

June 5, 2016 - MABA Meeting Minutes

The June meeting of MABA was called to order by President Breeding at 4:08 PM on June 5, 2016. Members present were Bruce Breeding, Mary Poort, Lura Shehan, Ruby Simms, Patty Beres, GOC co-director Claire Thalkin, and Bev Dashner. No minutes were available from last month as the secretary is absent.

Lura Shehan gave the treasurer's report:

Regular Fund acct.= \$8,825.51

GOC=\$14,918.55

Grant Acct. =\$11,992.65 which includes \$5,000 for the Way Finding Grant received from MCCF

PayPal Acct. = \$477.80

Malvern Bucks = \$440

Claire T. gave a GOC report including a sponsorship packet for Boy Scouts or other sponsors. There was discussion about this year's budget which should be around \$6,500. Some props will go away if not used this year. There has been discussion about having a dark maze and/or a midway area where we can sell glow sticks and air brush tattoos. There will be an asylum theme with a section with 3-D glasses which needs only 2 scarers.

Deb gave a report on the Community Building Project. The Memorial Day lunch was a big success. We had food for 100 and at least 60 came. The bill was under \$300. Free will donations amounted to over \$500. The extra \$258.96 will go to the Friends of the Community Building for more renovations. People in attendance loved the improvements. There was a discussion about the next grant cycle in September.

Bev D. gave a report on the upcoming Sizzlin' Summerfest celebration plans. Ruby Simms reported that Howard & Donna Brown will set up a display in the Community Building honoring fallen police officers from all across the country. The display will be free to the public. Ruby made a motion, Bruce Breeding seconded to pay the \$40 fee to use the Community Building for that purpose on the day of the parade. Motion approved.

A discussion was held regarding free tickets for some of the people who are Summerfest performers. Mary Poort motioned that people coming in with performers should pay to come in, but if they leave immediately after the performance they can get their money back. Wives of pushball people will have to pay. Anyone without wristbands pays to get in. Motion passed.

This year's grand marshal will be Avis Jones in the parade.

Bruce Breeding gave a RAGBRAI update. MABA will serve bakery/pastry items and sliced apples with dip and/or peanut butter. To serve 500 people it is expected that profit will be approx. \$1,000-1,500.

Deb B. reported on the Iowa Great Places grant that was submitted on June 1 by John McCurdy at SWIPCO. We will receive notice if we are finalists by mid-June and a selection committee will tour the town by the end of June. We will know on July 1 whether we have been awarded the grant for \$292,900.00 to replace sidewalks, paint light posts, add new lamp posts, and install public art and a mural plus other amenities.

Misc. information included the fact that the www.malvernia.com website will be changed if both the City and MABA approve. Nate Eckley will change the usability of the website and include a calendar that people can reserve Community Building dates. There will be a Facebook feed from the malvernia Facebook page. Bruce Breeding made a motion, Bev Dashner seconded and all approved the cost for the upgraded website.

Mary Poort announced that Mayor Blackburn has nominated MABA for the Governor's Group Volunteer Award. The presentation will be at Iowa Western College campus on July 8 at 1 PM. The award is given by the Iowa commission on Volunteer Service. MABA has been selected to receive this award. MABA will need several representatives to attend and accept this award.

President Breeding adjourned the meeting at 5:30 PM.

Minutes submitted by Beverly Dashner, director