

MALVERN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
MALVERN CITY HALL – 100 West 5th Street
March 11, 2019 – 7 p.m.

The March 11, 2019, regular meeting of the **Malvern City Council was called to order by Mayor Blackburn** at 7:01 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, 100 West 5th Street, Malvern, Iowa. Mayor Blackburn recognized the following **Councilmembers as present:** Chris Androy, Roger Johnson—via teleconferencing, Kate McGann, and Doug Shere. Bruce Breeding was absent. A quorum was recognized. Visitors: nine plus Water Superintendent arriving in time for his report. City Clerk Mary Poort was also present. Mayor Blackburn welcomed visitors and called for any non-agenda public presenters, there being none.

McGann motioned to approve the **Consent Agenda:** tentative agenda, regular meeting minutes of February 11, 2019, special meeting of March 4, 2019, and current expenditures. Androy seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Agenda Presenters: **1)** Mayor Blackburn recognized John Heidenescher and Lois Heidenescher, who presented proposals of plans and quoted figures, coupled with business, the Model Train Club for Kids, and single-family housing, for **Chantry Elementary renovation**. Council comments: Chantry has been in City possession since March 1st with no comprehensive plans set to date by the Council; concerns with selling part of building and single-family housing. **2)** Mayor Blackburn recognized Aaron Aistrope, of Aistrope Insurance, who presented a quote handout on **ICAP insurance** for Council review, with proposal to meet in reflection of a loss run document and ICAP services. Council comments indicated interest in setting a March 26th, 6 p.m., special meeting to consider ICAP services. **3)** Mayor Blackburn recognized Tiffany Yakes-Starr and Tara Copeland, MABA, who presented two alternate options for the **Wabash Marathon Route** in expectation of Marion Avenue Bridge closure. Routes require blocking 315th Street from the East Mills High School to 9th Street for a short period of time during the fall run. In out-of-agenda-order action, Shere motioned to approve Option 1 Wabash Marathon Route as presented with Main Street closure from East Mills High School to 9th Street, September 14, 2019. Androy seconded. All ayes; motion carried. Map will be provided to the Street Department for blockade provisions. Each presenter exited the meeting upon closure of presentation. **Community Presenters:** none.

DEPARTMENT UPDATES: **PeopleService Report—Howard Peterson—**February report presented. WATER: Nitrates higher than last year—within range. WASTEWATER: Sewer issue at 107 2nd Avenue; main plugged downstream at intersection of West 1st Street—jet truck root-sawed main out. Risers to be installed at both manholes. New grinder tripped out x 2: overload and fuse problems. Iowa PumpWorks check reveals dead short in conduit; plan to pull junction box.

Street Superintendent—Dave Hoose—February report presented. Daily/weekly trash, pop-can recycle overflow, equipment maintenance and City cleanup per six snow events: salt & sand mix and spread, snow piles/parking/intersections—haul away—800 truckloads this season; February and 1st week of March manhours = 310.

Snow emergency plan: Citing Ordinance 70.06: “IMPOUNDING VEHICLES. A peace officer is hereby authorized to remove, or cause to be removed, a vehicle from a street, public alley, public parking lot, or highway to the nearest garage or other place of safety, or to a garage designated or maintained by the City, under the circumstances hereinafter enumerated: (3) Snow Removal. When any vehicle is left parked in isolation of a ban on parking during snow removal operations.” The Street Department needs to call Mills County Sheriff’s Department to have such vehicle towed. Snow emergencies can be declared through several means.

Shere motioned to set a **public hearing** for April 8, 2019, Malvern City Hall Council Chambers, 100 West 5th Street, 7 p.m., to consider amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Malvern, Iowa, Section 69.07, by Amending Provisions Pertaining to Parking Prohibited, **Overnight Parking on Main Street**, 3rd to 5th Street. McGann seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Park Board Report – Chairman Steve Barrett—Notification of two grants has been received for Rec Park erosion repair— \$7,500 and pool house renovation—\$5,800. Looking forward to Leak Investigators repairing pool edging and pool joints and seams, Barrett requested a mayoral/councilmember walk-about with Leak Investigators outlining plan to repair Premier Pool’s poor workmanship. Mayor Blackburn and Pro-tem/Councilmember Johnson will be available.

Barrett outlined the mechanical process to filter cleaning in the pool pump room. Mayor suggested a scaffolding of galvanized grip strut is needed for safety in pump room. McGann motioned for the Malvern Street Department to clean filters two times a week at the Malvern City Pool. Shere seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: With discussion, City Clerk Mary Poort provided three proposed options for additional insurance coverage for the City of Malvern, reflecting a \$2,500 deductible. Mayor Blackburn recognized current EMC Agents Mindy and Rhett Goy to present on the **EMC renewal quote** for year starting April 1, 2019. Comments: handout of coverage, lower premium than past years, additional coverages, and timetable for renewal. McGann motioned to add Option 3 Additional Coverages and renew insurance with EMC, with a reschedule of the ICAP meeting for October of 2019 to explore ICAP options in the future. Shere seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Shere motioned to approve **RESOLUTION 2019-11 City of Malvern Social Media Policy**. McGann seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Shere motioned to **table Chantry Elementary property, PerMar system, fencing, and other concerns**. McGann seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: Shere motioned to approve **Liquor License Renewal for JD’s Hangout**, pending DRAM Insurance approval. Androy seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

McGann motioned to set a **public hearing** date as April 8, 2019, Malvern City Hall Council Chambers, 100 West 5th Street, 7 p.m., for approval of Ordinance 312, Adding a New Temporary Chapter 125, to the 2013 City of Malvern Ordinances, **Sesquicentennial – Miscellaneous**. Shere seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

McGann motioned to set a **public hearing** date as April 8, 2019, Malvern City Hall Council Chambers, 100 West 5th Street, 7 p.m., for approval of Ordinance 311, Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Malvern, Iowa, Section 92.02, by Amending Provisions Pertaining to **Water Rates** for Service. Shere seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor Blackburn introduced a discussion on **going green** with Council iPads. Shere requested paper copies of financials rather than email attachments. A Council Chambers video presentation system was briefly discussed.

Shere motioned to approve Block Party Application – **Saturday Night Market Series**: June 1 – August 3 in Heritage Park, MABA, per Zack Jones. Androy seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

A discussion was held to avoid extra financing to **pay interim financing interest** during Fiscal Years 20 and 21 for the Malvern City Water Treatment Plant Project. PeopleService back collection proposal for sewer and water was denied with a motion by Androy to raise the proposed base water rate to \$33, with \$7/over 1,000 gallons as planned, for July, to keep financials in sync with the Malvern City Water Treatment Plant Project. Any shortage to pay interest in the timely manner will come from LOST revenues. Shere seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

Shere motioned to approve a plan to save for a new roof for the Malvern Liberty Memorial Building by pursuing the **Memorial Building Voted Permissible Tax Levy** at a rate of .81/\$1,000. McGann seconded. All ayes; motion carried.

PROJECT/MEETING UPDATE: SESQUICENTENNIAL – June 28-29. P&Z COMMISSION – Recommendations to update Malvern Zoning Ordinances @ February 20/March 13/April 10 meetings. 5-2-1-0 WALKING AUDIT, July 8, 2019 – to propose walking areas for need of improvements and future planning.

NUISANCE DISTRICT UPDATES: February 12 – March 11, 2019. No nuisance matters were discussed.

There were no **NON-AGENDA COMMENTS**. Androy motioned to **adjourn**. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Michael K. Blackburn, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary Poort, City Clerk