

MALVERN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MALVERN CITY HALL
July 11, 2016 – 7 p.m.

The July 11, 2016, regular meeting of the Malvern City Council was called to order by Mayor Blackburn at 7:02 p.m. at the City Hall Council Chambers, Malvern, Iowa.

Mayor Blackburn recognized the following Councilmembers as present: Kate McGann, Bruce Breeding, Fred Moreau. Absent: Doug Shere. Visitors: three. There was one request to address the Council. City Clerk Mary Poort was also present.

Breeding motioned to approve the **consent agenda**: Public Hearing #1 - Sewer Rate Minutes, Public Hearing #2 – Water Rate Minutes, Public Hearing #3 – CDBG Housing Minutes, Regular Council Meeting Minutes all of June 13, 2016, and the Current Expenditures, allowing for an item on the tentative agenda to be moved - item 7a to item 5b. McGann seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Gregg Greene **addressed the Council** concerning lots 7-10 west of 90th Avenue. Motion by Councilmember McGann to give Gregg Greene an extension until August 8, 2016, for any abatement of weeds, grass, and junk/junk-vehicles by owner. Any City abatement will follow the Malvern City Ordinances. Moreau seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES: **PeopleServiceReport** by Howard Peterson: Meters are scheduled to be read this week. Hydrant flushing will start the first week of August, to be noted on the July bill. The byproducts left in the water from the use of chlorine have been measured through a TTHM annual testing. The chlorine pump was rebuilt this month, with replacement parts reordered. Spraying the lagoon will be rescheduled and an invoice check was requested. Due to the rains, lift station pumps have moved 300,000 gallons more that last month.

A Public Water Supply Operation Permit Revision was also discussed, with an effective date of June 30, 2016, due to expire October 31, 2017. The lead and copper testing has been bumped up to this year between June and September. Phosphate testing is now in writing on the permit. With left-over PeopleService maintenance money, 16 meters were purchased.

Century Link has been contacted regarding the telephone line that runs from the tower to the well. A change to radio signal will be explored with pricing figures for the next Council meeting.

Nitrate levels are lower than last month and last year. DNR continues to contact farmers to do another buffer around the well. There are costs and incentive programs to consider in addressing CRP and cover crops. Source water protection and water treatment for iron and magnesium still remain topics of discussion with a timetable in progress to be revisited in September.

Street Superintendent Report by Dave Hoose: City Clerk Mary Poort read the report. This month's work orders consisted of brush pile maintenance, tree branch clean-up from storms, weekly downtown clean-up, assorted pot hole issues on Main Street, concrete work for benches, curbs repair on Main Street and West 4th Street, assorted gravel alley repairs, downtown, parks, and streets weed control, assemblage of tables for the Rec Park shelter, RAGBRAI preparation: mapping, signage, ordering equipment & materials.

RAGBRAI preparation will continue. Council member issues or concerns need to be addressed with the Streets

Department. All other concerns need to be addressed through City Hall.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: **Update on 908 Main:** A response to the courts was considered valid. The attorney will continue to go through the process.

NEW BUSINESS:

Notice of **Intent to Fill Vacancy** on the City Council is again to be published July 14, 2016, to allow an appointment before the 60-day time limit. One letter of interest has been received by City Hall. A special meeting is under consideration.

Motion by McGann, second by Moreau to approve Resolution 2016-19: **Transfer Local Option Sales Tax Funds** for City Hall Lot Project. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by McGann, second by Moreau to approve Resolution 2016-20: **Certifying City Charges** with the County regarding invoice to Robert Allshouse, 508 2nd Avenue. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Breeding, second by McGann to approve Resolution 2016-21: **Certifying City Charges** with the County regarding property of John Douglas, 202 East 4th Street. All ayes; motion carried. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Moreau, second by McGann to **approve Classic Café's request** for expanded commercial space, July 24, 2016, pending outdoor liquor license approval for RAGBRAI event. All ayes; motion carried.

Motion by Breeding, second by McGann to **approve Pedaler's Jamboree's Block Party Application** for Boehner PARK, August 27-28, 2016. All ayes; motion carried.

Pedaler's Jamboree originated in Missouri, and is a bicycle and music festival that is riding the Wabash Trace through Malvern this year. They welcome any outside advertising. They encourage downtown businesses and vendors to get involved. The MVFD will be hosting a BBQ at Boehner Pond that weekend and are in support of Pedaler traffic. More information will be explored after RAGBRAI.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

The **Governor's Volunteer Awards Ceremony** was held on July 8, 2016, at IWCC. Mayoral nomination of **MABA** to receive this award proved successful. This State recognition on various fronts is good. MABA highlighted our small town and was the only small town in the area to get this recognition.

PROJECT/MEETING UPDATES:

RAGBRAI Committee Update: The RAGBRAI committees have been meeting for months. Volunteers are still needed. The vendors not only provide food but entertainment. Committee meetings will continue and sign-making will meet. There are procedures in place for parking at Fast Stop and Pool lots, street closures, and ID checking. The downtown area is an open container area. Discounted prices will be given to people with RAGBRAI bracelets.

CDBG Downtown Street Façade Project: The close-out procedures are soon to be completed. 'No Audit' papers have been signed. This report will not need to appear next month.

CDGG Housing Rehabilitation Project: This project is still pending an extension. The audit and closing papers are still on hold.

Downtown Iowa Great Places Grant: Malvern has been designated as an Iowa Great Place! The grant is for \$292,900. No City funds will be used with this grant. This is not used for basic infrastructure. It has to be used in the down town area. Some funds will come from MABA, a Mid-American Energy grant, and Malvern Trust & Savings Bank.

NUISANCE DISTRICT UPDATES:

District #1: Shere – no report.

District #2: Mayor and Deputy Clerk – An extension had been given to 409 West 4th. Shere’s are working on the mix of lumber and steel clean-up. Stacked truck frames are gone.

District #3: McGann will determine the next step in the 502-510 W 2nd—camper/debris abatement. No work on the 510 West 2nd Street demolition and abatement.

District #4: Breeding – two new nuisance descriptions submitted.

District #5: Moreau – 707 Wilson truck parking concerns were taken under consideration, noting the approved truck routes and steps in place for citizen complaints of offenders to City Hall.

Moreau motioned to adjourn at 8:53 p.m. There being no further business, Mayor Blackburn closed the meeting.

Michael K. Blackburn
Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Poort
City Clerk