

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

The April 25, 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 were Joe George, Hender Ortega, James Shannon, Bonnie Pierce, Mindy Goy, Jake Duggar, and Howard Peterson. Mayor Shere recognized visitors seeking to address the Council, Shannon and Ortega were present on behalf of Red Rhino Roofs and Solar to discuss the City's solar needs. Duggar with Maguire provided a brief overview of the City's options for water tower maintenance agreements. Goy provided a review of the City's 2023 insurance policy with a premium totaling \$82,316.44. Pierce was present to request the City's consideration of membership to the Malvern Area Betterment Association in the amount of \$250.00. Johnson motioned to approve the **Consent Agenda** consisting of the April 25, 2023 tentative Council meeting agenda, April 10, 2023 Council meeting minutes, and decision to place Malvern Park Board meeting minutes on file from April 4, 2023. Seconded by West. Johnson, Lidgett, Breeding, Androy, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Departmental Reports: PeopleService Superintendent provided a water/sewer report for March/April 2023 consisting of water pressure loss at Fairview Hills Subdivision, a sinkhole at the corner of E 9th Street and Marion Avenue, pre-draw sampling at the wastewater lagoon, and Midwest Assistance Program water system GIS mapping. Discussion was held on filter 3 at the water treatment plant. Kurita has been on site to perform diagnostics. Androy motioned to **approve a quote from Flo-Systems to install a new monitoring system on the lift station in East Ridge Subdivision**. Seconded by Breeding. Androy, Johnson, Breeding, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried.

New Business: Bids were considered for the 2023 Water Meter Improvements Project. One bid was received from Vanguard Utility Service, Inc. in the amount of \$117,262.50. Androy motioned to approve **Resolution 2023-13** awarding contract for the 2023 Water Meter Improvements Project. Seconded by Lidgett. West, Breeding, Androy, Johnson, and Lidgett voted aye; motion carried. Johnson motioned to **table discussion on the water tower maintenance service agreement with Maguire until December 2023**. Seconded by West. Breeding, Lidgett, Johnson, West, and Androy voted aye; motion carried. Johnson motioned to **approve the City's policy renewal with EMC Insurance for 2023 in the amount of \$82,316.44**. Seconded by West. Lidgett, Androy, Breeding, Johnson, and West voted aye; motion carried. Androy motioned to **approve a service agreement with Southwest Iowa Planning Council for a Community Facilities Community Development Block Grant**. Seconded by Lidgett. Breeding, Lidgett, Androy, Johnson, and West voted aye; motion carried. Lidgett motioned to **approve dues request for MABA in the amount of \$250.00**. Seconded by West. West, Johnson, Breeding, Lidgett, and Androy voted aye; motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Lidgett motioned to approve Mayor Shere's recommendation to **appoint Mitch Worcester to the Malvern Park Board to fill a vacant seat for a term ending December 31, 2023.** Seconded by Johnson. Johnson, Androy, Lidgett, West, and Breeding voted aye; motion carried. West motioned to approve Mayor Shere's recommendation to **appoint Caroline Obermiller to the Malvern Library Board to fill a vacant seat for a term ending June 30, 2023.** Seconded by Lidgett. Johnson, Lidgett, Breeding, Androy, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Project/Meeting Updates: A preconstruction meeting has been scheduled for the Wabash Landing Subdivision. Androy motioned to **approve JEO Consulting Group Invoice 140587 in the amount of \$1,750.00 for the 2023 Water Meter Improvements Project.** Seconded by Lidgett. Androy, Breeding, Johnson, Lidgett, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Clerk's Report: An update was provided on the April hail storm consisting of issuance of peddler's permits, citizen use of the storm shelter, and damages to City property.

Mayor and Councilmember Comments Regarding Non-Agenda Items: A request has been filed to place a trash can at Chantry Park. Concerns were raised regarding junk and junk vehicles accumulating at 709 3rd Avenue. Discussion was held regarding the meeting between the City of Malvern, Mills County, and East Mills Community School District.

Lidgett motioned to **adjourn** the meeting at 8:51 p.m. Seconded by Johnson. Androy, Lidgett, Johnson, West, and Breeding voted aye; meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

Joe George, City Clerk

Douglas Shere, Mayor