options were discussed.

The farewell party for Spencer & Kimmy was discussed. Everyone attending from MABA is asked to bring appetizers. The decorating will be done a little before 6:00 pm using red, white and black.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.