

MALVERN CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Malvern City Hall – 100 W 5th Street

The April 26, 2022 regular meeting of the Malvern City Council was **called to order** by Mayor Shere at 7:10 p.m. Council members present were Androy, Johnson, Lidgett, and West. Also in attendance were Joe George, Monte West, Kirk Anderson, Dave Hoose, John McCurdy, Phil Richter of SWIPCO, Leslie Wright, Brian West, Nicole West, and Rhett and Mindy Goy. Rhett and Mindy Goy with Nishna Insurance Agency presented a renewal for the City's insurance policy with EMC Insurance. Leslie Wright with SWIPCO was also presented an application for the Iowa Economic Development Authority's CBDG-CV funding for a proposed safe route to school project. This application would be in coordination with the developers of the 11th Street subdivision project and the maximum application amount would be \$500,000. Androy motioned to approve the **Consent Agenda** consisting of the April 26, 2022 tentative Council meeting agenda and April 11, 2022 Council meeting minutes. Seconded by Lidgett. All ayes; motion carried.

Old Business: Two bids were received to remove trees in the public right-of-way at 207 E 5th Street and 502 E 7th Street. Green Tree Company bid \$3,300 to remove the two trees and grind the stumps. Delevan Tree Service bid \$1,200 for one tree with no stump grinding. Androy motioned to accept Green Tree Company's bid for \$3,300 for tree removal and stump grinding. Seconded by Lidgett. Androy, Lidgett, and West voted aye with Johnson abstaining; motion carried. Discussion was held on street repair projects for the summer of 2022. Androy motioned to approve overlaying asphalt on W 6th Street from Main Street to 2nd Avenue and Lincoln Avenue from 5th Street to 7th Street for a total of \$105,000. Seconded by West. All ayes; motion carried.

New Business: Mayor Shere called the public hearing to order regarding application for community development block grant COVID funding for a safe route to school project at 7:42 p.m. Notice of the public hearing was published in the Malvern Leader on April 14, 2022 and City Hall had not received any public comment. No visitors were present to provide objections, statements, or exhibits for Council consideration. Mayor Shere adjourned the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. Johnson motioned to approve **Resolution 2022-11** approving the adoption of the Iowa Economic Development Authority's duplication of benefits policies and procedures. Seconded by West. All ayes; motion carried. Johnson motioned to approve the City's insurance policy renewal through Nishna Insurance Agency. Seconded by Lidgett. All ayes; motion carried. Discussion was held on the International Property Maintenance Code. Lidgett motioned to draft an ordinance change that included the City's coverage of the first re-inspection fee on rental units, limiting the inspections to a maximum of 5 properties per year per owner, and the formation of a review board to address owner concerns as a result of rental inspections. Seconded by Androy. All ayes; motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Lidgett motioned to approve a mayoral proclamation regarding Arbor Day 2022. Seconded by Johnson. All ayes; motion carried. West motioned to extend an offer of employment to Hunter Wray for the seasonal Street Department employee at \$13 per hour. Seconded by Lidgett. All ayes; motion carried. Discussion was held on the make-up of a hiring

committee related to the vacant street laborer position. Hoose, Shere, and Johnson will interview applicants based on Council's recommendations.

Project/Meeting Updates: No updated provided on the FEMA Flooded Roads project. Discussion was held on the repeater tower completion at the water treatment plant. Androy motioned to approve JEO invoice #132209 in the amount of \$2,337.50. Seconded by Johnson. All ayes; motion carried. A bid was received to replace the two tornado sirens in the amount of \$51,179.76. George will submit a notice of intent to apply for grant funding through Iowa Department of Homeland Security. No update was provided on a GO bond for fire truck purchase.

Nuisance District Updates: No update was provided on nuisance properties. George submitted 90 5th Avenue and 102 6th Avenue to the Keith Tucker to begin the abandonment process.

West motioned to **adjourn** the meeting at 9:05 p.m. Seconded by Androy. All ayes; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Joe George, City Clerk

Douglas Shere, Mayor