

Official MABA Minutes –August 7, 2016

The regular meeting of the Malvern Area Betterment Association was held at the Malvern Public Library and called to order at 4:00 p.m. on August 7, 2016.

Members in attendance were: President Deb Breeding, Secretary Diane Clay, Bruce Breeding, Bev Dashner, Ruby Simms, Cheryl Jones, Mary Poort, Claire Thalken, Rich Christianson and Tiffany Yakes-Starr.

Minutes were read and unanimously approved with a motion and a second. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was as follows: Regular checking \$17,344.52. Gateway of Chaos \$14,918.55, Grant \$3,983.68, Pay Pal \$435.88, and Malvern Bucks \$440.00. The treasurer's report was approved with a motion and second. Motion carried.

A question was raised if MABA could get in trouble for holding too much money in their accounts with a discussion following. Cheryl made a motion that MABA gets a professional's opinion. Tiffany seconded. Motion carried.

Rich Christianson the new co-director of **Gateway of Chaos** introduced himself. He explained there would be a new floor plan and a new theme of asylum. The clown side will be expanded. All the walls are in and all the props are off the trailer. There have been 8 or 10 people helping. There will be Saturday and Sunday construction. Expanding the days of operation were discussed as an option for this year, to every Friday and Saturday starting on Sept 30th. Parking will be on the West side of the building this year. There is a need for security person and person for parking. A barricade will be put on the East side to direct people to the new parking area. The Haunt has is a volunteer for each Friday night to sell tickets. Board members were asked to volunteer for night of operation and find staff for all positions. It was discussed about having an outside concession if MABA isn't running one and about food being provided to haunt help. Classic Café has in the past supplied food for six evenings of operation. We will approach them about this year and also contact Casey's to see if they would donate pizza for a few nights. Claire and Rich thought that providing meals during construction this year was not necessary. Tiffany we suggested we check with

Fred about taking left over Bakery items on Saturday to the Haunt and MABA would pay.

Bruce Breeding gave a wrap-up report on **RAGBRAI**. The project made \$2,619, definitely a success.

There will be about 1200 people in town on August 27-28 for the **Peddlers Jamboree** at Boehner Park Saturday 10:30 till 2:00 and Sunday 9:30 to noon. There will be a meeting Aug 10th at 7:00 p.m. at Classic Café regarding plans for this bike group coming thru town. Mary Poort moved to explore the possibility of having a food booth at Peddlers Jamboree. Motion seconded and carried.

The Wabash Trace Marathon on Sept 10th still needs one more water station covered. Diane offered to ask the Silver Creek Go-Getters if their 4-H club would be willing to host this water station and report back to Deb.

Tiffany reported on the **Pool Party** plans.

Under **miscellaneous** items Deb attended the latest Park Board Meeting about offering MABA's help to paint the swing frame in T & N Park swing frame and purchase swings. Cheryl Jones moved MABA do this project. Tiffany Seconded motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:29 p.m.