

## Official MABA Minutes – July 6, 2014

The regular meeting of the Malvern Area Betterment Association was held at the Library Annex. It was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Members in attendance were: President Bev Dashner, MinDee Sommerla, Bruce and Deb Breeding, Tom Mulholland, Ethan Richter, Steve Barrett, Chance Beres, Adrian Barber, Patty Beres, Ruby Simms, Chad McCollister, Destiny Killin, Connie Harper, Claire Thalkin,, Woody Wright, Scott and Lura Shehan.

Minutes were read. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Patty Beres and seconded by Deb Breeding

Treasurer's report was as follows: Regular checking \$10,659.65, New recreation project \$3,314.77, Gateway to Chaos \$7,041.81. Malvern Bucks \$285. Motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Bruce Breeding, seconded by Patty Beres. Motion Carried.

The Malvern Business Group report was given by Tom Mulholland. He discussed meeting in the mornings.

CDBG progress discussed. Bev reported bid letting is to start in August and September.

Mills County Fair Board representatives Chad McCollister and Woody Wright discussed the new building at the Fair Grounds. \$1.4 million committed to the project already and the project is estimated to cost \$2.5 million. Vision Iowa Cat Grant needs community support letters to have a better chance to get. Grant would range from \$500-800,000. MinDee made a motion to have MABA support the new Community Center Building. Bruce seconded. Motion Carried.

The basketball court cement is laid, the gravel is in, fence poles up and the fencing is going up week of July 14<sup>th</sup>. Project needs another \$5,000 for rest of the fencing. The lighting is on hold until more funding is available.

JEO pool study was discussed. They need to find a new company to find the leak and get a cost estimate to fix it. Going to the City Council in July .

En Plein Air Art Festival was discussed. We need to choose to keep the activities on Main Street or move to Boehner Pond. Deb made a motion to move the activities to Boehner Pond. Bruce seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MinDee reported on the Independence Day Celebration. She reported that everything is coming together. More volunteers are needed. Parade is being organized by Ruby Simms. She has several people lined up to be in the parade including a Civil War re-enactment. We have five Grand Marshalls, one from each war starting with World War II.

The Wabash Trace Marathon is on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Deb needs someone to chair this event.

A Gateway of Chaos stated they need face paint for the Independence Day Celebration.

There was a discussion about fixing the garage door on Spencer's garage where MABA stores supplies. Bruce made a motion to have Gary Wunschel fix the garage door. Tom Mulholland seconded the motion. Motion Passed.

Minutes taken by MinDee Sommerla typed by Diane Clay.