

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

The January 9, 2023, regular meeting of the Malvern City Council was **called to order** by Mayor Douglas Shere at 7:00 p.m. Council members present were Chris Androy, Bruce Breeding, Roger Johnson, Amber Lidgett, and Heather West. Also in attendance was Joe George, Thoren Wade, Brodyn Wray, Meagan Schnoor, Jennifer Henscheid, Linda Downey, Cheryl Stephens, John Blasingame, Lisa Formhals, Mary Beth Costello, Kathy Timm, Donna Miller, David Hoose, Jill Smith, and Kevin Willms. Mayor Shere recognized visitors seeking to address the Council. Meagan Schnoor was present on behalf of East Mills Child Care Solutions to request the City act as the applicant for a technical assistance grant through First Children’s Finance. No funds would be awarded with the grant. East Mills Child Care Solutions is unable to be the applicant because their 501(c)3 status has not been approved by the IRS yet. John Blasingame made a request to have a stop sign placed at the north side of the intersection located at Lambert and Lincoln Avenues. Breeding motioned to approve the **Consent Agenda** consisting of the January 9, 2023, tentative Council meeting agenda, December 27, 2022, Council meeting minutes, decision to place Malvern Library Board meeting minutes on file from December 6, 2022, decision to place Malvern Library Board meeting minutes on file from December 12, 2022, approval of Library Board expenditures for December 2022, decision to place Liberty Memorial Building Board meeting minutes on file from December 21, 2022, and approval of the Treasurer’s and Claims Reports for December 2022. Seconded by Androy. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Old Business: Androy motioned to **approve the Mayor’s recommendation to reappointment of Jill Smith to the Malvern Park Board for a 3-year term ending December 31, 2025.** Seconded by Breeding. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, and Lidgett voted aye with West voting nay; motion carried.

Departmental Reports: Street Superintendent Hoose provided a report for December 2022 consisting of response to snow events on December 14th, 15th, and 22nd, brush pile maintenance, and preparation of FY2024 departmental budget. Hoose also provided Council with a FY2024 budget request with an increase to purchase a new lawnmower. Park Board President Smith provided Council with the Board’s FY2024 Budget request with increases for lifeguard salaries and pool chemical. Library Director Formhals presented a budget amendment to repair a foundation wall at the library. Community members, library board members, and friends of the library board members were present to express their support for the library and the services it offers. Formhals also presented the Library’s FY2024 budget with increase for salaries, the additional of another part-time employee, and library materials.

New Business: Androy motioned to **approve application for First Children’s finance Rural Iowa Child Care Community Facilities Technical Assistance Grant on behalf of East Mills Child Care Solutions.** Seconded by Lidgett. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West

voted aye; motion carried. Johnson motioned to approve **Resolution 2023-01** authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into a joint and cooperative agreement for law enforcement services with Mills County. Seconded by West. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried. Androy motioned to approve **Resolution 2023-02** setting the time and place for a public hearing to consider the maximum tax levy for certain levies for fiscal year 2024 budget. Seconded by West. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Discussion was held on purchasing property from BNSF Railroad for \$10,000. Lidgett motioned to **approve the appointment of Alan Obermiller to Malvern Low Rent Housing agency for a term ending December 31, 2023**. Seconded by West. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried. Breeding motioned to **approve the appointment of David Brandom to Malvern Low Rent Housing agency for a term ending December 31, 2023**. Seconded by Androy. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried. Lidgett motioned to **approve the appointment of Linda Downey to Malvern Low Rent Housing agency for a term ending December 31, 2024**. Seconded by Breeding. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried. Johnson motioned to **approve the appointment of Greg Pierce to Malvern Low Rent Housing agency for a term ending December 31, 2024**. Seconded by Breeding. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried. Lidgett motioned to **approve the appointment of Cheryl Jones to Malvern Low Rent Housing agency for a term ending December 31, 2024**. Seconded by West. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried. Androy motioned to **approve the appointment of Roger Johnson as Mayor Pro Tempore for calendar year 2023 per Malvern Code of Ordinances 2-2-2**. Seconded by Breeding. Androy, Breeding, Lidgett, and West voted aye with Johnson voting abstaining; motion carried.

Project/Meeting Update: Iowa DNR has approved the water and sanitary sewer construction permits for the Wabash Landing Subdivision. Community Housing Solutions, LLC plans to begin construction of water, sanitary sewer, and street infrastructure when weather allows.

Mayor and Councilmember Comments Regarding Non-Agenda Items: An update on the purchase of a pumper truck from Bennington, NE Fire Department was requested. No information could be provided.

Lidgett motioned to **adjourn** the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Seconded by Androy. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Douglas Shere, Mayor

Joe George, City Clerk