

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

The August 7, 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, and Heather West. Also in attendance were Jill Smith, Joe George, Kate McGann, and Meagan Schnoor. Mayor Shere recognized visitors seeking to address the Council. McGann and Schnoor were present of behalf of East Mills Child Care Solutions to request a financial contribution to the Lakin Foundation Child Development Center of East Mills. Bidding for construction is expected to begin in November 2023 or January 2024 depending on timing. Breeding motioned to approve the **Consent Agenda** consisting of the August 7, 2023 Council meeting agenda, July 10, 2023 Council meeting minutes, decision to place Malvern Public Library Board of Trustees meeting minutes on file from July 11, 2023, and approval of claims and treasurer's reports for July 2023. Seconded by West. Johnson, Breeding, Androy, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Departmental Reports: Street Superintendent Hoose provided a written report for July 2023 consisting of pothole patching, mowing city owned properties, cleaning the drainage ditch along W 5th Street, mosquito fogging, and various other tasks. Park Chairperson Smith provided a report consisting of pool closing on August 20, 2023, update on the July fishing contest, and discussion regarding renovation of the former concession stand at the pool. West motioned to approve **Resolution 2023-28**-setting wages for certain seasonal employees for fiscal year 2024. Seconded by Johnson. Androy, Johnson, Breeding, and West voted aye; motion carried.

Old Business: West motioned to approve a **proposal from JEO Consulting Group for water pressure investigative professional services**. Seconded by Breeding. West, Breeding, Androy, and Johnson voted aye.

New Business: Discussion was held on Waste Connection recycling services. The City received 155 responses with 105 voting yes to offering City wide recycling services and 55 voting no. A public hearing will be scheduled for August 29th to encourage additional public comment. Discussion was held on a citizen request to repair an alley entrance adjacent to 710 Prospect Avenue. Council directed Street Superintendent Hoose to create a list of alley entrances that need to be replaced to have multiple repaired at one time. Androy motioned to **table discussion until August 29, 2023**. Seconded by West. West, Breeding, Androy, and Johnson voted aye; motion carried. Androy motioned to **begin requesting bids for a storm sewer extension on Grandview Avenue**. Seconded by Breeding. Breeding, Johnson, West, and Androy voted aye; motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Discussion was held on potential funding for East Mills Child Care Solutions. Council directed City Clerk to prepare a report on what funding sources would be available to

provide a potential financial contribution for the Lakin Foundation Child Development Center of East Mills.

Clerk's Report: West motioned to approve **City Clerk to attend Iowa Rural Health Association's "Count Me In" Conference on October 18, 2023.** Seconded by Breeding. Breeding, Androy, Johnson, and West voted aye; motion carried. Discussion was held on the amount of time spent on the Malvern Cemetery since taking over records maintenance and plot sales.

Project/Meeting Updates: City Clerk provided an update on the Wabash Landing Subdivision project including installation of sewer line and an infrastructure monitoring meeting. The Prospect Avenue Townhomes project is delayed until a stormwater management plan is approved by Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship. A delay in receiving the radio read component for the water meters has resulted in an overall project delay. The project is estimated to begin in mid-October 2023. The City is preparing an application for loan funding for the UV sanitation project at the wastewater lagoons.

Mayor and Councilmember Comments Regarding Non-Agenda Items: Discussion was held on potentially holding town hall style question and answer sessions regarding requested topics of discussion.

Breeding motioned to **adjourn** the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Seconded by Johnson. Androy, Johnson, West, and Breeding voted aye; motion carried.

ATTEST:

Joe George, City Clerk

Douglas Shere, Mayor